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To: Alan.Tabachnick@stb.gov

Re: AB 167 (Sub-no. 1189X) Harsimus Branch Abandonment

Hi Alan,

I am on vacation and unable to make extensive comments in the review period specified, although I did make verbal comments to the STB OEA on June 8.

Please record the following as an environmental comment in the Section 106 review underway for the Harsimus Branch.

The current draft of the Memorandum of Agreement is not an agreement, and it doesn't provide any mitigation to adverse effects that will result from the loss of federal jurisdiction over the Harsimus Branch.

Please involve the consulting parties in considering ways to "avoid, minimize, and mitigate" adverse effects.

Please also inform the public about this process, because many residents of our area do not know that a decision made by the STB may put their properties in direct jeopardy, from the adverse effects of demolition and redevelopment.

Thank you,
Eric

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