

Surface Transportation Board, Office of Environmental Analysis**Section 106 Summary and Determination****Belvidere & Delaware River Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption –
In Hunterdon County, New Jersey****Project Description**

The Belvidere & Delaware River Railway Company (BDR) filed a notice of exemption with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) seeking to abandon a line of railroad in the Borough of Milford, Hunterdon County (Docket Number AB 1301X). The project involves the proposed abandonment of a section of rail line that extends approximately 3,288 feet from Alexandria Creek (Milepost 34.27) to a point 566.75 feet south of Milepost 35, at the southeastern end of the Borough of Milford (the Line). The northern end of the Line to be abandoned starts approximately 150' south of Walnut Street to its southern terminus at an unnamed tributary to the Delaware River, which also marks the municipal boundary of Milford (see attached location map). The railroad right-of-way (ROW) varies from approximately 66 feet to 75 feet at various locations (see attached detailed plat map).

The northern portion of the Line runs along the west side of Railroad Avenue, and across from #51 Railroad Avenue (vacant commercial structure owned by Milford Properties) and the Borough of Milford's sewage treatment plant. The southern portion of the Line runs through the former location of a large papermill complex that was demolished around 2019. According to BDR, there are no physical remnants of the Line present (no track, ties, or ballast), but two bridges remain intact. BDR confirmed in a letter dated April 13, 2026 that there would be no salvage activities associated with the abandonment, the bridges would remain in place and unchanged, and there would be no changes to the ROW. BDR stated that it intends to sell the Line to the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program to be used as part of a planned public park.

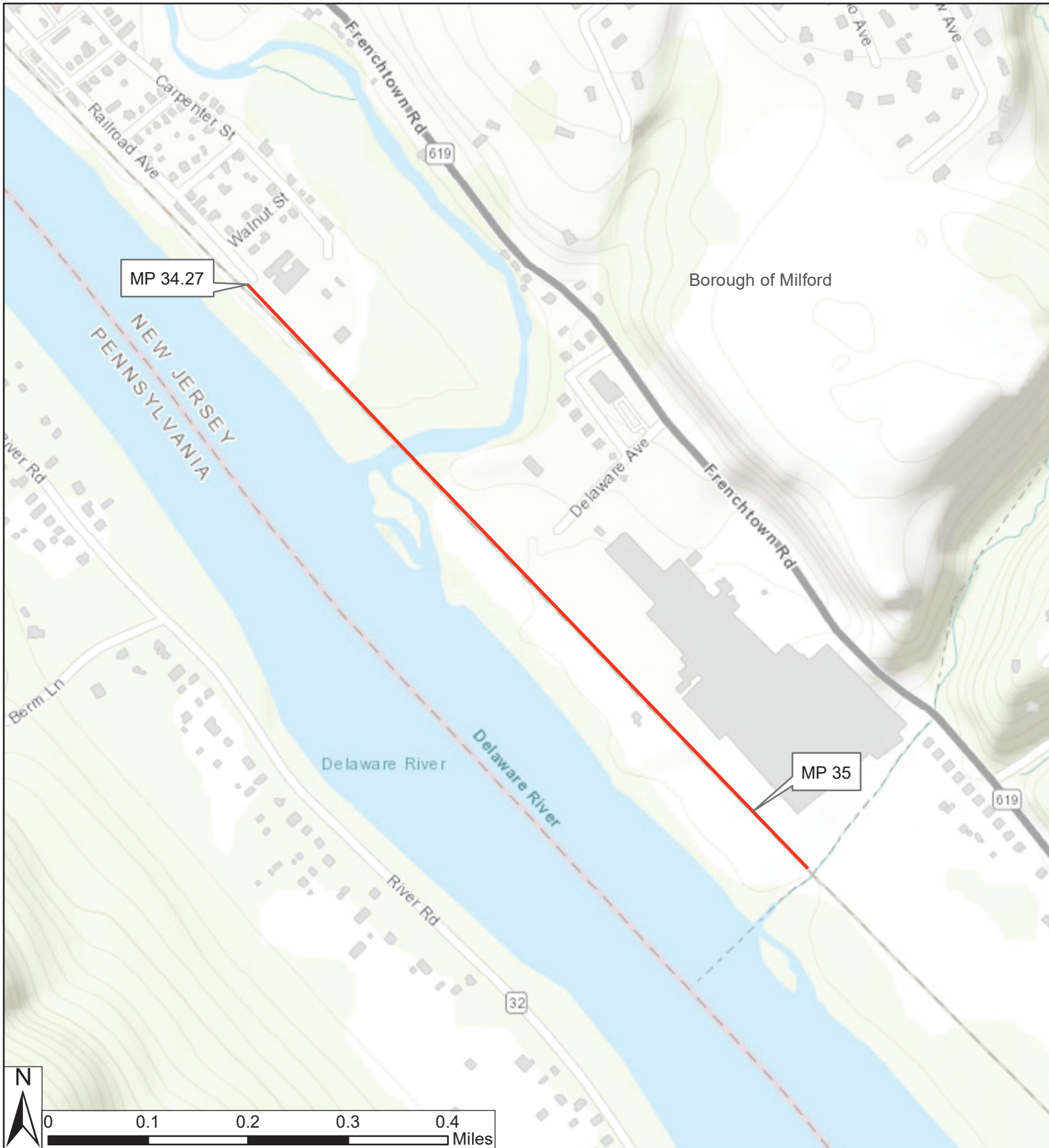
Identification and Historic Properties

For abandonment projects, the Area of Potential Effects (APE) is the ROW, including consideration of resources immediately adjacent to the ROW. The ROW has no physical remaining elements other than the two bridges (which will remain in place). The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) conducted background research for the abandonment, including an examination of SHPO's NJ CRGIS Online Viewer (LUCY), which revealed that the Line crosses through two historic properties. The Line is a contributing resource within the Milford Historic District, which was determined eligible in 2012 and listed on the National Register in 2025. The Line also crosses through the location of the former Curtis Paper Mill

Historic District, which was determined eligible in 2003. However, the property was demolished, and the site cleared by 2020. No other resources are present within the ROW.

Determination of Effect

OEA has conducted background research on the known and potential historic properties in the vicinity of the Line to be abandoned and evaluated the potential effects of the abandonment on the historic properties. Because there are no physical remains of the railroad extant other than the two bridges, and there would be no salvage activities, nor any changes to the two bridges on the Line, OEA has determined that the abandonment would have No Adverse Effect on historic properties. The abandonment of the Line would not change any of the character-defining elements of the listed Milford Historic District. The eligible Curtis Paper Mill Historic District has been demolished and currently consists of vacant open land.



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Legend

— the Line

Note: Maps produced by the STB's
Office of Environmental Analysis
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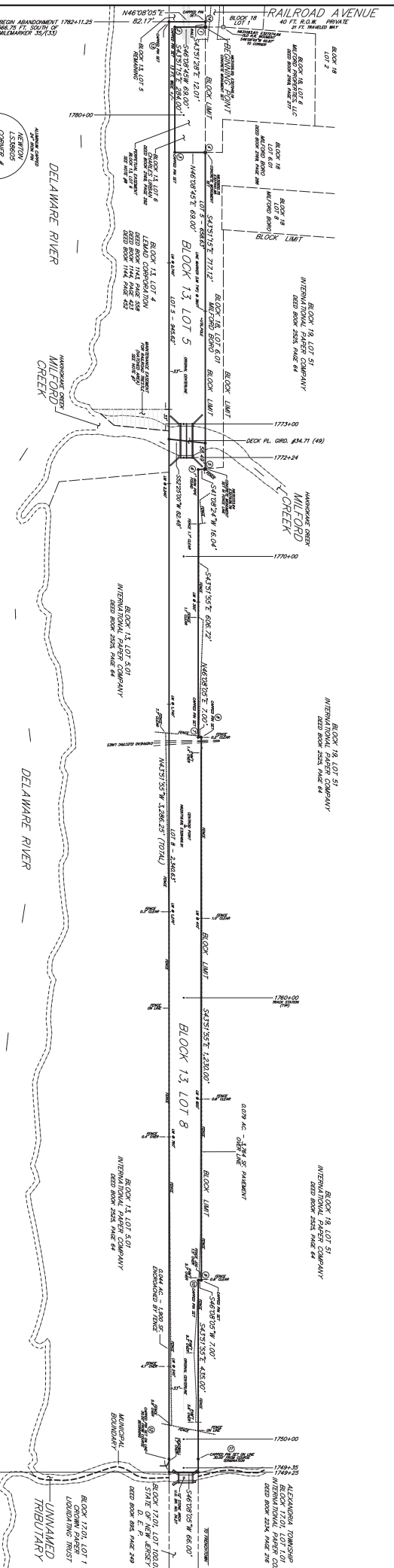


Hunterdon County



New Jersey

MILFORD BOROUGH TAX MAP: SHEETS 7, 10 & 12, BLOCK 13, PORTION LOT 5 & LOT 8



LOT ACREAGE SUMMARY

BLOCK 13, LOT 5 EX. TOTAL	3.408 AC. - 148,494 S.F.
- BLOCK 13, LOT 5 PARCEL	1.340 AC. - 58,391 S.F.

BLOCK 13, LOT 5 REMAINING 2.068 AC. - 90,103 S.F.

BLOCK 13, LOT 5 PARCEL 1.340 AC. - 58,391 S.F.
+ BLOCK 13, LOT 8 3.761 AC. - 163,812 S.F.

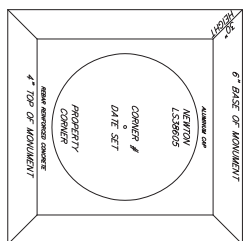
TOTAL AREA 5.101 AC. - 222,203 S.F.

ABANDONED AREA
LOT 8 AND LOT 5 PORTION 5.551 AC. - 241,799 SF.

ABANDONED AREA

VICINITY MAP
MILFORD, N.J. QUADRANGLE

SCALE 1 IN. = 160



GROUND COORDINATES TABLE

#	MANNER TYPE	COORDINATES GROUND	COORDINATES GRID	GEODESIC COORDINATES
1.	CONCRETE MONUMENT	E.7206.19 E.7206.19	N.6706.47 E.7206.47	L.67° 05' 36.29" L.72° 06' 19.36"
2.	CHIPPED PIN	N.6706.25 E.7206.25	N.6706.25 E.7206.25	L.67° 05' 36.29" L.72° 06' 19.36"
3.	CHIPPED PIN	N.6706.25 E.7206.25	N.6706.27 E.7206.27	L.67° 05' 36.42" L.72° 06' 19.38"
4.	CONCRETE MONUMENT	N.6706.25 E.7206.25	N.6703.29 E.7206.28	L.67° 05' 36.42" L.72° 03' 27.60"
5.	CONCRETE MONUMENT	N.6703.29 E.7206.28	N.6703.29 E.7206.28	L.67° 05' 36.42" L.72° 03' 27.60"
6.	IRON PIPE	N.6703.29 E.7206.28	N.6703.29 E.7206.28	L.67° 05' 36.42" L.72° 03' 27.60"
7.	CHIPPED PIN	N.6706.44 E.7206.44	N.6706.44 E.7206.44	L.67° 05' 36.29" L.72° 06' 19.36"
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LEGEND OF ACQUISITION

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REFERENCES

A. TAX MAP SHEETS #7, #10 & #12 OF THE MILFORD BOROUGH TAX MAP.
 B. TAX MAP SHEET #15 OF THE ALBIONIA TOWNSHIP TAX MAP.
 C. MAP ENTITLED, "SURVEY OF A PORTION OF LOT 6, BLOCK 13, BOROUGH OF MILFORD, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY", DATED FEBRUARY 11, 2002, PREPARED BY GEORGE A. SMITH, P.L.S.
 D. MAP ENTITLED, "MURDER SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 13, LOT 6, BOROUGH OF MILFORD, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY", DATED FEBRUARY 1, 2002, PREPARED BY GEORGE A. SMITH, P.L.S.

