

April 8, 2024

Ms. Cynthia T. Brown, Chief Section of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
Office of Proceedings
395 E. Street SW
Room 1034
Washington, DC 20423

Re: Docket No. AB 180X- Lowville Beaver River Railroad

Dear Ms. Brown:

I am submitting some new information concerning the proposed abandonment of the Lowville Beaver River Railroad from Lowville to Croghan.

On the evening of February 18, 2024 a snowmobile operator and passenger operating on the Lowville Beaver River Railroad and fell down 15 'foot embankment and their snowmobile submerged in 5' feet of water on our private property. The snowmobilers had to swim out while breaking ice to reach the road for assistance. The snowmobile was retrieved the following day by the Croghan Dive Team. This type of trail is extremely narrow and dangerous with the bridges and trestles along this rail line. This happened in a Federal Wetlands Reserve (NCRS) wildlife preserve and water is standard most of the year. You will find pictures attached of the submerged snowmobile in 5' feet.

Please consider this incident when you are reviewing the abandonment proceedings.

Sincerely,
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