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FW: [External] RE: Consultation Request - Docket No. FD 36873, Union Pacific Acquisition of Norfolk Southern

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Please see the attached comment letter.

Respectfully,

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From: UP NS Merger <upnsmergereis@vhb.com>
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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] Consultation Request - Docket No. FD 36873, Union Pacific Acquisition of Norfolk Southern

Hello Joshua Frost,

This email is to inform you about a proposed railroad acquisition that may impact resources in your community or under your jurisdiction. Union Pacific Railroad Company is seeking authority from the Surface Transportation Board (Board) to acquire Norfolk Southern Railway Company (the Transaction).

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis is requesting preliminary comments on the Transaction. Please click this link https://www.stb.gov/upns-eis-fd36873/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/UP-NS-Agency-Preliminary-Consultation-Letter.pdf for a letter that provides information about the Transaction and how to submit environmental comments.

Sincerely,



Danielle Gosselin
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board

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SUBJECT: LRN-2026-00644, Union Pacific Railroad Company, Surface Transportation Board (Docket No. FD 36873), Various Locations, Tennessee

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To Whom it May Concern:

This is in response to your August 19, 2026, request for our comments regarding the subject project. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has regulatory responsibilities pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403) and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344). Under Section 10, the USACE regulates all work in, or affecting, navigable waters of the U.S. Under Section 404, the USACE regulates the discharge of dredged and/or fill material into waters of the U.S. (33 CFR Part 328).

A review of the information provided indicates the subject activity may involve work in wetlands/waters of the U.S.; therefore, a Department of the Army permit may be required.

We understand the project may not have specific design plans at this time, and this inquiry is part of initial outreach. Please include impacts to waters of the U.S. in your review and obtain a permit prior to any disturbance to streams and/or wetlands that may occur due to project construction. An application may be submitted at any time.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Abigail Bobbette McFall at the above address or telephone (615) 369-7500. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this proposed project.

Sincerely,

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