



Re: Fw: NGS Response, STB Docket AB-290 (SUB NO. 346X) 
Joshua Wayland to: RWimbish

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Hi Rob,

Thank you for passing this along. Since the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) has responded, OEA will be able to remove the consultation condition in the Final EA. As you know, when geodetic station markers are present in the project area, OEA typically recommends a condition requiring the railroad to notify NGS if salvage activities are likely to disturb or destroy the station markers. Based on the information you have provided, it seems unlikely that salvage would affect the two geodetic station markers, so NSR would not have to take any further action with regard to geodetic station markers.

Best regards,

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[Josh - I apologize for not sending this to you soo...](#)

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Josh -

I apologize for not sending this to you sooner, but, as may be relevant to the above-referenced proceeding, below is emailed input from the National Geodetic Survey.

I don't know that this has much bearing on the recommended salvage conditions, as this merely confirms the presence of two geodetic station markers.

It is extremely unlikely that salvage activity would have any impact whatsoever to the two station markers in question because -- (1) the station markers are almost never close enough to the tracks to be threatened; and (2) track salvage activity usually does not involve any significant ground disturbance, and thus does not threaten harm to any station markers, assuming they truly are that nearby in the first place.

- Rob

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2 NGS markers at Schererville 346X.

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Thank you for sharing your railroad abandonment environmental report for
SCHERERVILLE, Lake County, INDIANA.

Approximately 02 geodetic survey marks may be located in the area described.
These marks may or may not be disturbed.

If marks will be disturbed by the abandonment, [THE RAILROAD] shall
consult with the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) at least 90 days prior to

beginning salvage activities that will disturb, or destroy any geodetic station

marks are described on the attached file. Additional advice is provided at

<http://geodesy.noaa.gov/marks/railroads/>

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