



**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**  
**Washington, DC 20423**

*Office of Environmental Analysis*

April 25, 2025

Title Name

Tribe

Address

By email at email

**RE: Docket No. FD 36833, Lampwrights LLC – Construction and Operation  
 Exemption – Line of Railroad in Elk and Jefferson Counties, Pennsylvania;  
 Preliminary Consultation**

Dear Name:

The purpose of this letter is to determine your Tribe's interest in formal government-to-government consultation with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) regarding the above-referenced proceeding. Lampwrights LLC (Lampwrights) is planning to seek authority from the Board to construct and operate a new rail line in Elk and Jefferson Counties, Pennsylvania (Project). The Project would involve construction of a new rail line from the O-I Crenshaw Glass Plant to the Superior Greentree Landfill. As part of its licensing process, the Board will conduct an environmental review of the Project under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321-4370m-11), and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 54 U.S.C. 306108 (NHPA). Pursuant to NEPA, NHPA, and the Board's environmental rules at 49 C.F.R. Part 1105, the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) will prepare an environmental document that evaluates the potential environmental and historic impacts of the Project.

OEA is requesting a response from your Tribe on whether your Tribe would be interested in consulting with OEA regarding the broader range of impacts assessed under NEPA, including those to tribal lands and resources. To assist you in responding, OEA has attached a comment card regarding any future involvement your Tribe may want in the overall NEPA process (see the Consultation Questionnaire in **Attachment 1**). I respectfully request that you complete the card and return it to Elizabeth Webster of my staff at your earliest convenience. Please note that OEA is also writing to the Tribe's cultural resources contact pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 54 U.S.C. 306108.

**Project Description**

Lampwrights proposes to construct and operate approximately 3.87 miles (20,427 feet) of new rail line that would begin at the end of an active Buffalo & Pittsburgh Railroad, Inc. (BPRR) line located at the O-I Crenshaw Glass Plant and terminate at the Superior Greentree Landfill, which is owned by Noble Environmental, LLC. The proposed rail line would be constructed on

a former railroad right-of-way, known as the Toby Branch. As part of the former Erie-Lackawanna Railroad, the Toby Branch previously served a coal mine. Lampwrights also intends to construct private industry track to receive waste at the Superior Greentree Landfill. The Project is located in Northwest Pennsylvania approximately 2 miles east of the Borough of Brockway and approximately 8 miles north of the City of DuBois, as shown on the map in **Attachment 2**.

Lampwrights has stated that the purpose of the Project would be to provide waste-by-rail to the Superior Greentree Landfill and to replace truck traffic with rail service. Over the last 20 to 25 years, the Superior Greentree Landfill has received much of its daily permitted volume from out-of-state waste originating from New York, Connecticut, and Massachusetts. Out-of-state shipments to the Superior Greentree Landfill must be shipped via trucks because the landfill lacks a direct rail connection.

Lampwrights preliminarily estimates that it would ship one in-bound train and one empty out-bound train per week. The planned trains would consist of hermetically sealed intermodal containers using 89-foot flat cars. The Superior Greentree Landfill would use a crane to move the sealed containers from the rail cars to trucks. The containers would then travel via truck within the landfill property to the final unloading facility. The total length of the trains would be approximately 6,675 feet and would be comprised of 75 cars. Lampwrights anticipates that BPRR would operate the proposed rail line.

#### **Contact Information**

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the Project in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact Elizabeth Webster at 202-360-0742 or by email at [elizabeth.webster@stb.gov](mailto:elizabeth.webster@stb.gov). We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Danielle Gosselin".

Danielle Gosselin

Director

Office of Environmental Analysis

Enclosures: Consultation Questionnaire  
Proposed Rail Line Location Map

## CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE

### TRIBE NAME

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*Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list below and use the back of this form or additional sheets if you wish to make comments:*

- ☐ We have no interest in the proposed project and no further consultation with our Tribe is required.
- ☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process for the environmental review.
- ☐ We have an interest in the proposed project and want to participate in government-to-government consultation with the Surface Transportation Board.

Name of the Tribe designated contact for the proposed project:

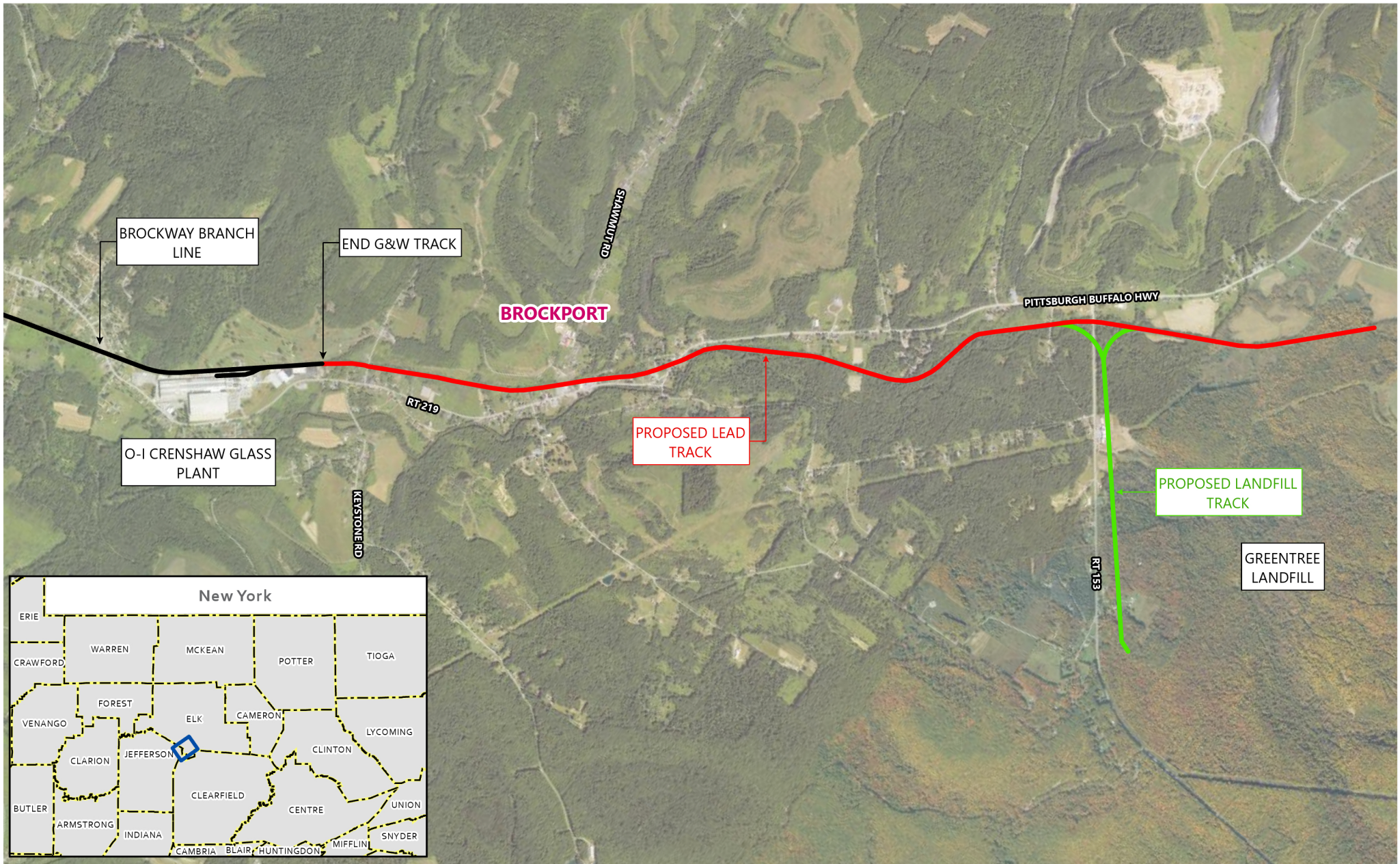
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### LAMPWRIGHTS PROJECT LOCATION

DOCKET NO. FD 36833  
ELK AND JEFFERSON COUNTIES, PA