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I wish to state in the strongest possible terms my opposition to proposed rule change EP 753 for the indefinite extension of NITU's. This change would effectively rob property owners of their reversionary rights on railroad abandonments. It's language, "shown for good reason", is way too vague. A defined period for extensions, be they 180 days or one year, is the appropriate stipulation versus this open ended criterion. The purpose of extensions should be to allow jurisdictions to "get their act together" on rails to trails conversions, not drag them out indefinitely.