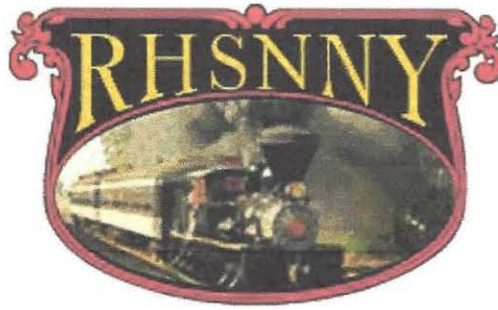




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RE: Docket 180 reply to letter written by Dyer & Peterson for Lowville Beaver River Railroad

Dear Surface Transportation Board

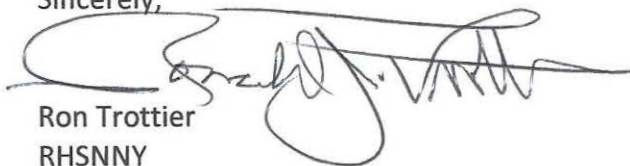
Please see the attached verification of eligibility for historic designation. The criteria for eligibility for inclusion in the National Register have been met in 2022. The Lowville and Beaver River Railroad Historic District is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns in our history.

The Lowville Beaver River Historic District includes all tracks; which is a structure. The railroad was built over 100 years ago. This includes trestles, bridges and culverts at Black River Flats, Black River Bridge (1905 Warren through Truss), Crystal Creek Bridge, Beaver River bridge and at least four culverts. This district also includes tracks, switches, signals and other components of rail infrastructure. **The turntable on the Croghan end is not exclusively owned by RHSNNY. Only 2/3 of it are owned by RHSNNY.** See attached.

The Lowville Beaver River Railroad does have historic value in its entire railroad infrastructure; from the Croghan Depot to the Lowville Depot. Any track removal does have a huge negative impact on this Historic District. Remember a district is different than just one place. It is what is in a district that makes it Historical because there is more than one component.

CC all on docket

Sincerely,



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