

**Railroad Abandonment in Botetourt County (DHR File No. 2013-1444)****Joshua Wayland** to: Andrea.kampinen

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Andrea,

I apologize for adding to your inbox in what I know is a busy month for you, but I wanted to make sure you have a copy of the results of the DHR archive search that Norfolk Southern sent me in the railroad abandonment in Botetourt County [STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 351X)]. It is in the attachment labelled EI-20418 and is also on the Surface Transportation Board website under the same Environmental Correspondence number. Based on my reading of the map on page 5, there do not appear to be any identified resources in the area of the abandonment, which is the northwesternmost portion (approximately 0.71 miles) of the yellow line. For comparison, I have also attached a larger scale map of the abandonment. These results (along with the previous analysis of the Roanoke Cement facility expansion in DHR File No. 2011-3603) is what led the Board to make a finding of no historic properties affected in this abandonment case. As I mentioned on the phone, however, the Board also imposed a condition that prevents the railroad from conducting any salvage until the Section 106 process is complete. This is to give you time to object to our finding if you have concerns. Finally, I have attached the Final Environmental Assessment for the case for your reference. I hope this is helpful; thanks as always for your time.



EI-20418.pdf Site Map (AB 290 351X).pdf Final Environmental Assessment (AB-290-351X).pdf

Best regards,

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