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May 18, 2018

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
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Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Ms. Linton-Peters,

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
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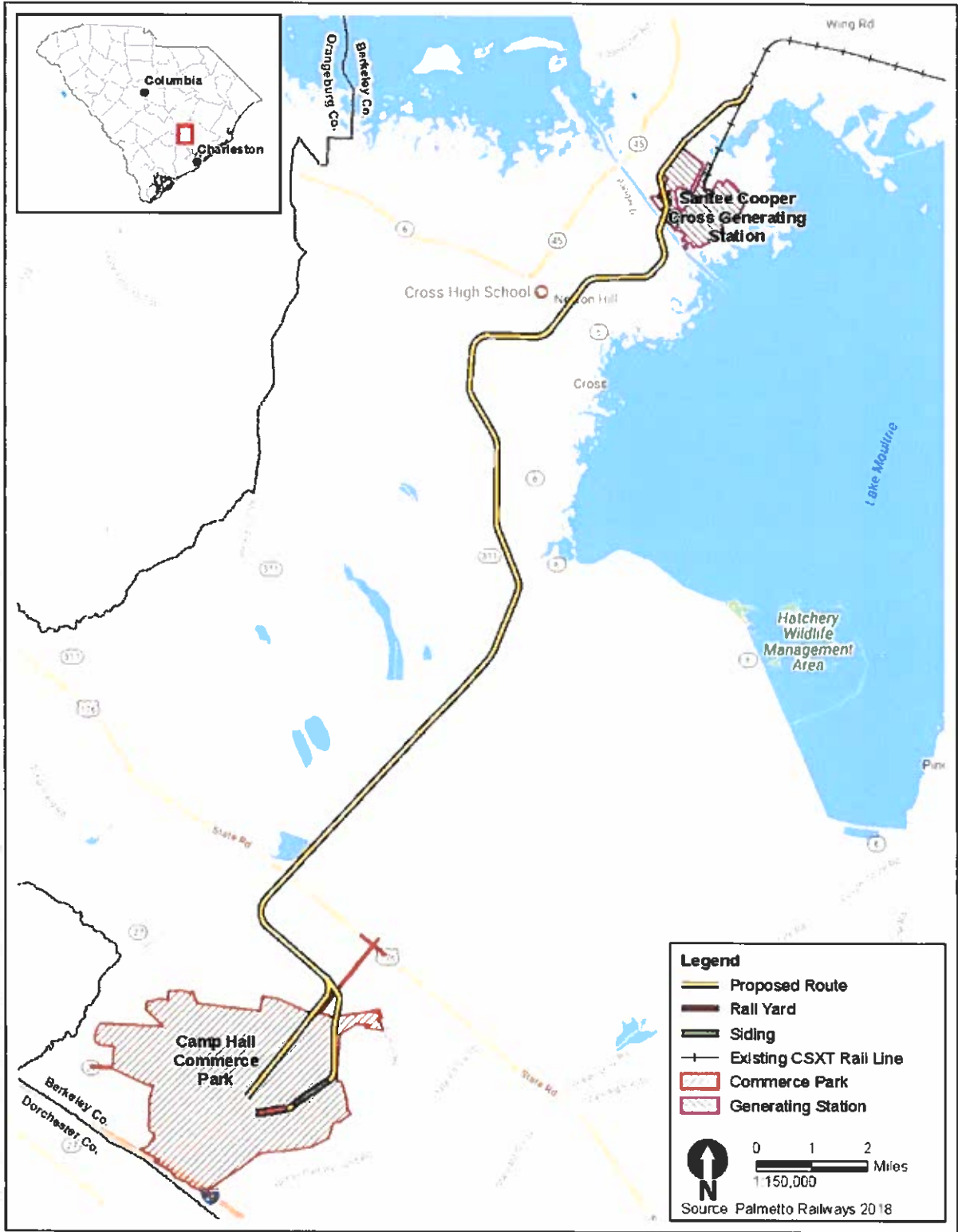
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

- ☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.
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- ☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.
- ☐ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

Please print

Name: _____

Phone: _____

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Signed: _____

Date: _____

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John Winkle
Federal Railroad Administration
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Atlanta, GA 30303

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Winkle,

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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John Winkle, Federal Railroad Administration

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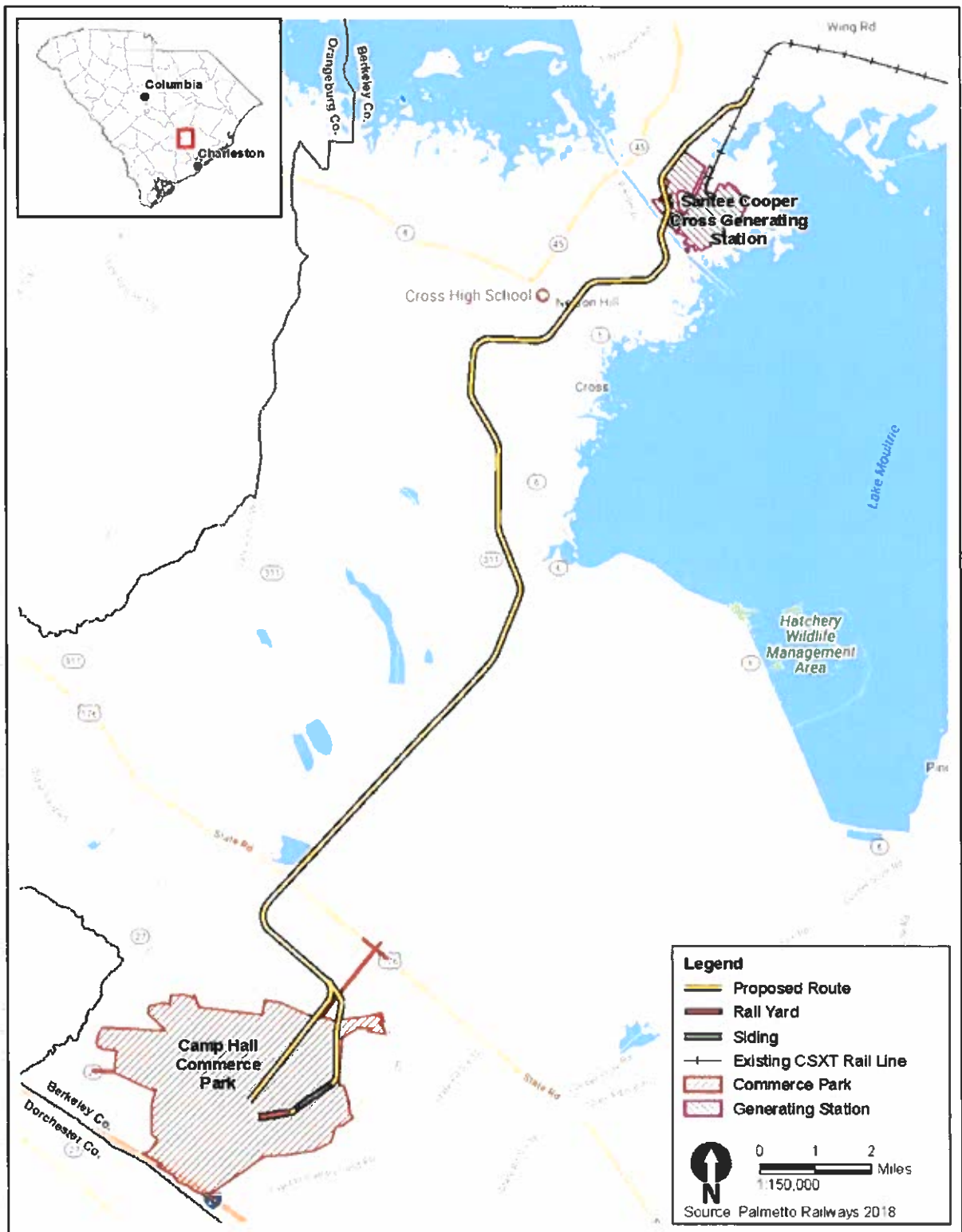
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CC: Marlys Osterhues, Chief of Environmental and Corridor Planning

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Marlys Osterhues
Federal Railroad Administration
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Washington, DC 20590

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Ms. Osterhues,

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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Marlys Osterhues, Federal Railroad Administration

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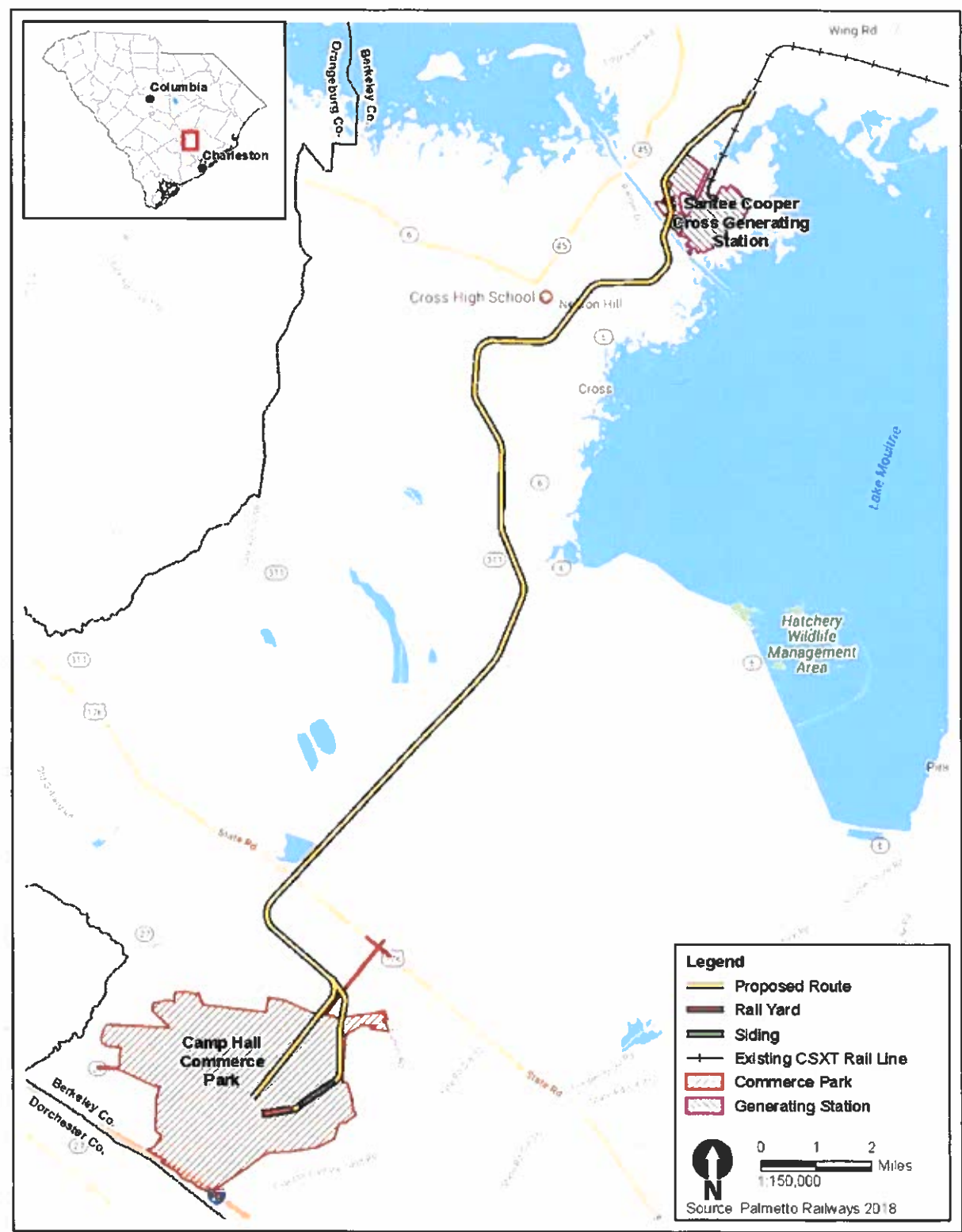
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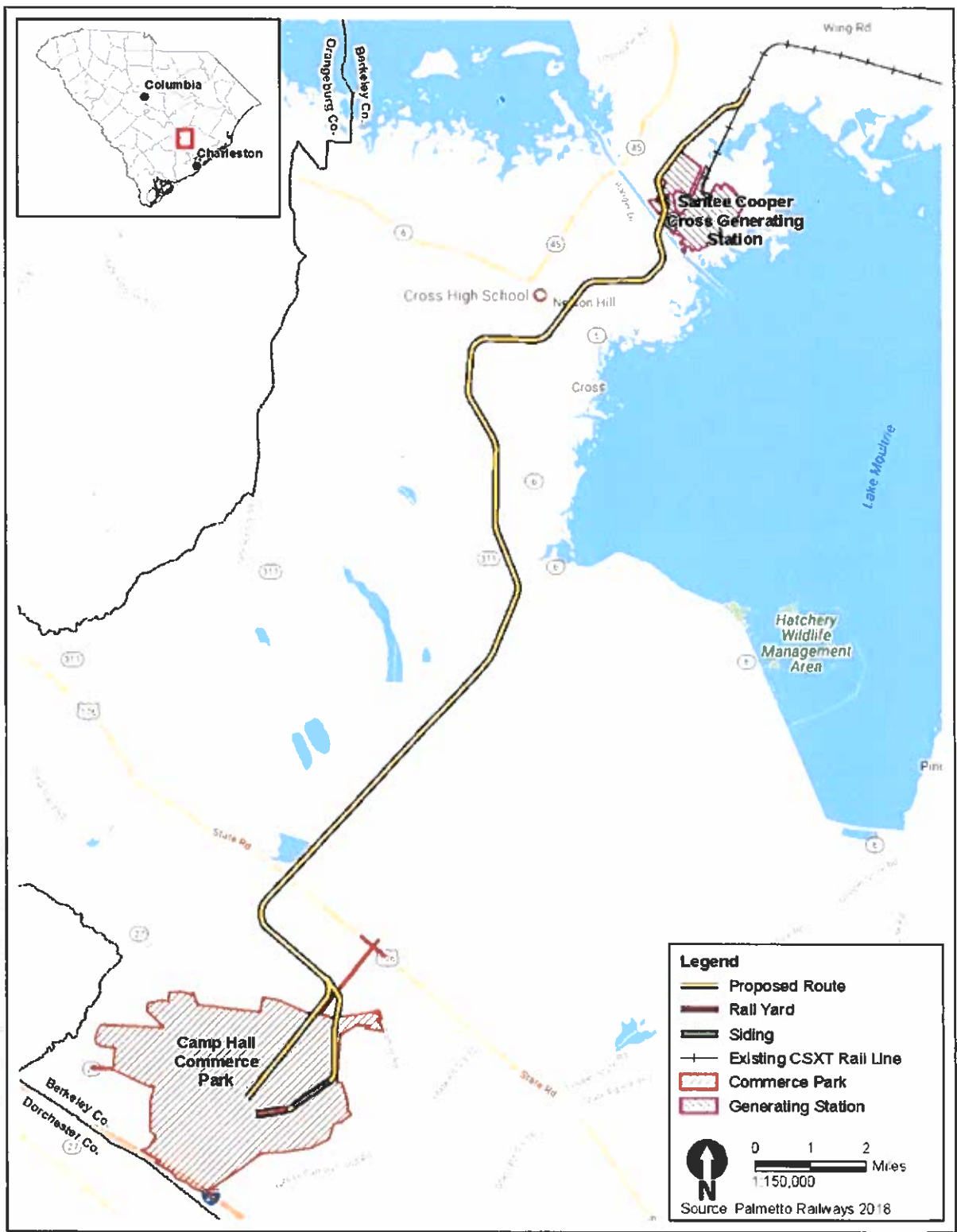
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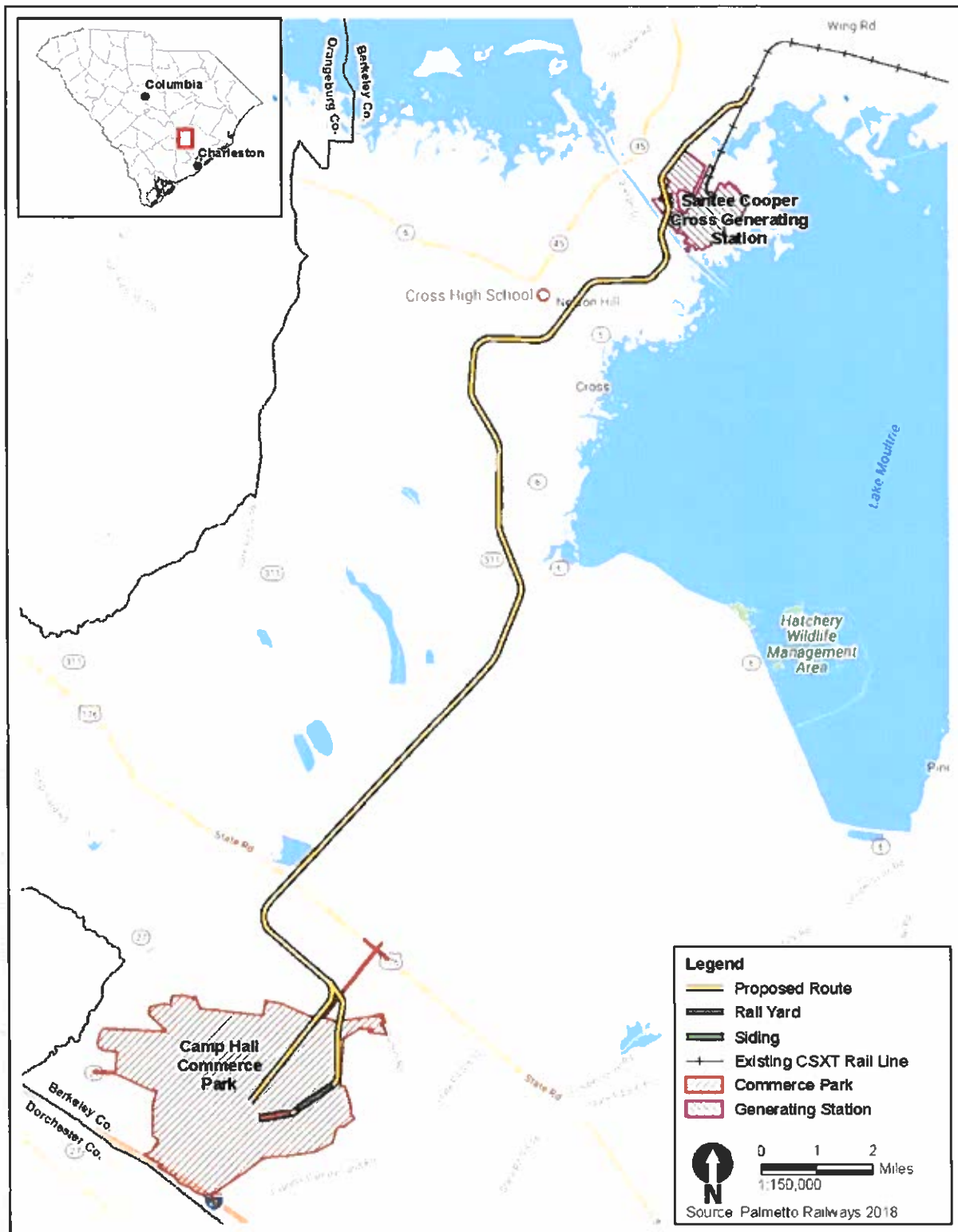
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Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Waugh,

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Gregg Waugh, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council

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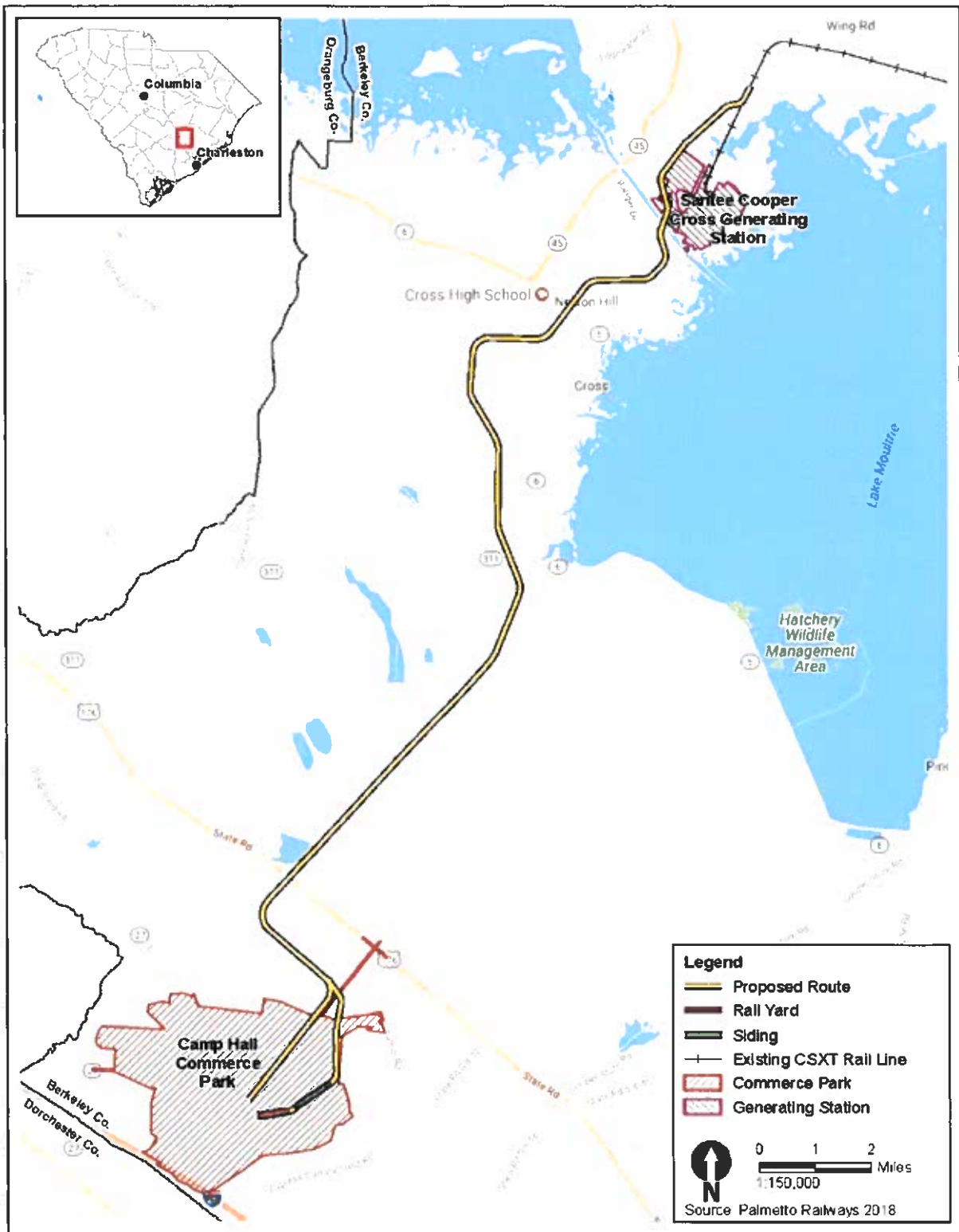
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Name of South Atlantic Fishery Management Council designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Dragon,

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Barry Dragon, U.S. Coast Guard

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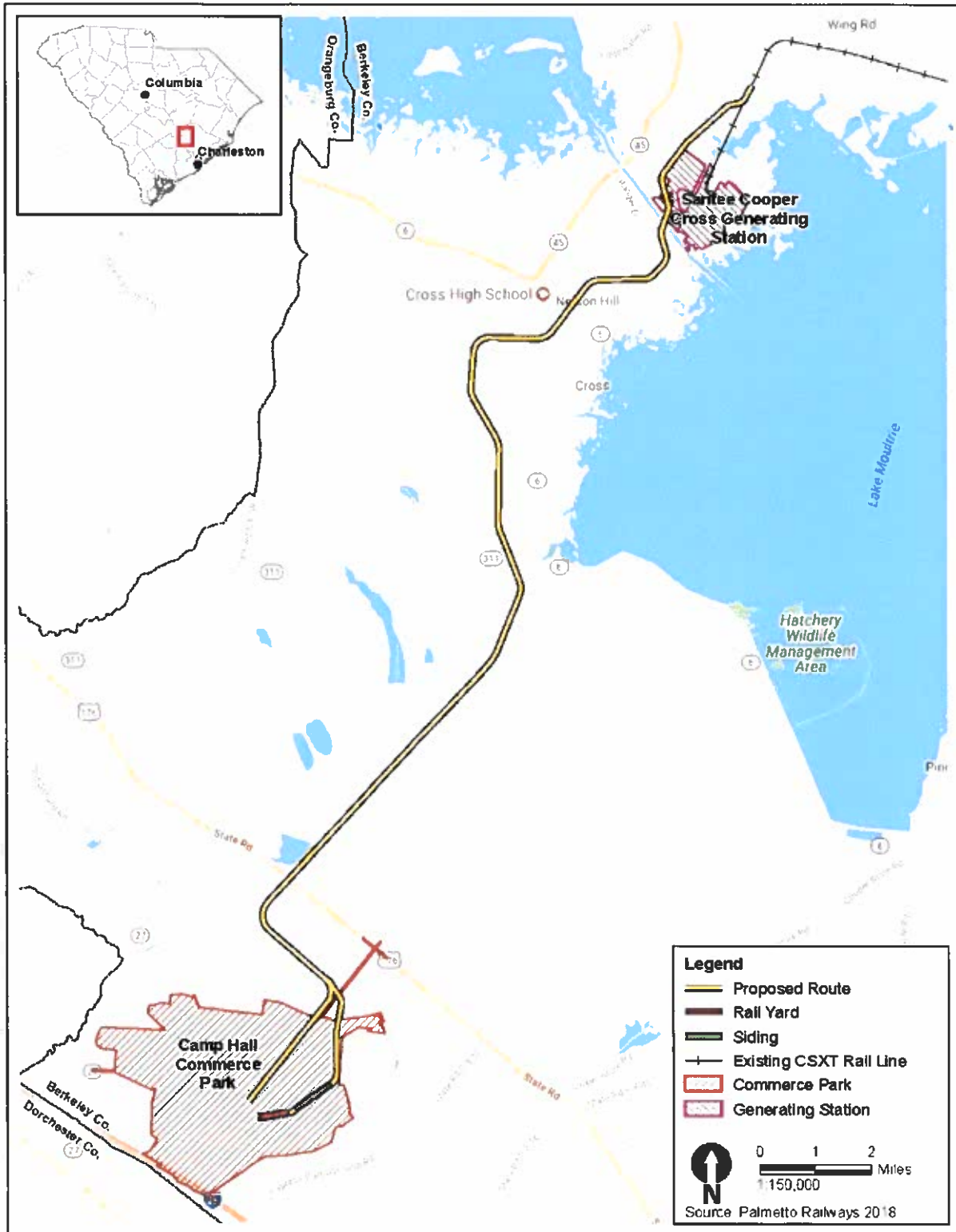
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The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Ann English, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

Sincerely,

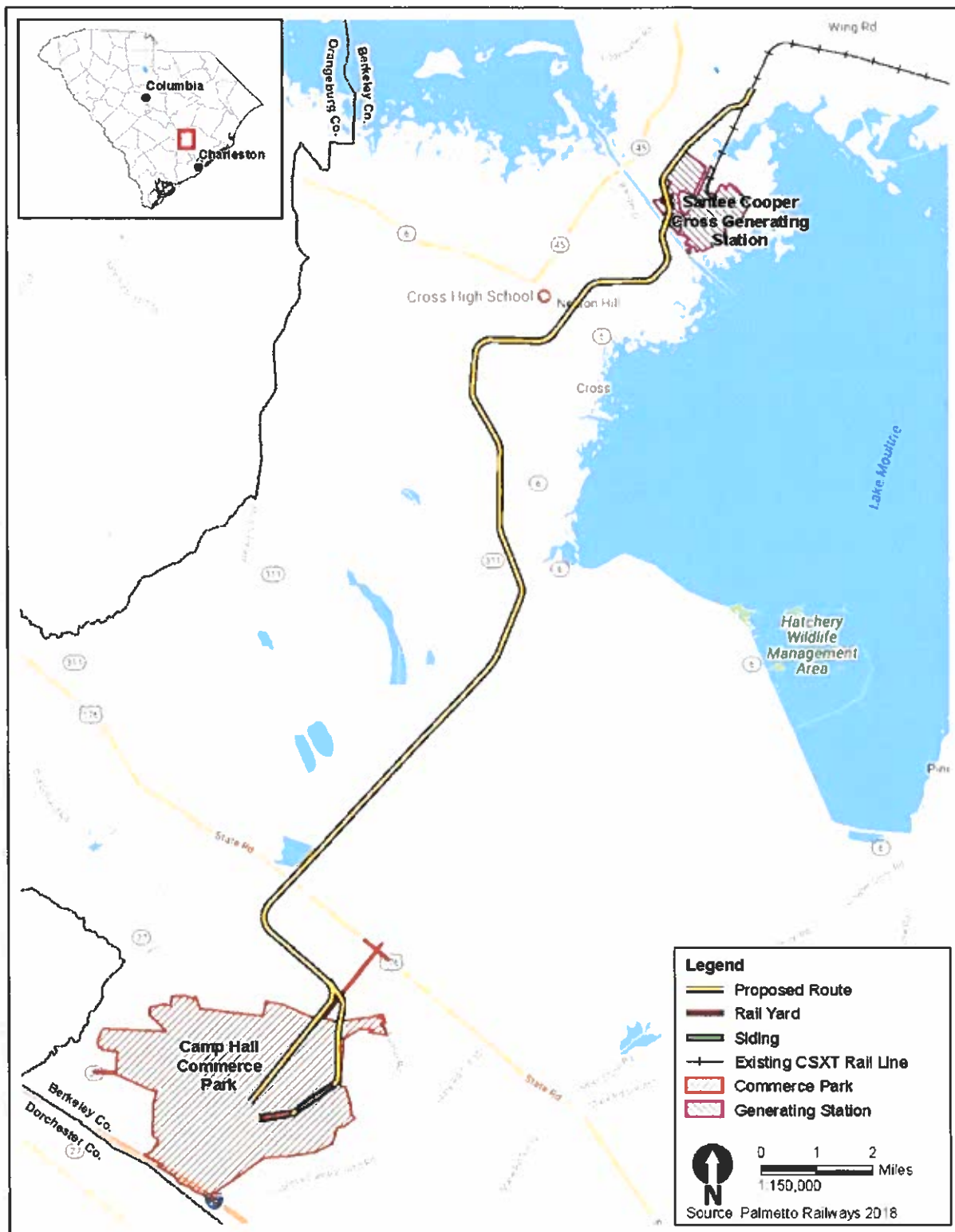
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

- ☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.
- ☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.
- ☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.
- ☐ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

Please print

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Christopher Militscher
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Ctr
61 Forsyth St, SW
Atlanta, GA 30303

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Militscher,

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Christopher Militscher, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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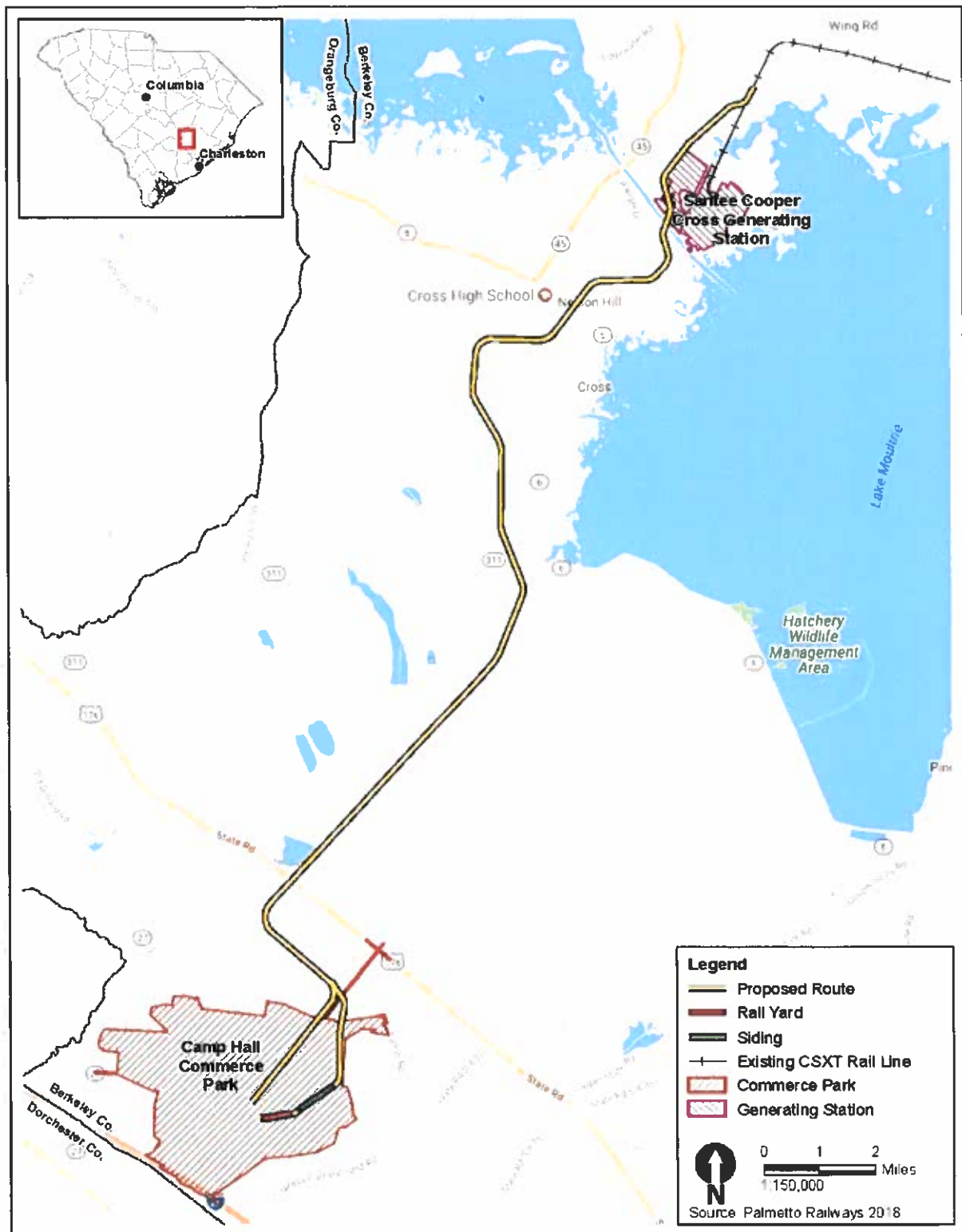
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

_____ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

_____ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

_____ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

_____ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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May 18, 2018

Tom McCoy
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
176 Croghan Spur Road
Suite 200
Charleston, SC 29407

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. McCoy,

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
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For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Tom McCoy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

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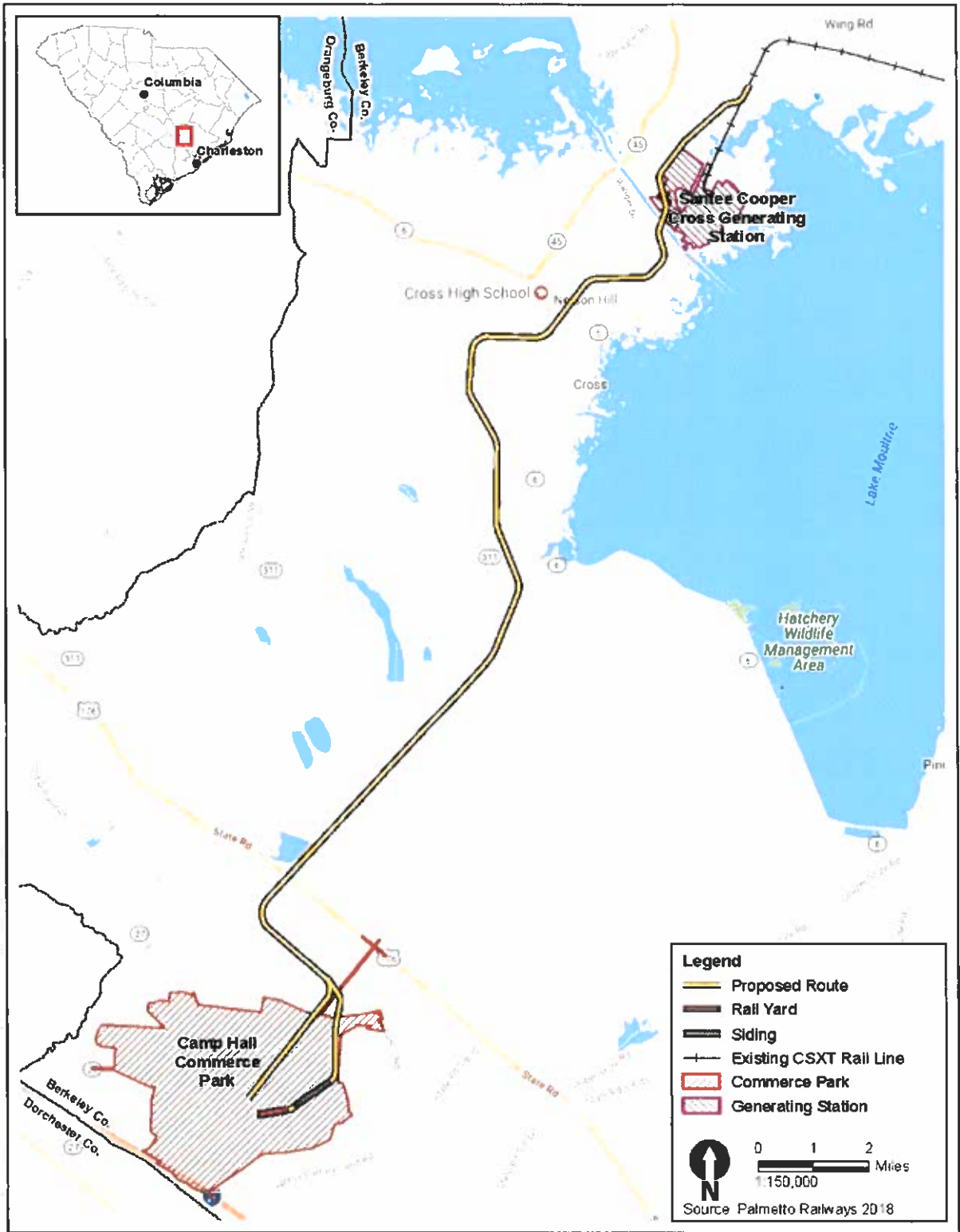
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

_____ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

_____ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

_____ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

_____ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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May 18, 2018

Jonathan Leader
USC/SC Institute of Archaeology & Anthropology
1321 Pendleton St
1st Floor, Suite 16
Columbia, SC 29208

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Leader,

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the USC/SC Institute of Archaeology & Anthropology is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Jonathan Leader, USC/SC Institute of Archaeology & Anthropology

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

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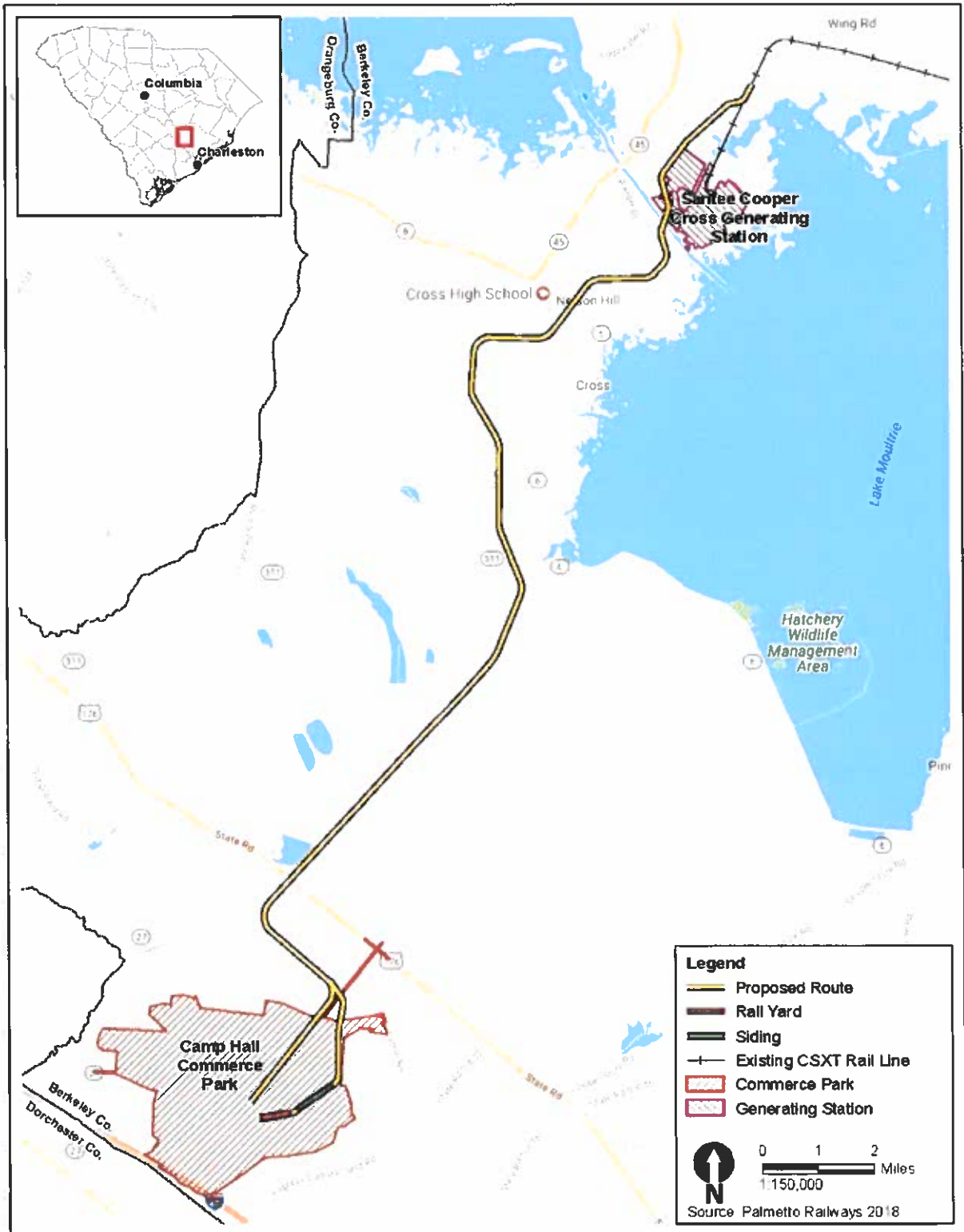
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Victoria Rutson
Director
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- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
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USC/SC Institute of Archaeology & Anthropology

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
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Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

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_____ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

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Name of USC/SC Institute of Archaeology & Anthropology designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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May 18, 2018

Bettye Shealy
President
Berkeley County Historical Society
P.O. Box 397
Saint Stephen, SC 29479

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Ms. Shealy:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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Bettye Shealy, Berkeley County Historical Society

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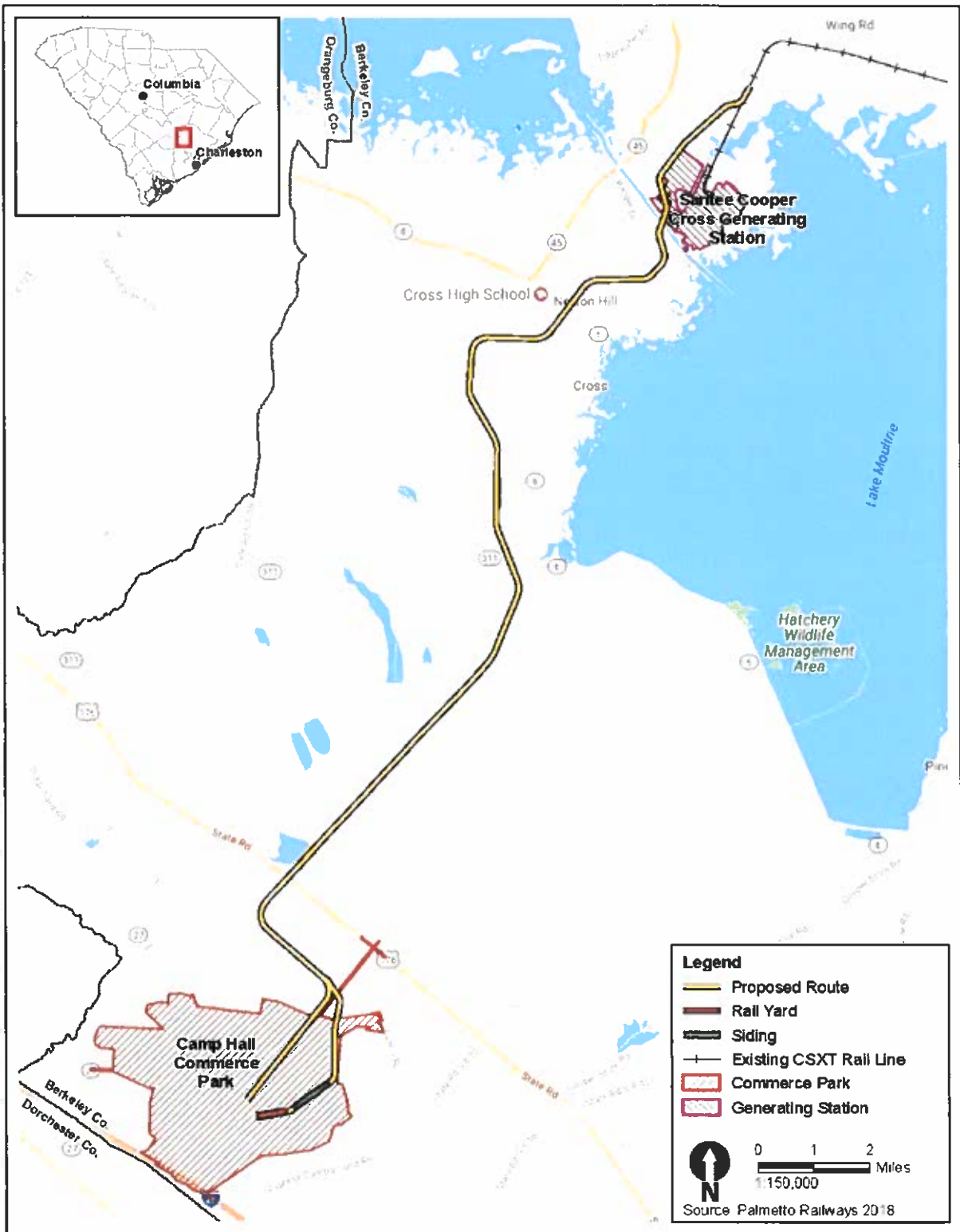
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Alignment
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
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Berkeley County Historical Society

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

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☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

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Name of Berkeley County Historical Society designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Keith Gourdin
Berkeley North Historical Society
153 Walnut Way
Pineville, SC 29468

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Gourdin:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

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Keith Gourdin, Berkeley North Historical Society

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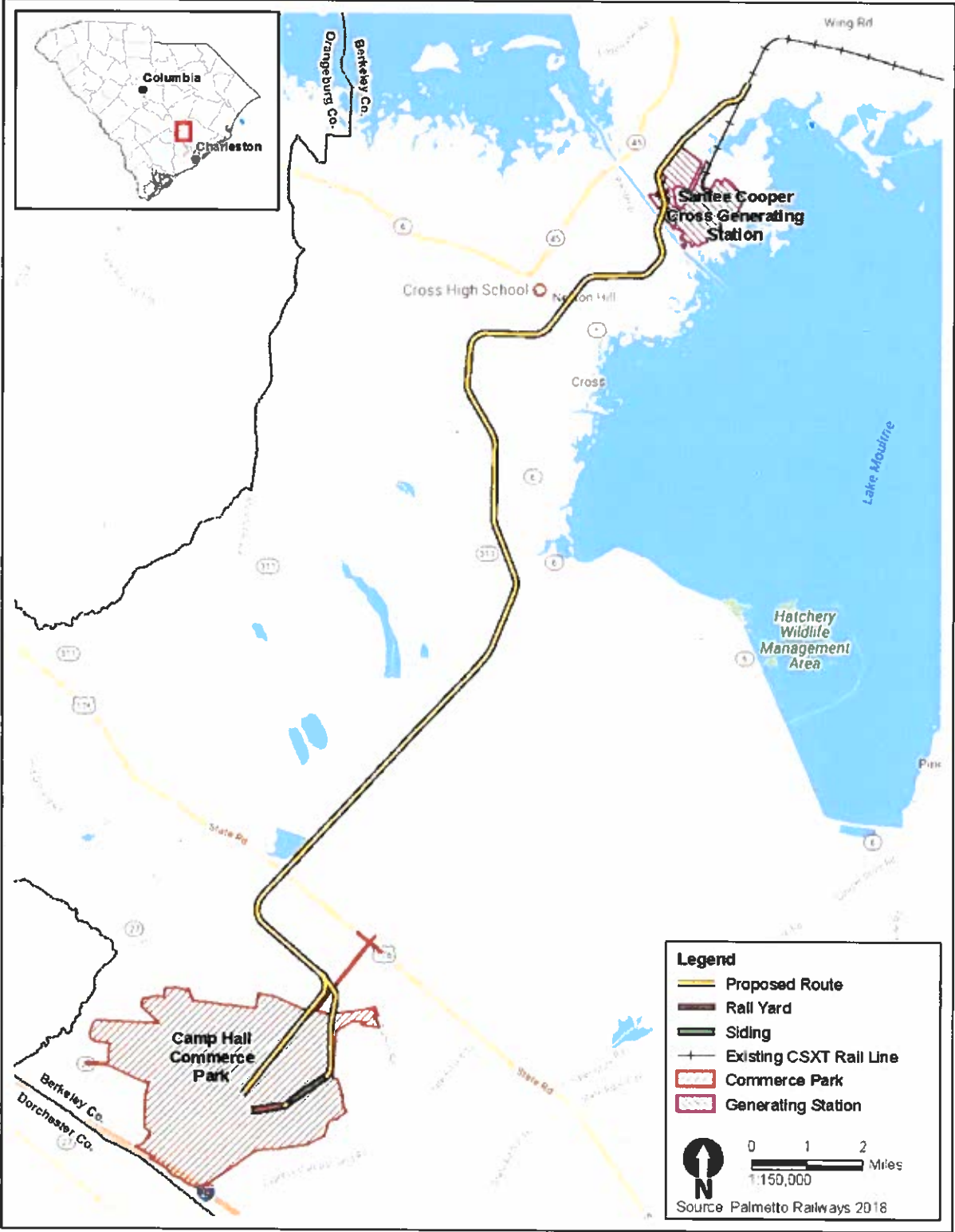
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Victoria Rutson
Director
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Berkeley North Historical Society

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

☐ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of designated Berkeley North Historical Society contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Russell Townsend
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
PO Box 455
Cherokee, NC 28719

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Townsend:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
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Russell Townsend, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
May 18, 2018
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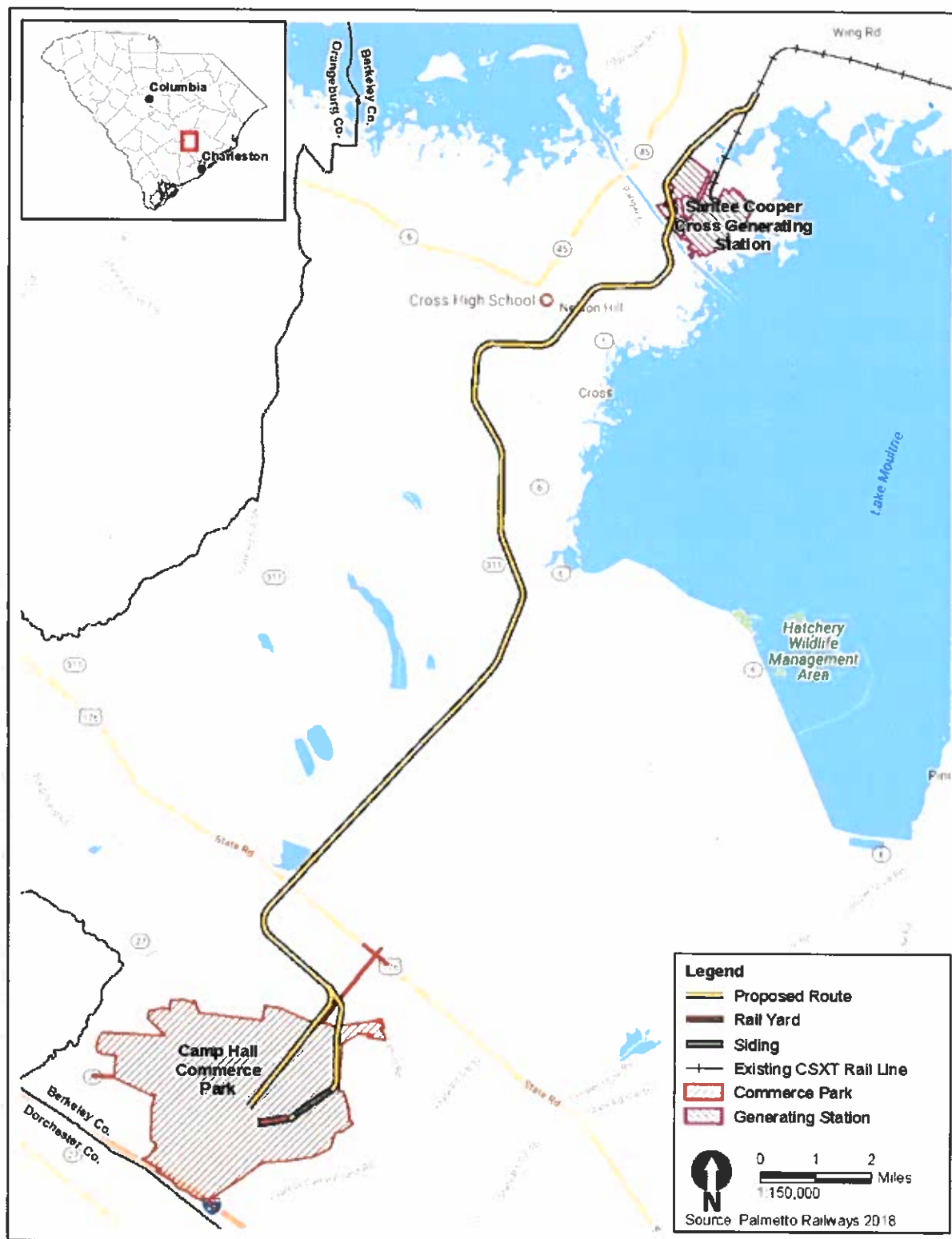
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

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☐ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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May 18, 2018

Robin Dushane
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
12705 East 705 Road
Wyandotte, OK 74370

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Robin Dushane:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit information or comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Robin Dushane, Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
May 18, 2018
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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

Sincerely,

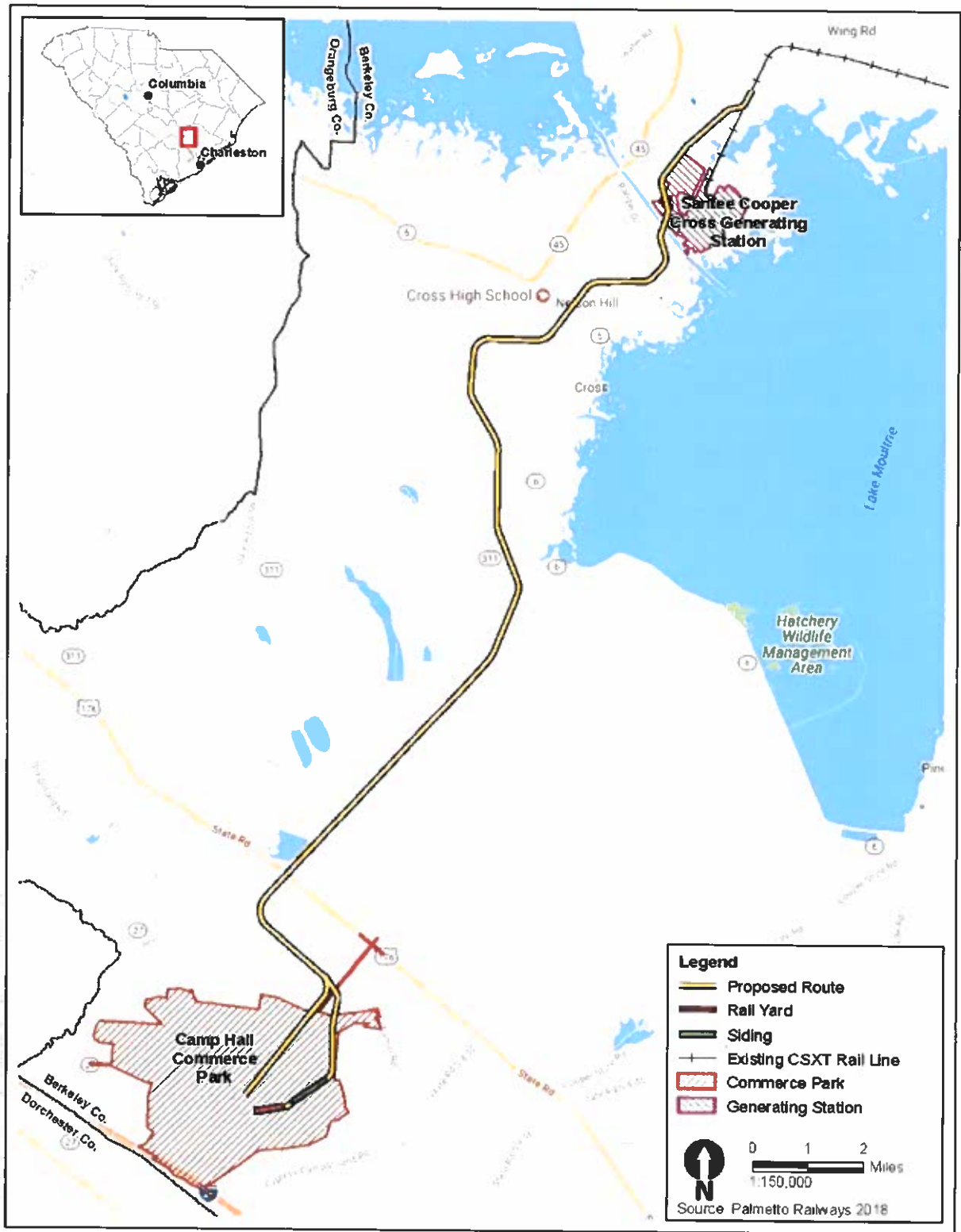
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

☐ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please mail to: Diana Wood
FD No. 36095
Surface Transportation Board
c/o ICF
8300 Lee Highway
Fairfax, VA 22031



SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
Washington, DC 20423

Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Joe Bunch
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee
PO Box 455
Cherokee, NC 28719

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Bunch:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800. On September 8, 2017, OEA initiated consultation with you under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit information or comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Joe Bunch, United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

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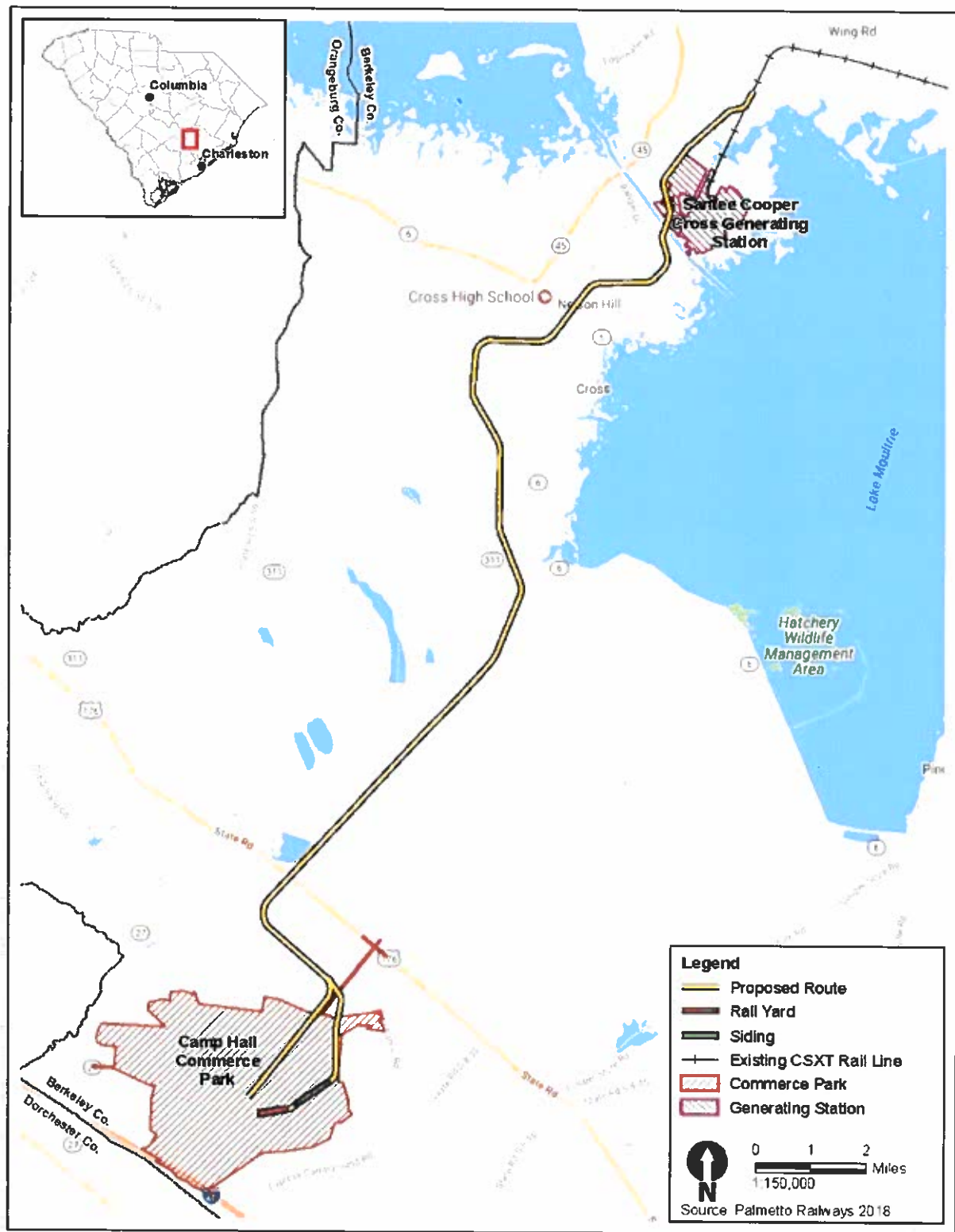
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

☐ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

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Date: _____

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8300 Lee Highway
Fairfax, VA 22031



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Washington, DC 20423

Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Lisa Collins
Tribal Administrator
Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians
PO Box 428
Summerville, SC 29484

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Ms. Collins:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800. On September 8, 2017, OEA initiated consultation with you under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit information or comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Lisa Collins, Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

Sincerely,

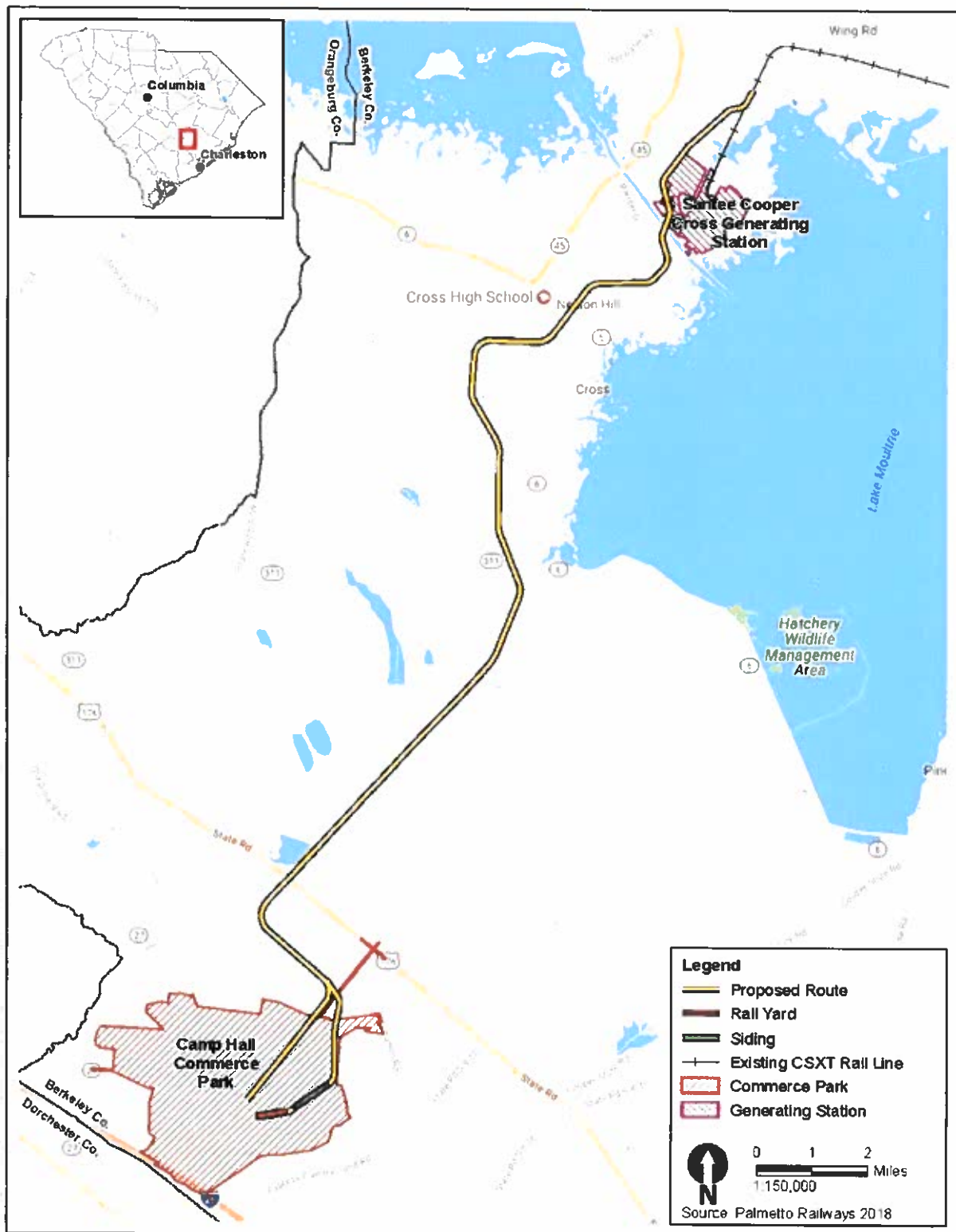
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

_____ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

_____ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

_____ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

_____ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of Wassamasaw Tribe of Varnertown Indians designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Name: _____

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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Wenonah Haire
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Catawba Indian Nation
1536 Tom Steven Road
Rock Hill, SC 29730

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; Invitation to Section 106 Consultation

Dear Ms. Haire:

Thank you for your response to our September 8, 2017 letter initiating consultation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). In accordance with your request to consult under NEPA, this letter formally invites you to also consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. We acknowledge your recommendation that additional archaeological surveys be completed in new project areas if the project footprint changes.

As you know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina. The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the Catawba Indian Nation is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for the Catawba Indian Nation to submit information or comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

Wenonah Haire, Catawba Indian Nation

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For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

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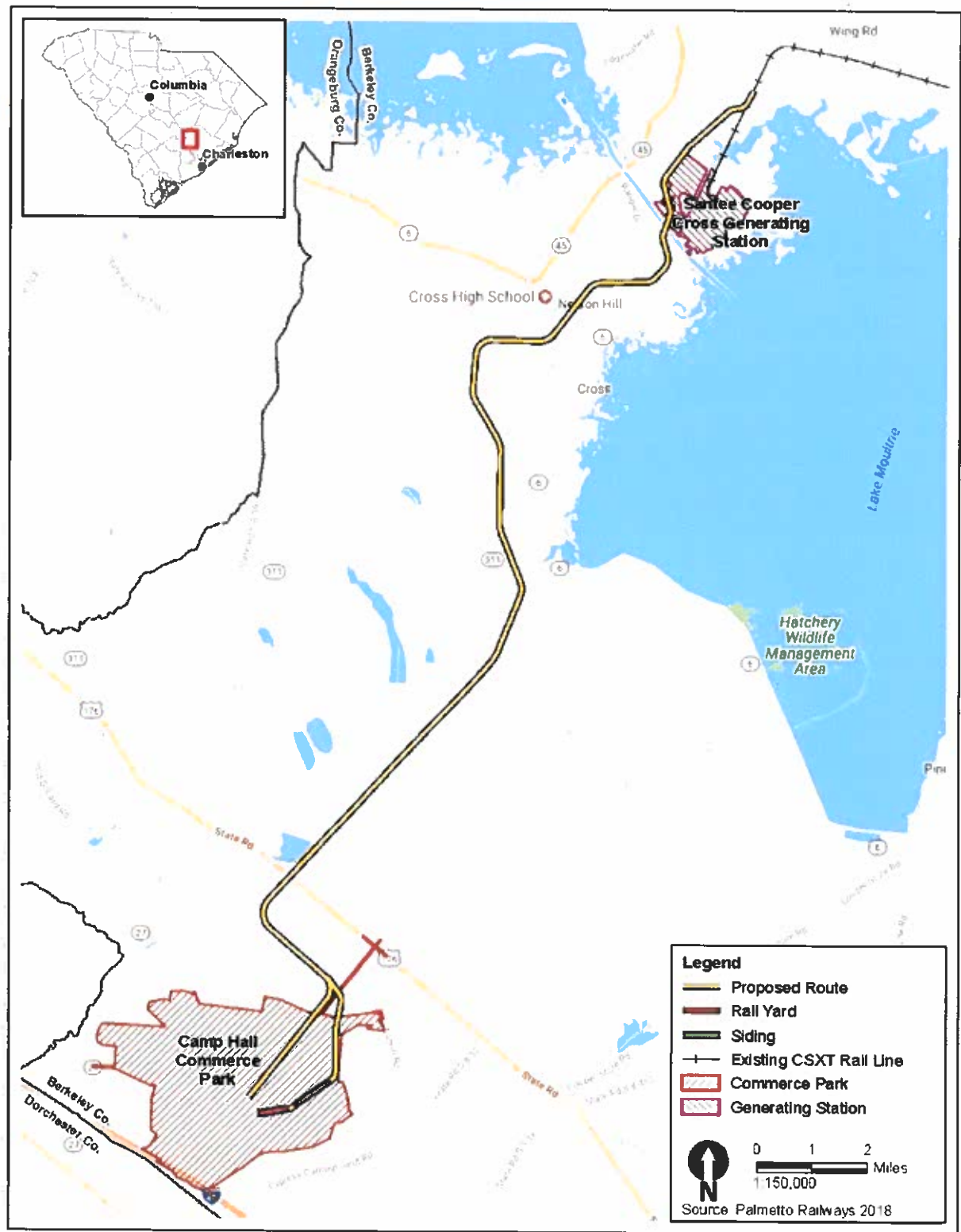
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Catawba Indian Nation

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

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Name of Catawba Indian Nation designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Corain Lowe-Zepeda
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Muscogee (Creek) Nation
P.O. Box 580
Okmulgee, OK 74447

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; Invitation to Section 106 Consultation

Dear Ms. Lowe-Zepeda:

Thank you for your response to our September 8, 2017 letter initiating consultation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). In accordance with your request to be informed of project updates, this letter formally invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project.

As you know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina. The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether the Muscogee (Creek) Nation is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for the Muscogee (Creek) Nation to submit information or comments on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Corain Lowe-Zepeda, Muscogee (Creek) Nation

May 18, 2018

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF, OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

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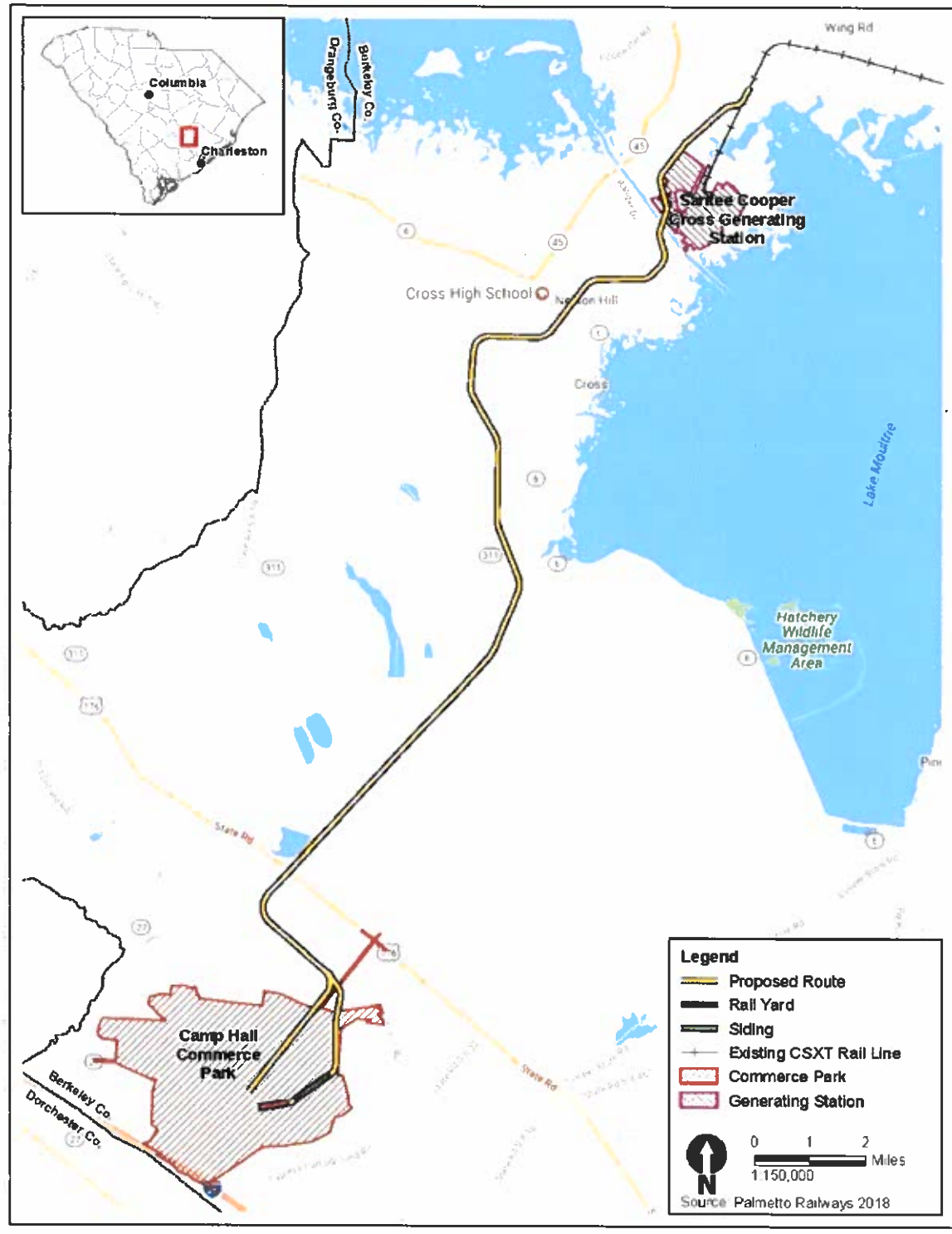
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Route
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

- ☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.
- ☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.
- ☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.
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Name of Muscogee (Creek) Nation designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface
Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new
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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Sam Bennett
Vice President of Administration
Santee Cooper
1 Riverwood Dr
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Sam Bennett:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether Santee Cooper is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit comments or information on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Sam Bennett, Santee Cooper

May 18, 2018

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

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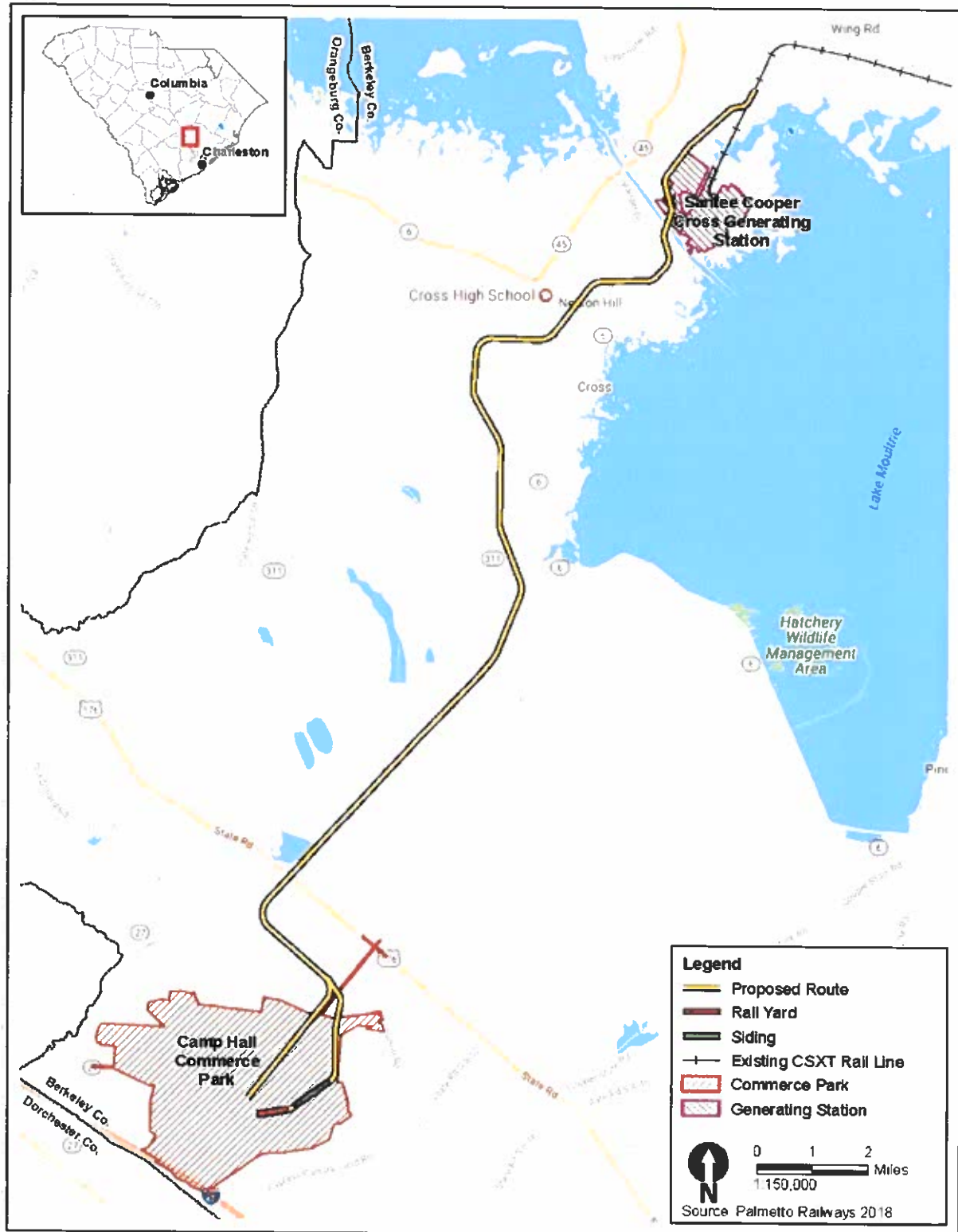
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Victoria Rutson
Director
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Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Alignment
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Santee Cooper

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

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Name of Santee Cooper designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Washington, DC 20423

Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Michael D. Coker
Executive Director
Berkeley County Museum and Heritage Center
950 Stony Landing Road
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Coker:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether Berkeley County Museum and Heritage Center is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit comments or information on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

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Michael D. Coker, Berkeley County Museum and Heritage Center

May 18, 2018

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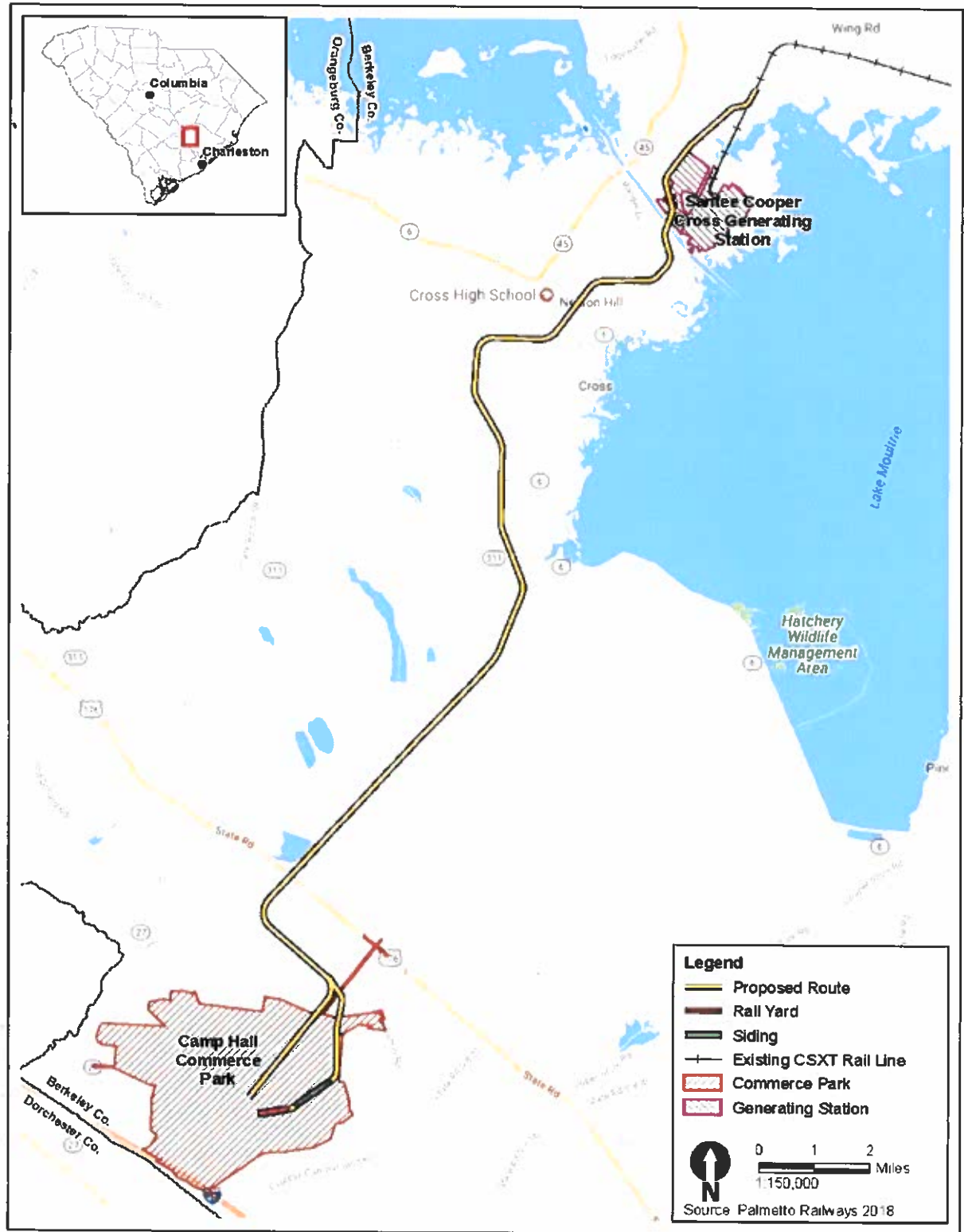
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Victoria Rutson
Director
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Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Alignment
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Berkeley County Museum and Heritage Center

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

- ☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.
- ☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.
- ☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.
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Name of Berkeley County Museum and Heritage Center designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Raleigh West
Executive Director
Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust
223 East Main Street
Suite B
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Raleigh West:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit comments or information on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Raleigh West, Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust

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Diana Wood of my staff is leading OEA's Section 106 consultation for the project. You may contact her at 202-245-0302 or Diana.Wood@stb.gov with any questions. You may also contact David Bauer of ICF OEA's independent third-party consultant, at David.Bauer@icf.com.

Sincerely,

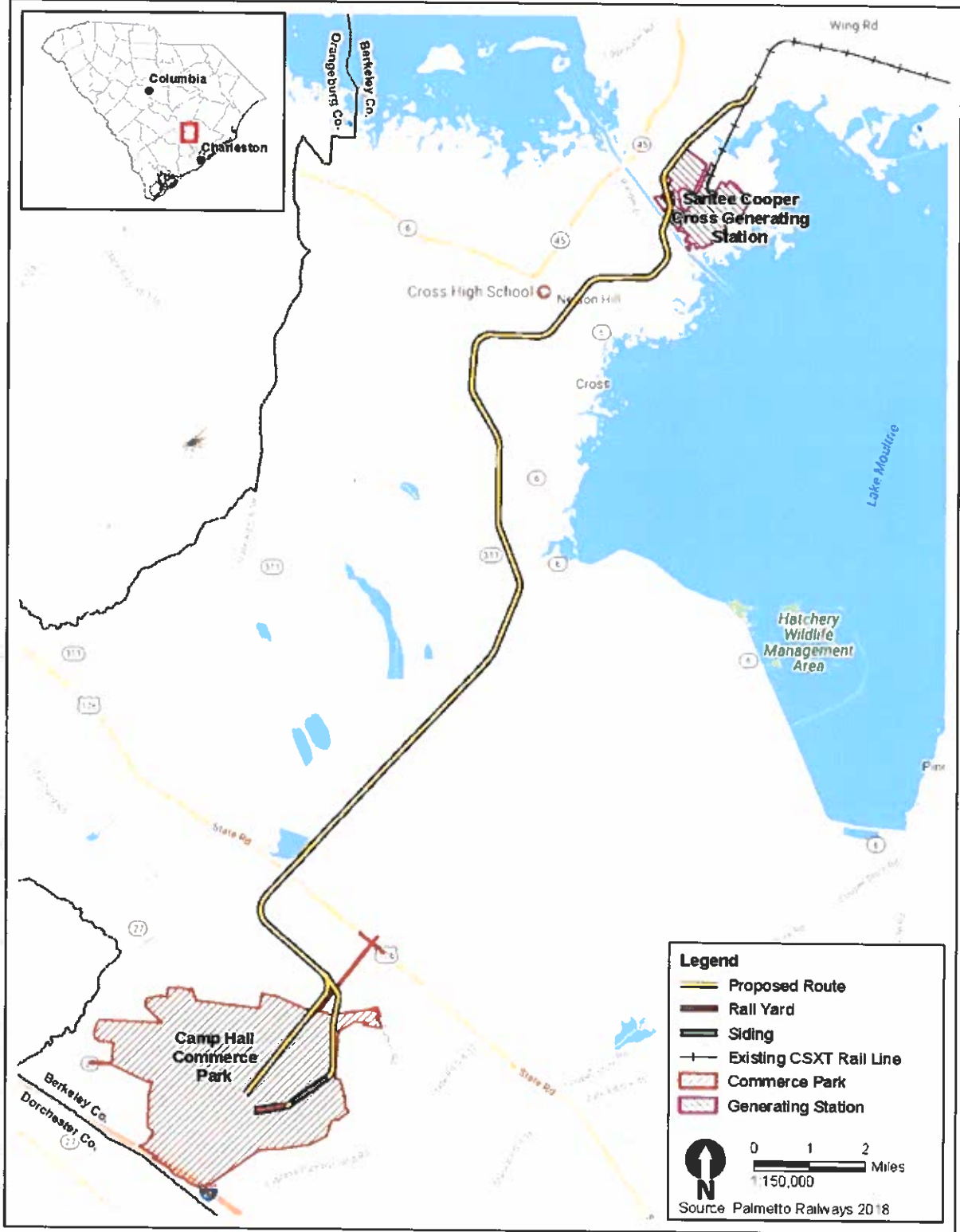
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Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Attachments:

- A. Map of Proposed Alignment
- B. NHPA Section 106 Consultation Options Form

ATTACHMENT A: MAP OF PROPOSED ROUTE



**ATTACHMENT B: NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT SECTION 106 CONSULTATION
OPTIONS FORM**

Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust

Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways – Construction and Operation
Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

_____ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

_____ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

_____ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

_____ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of Lord Berkeley Conservation Trust designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

Please print

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Please mail to: Diana Wood
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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Brad Sale
Old Santee Canal Park
900 Stony Landing Drive
Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Mr. Sale:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District (Corps) are conducting an environmental and historic preservation review of the proposed rail line construction project in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and regulations, including Section 106, and its implementing regulations at 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

This letter has two purposes:

- First, to learn whether Old Santee Canal Park is interested in participating as a Section 106 Consulting Party. We have enclosed a Consultation Options Form (Attachment B) that we hope makes it easier for you to select the level of involvement that you are interested in. If we do not hear back from you, we will assume that you do not want to participate as a Section 106 Consulting Party.
- Second, to provide an opportunity for you to submit comments or information on either historic properties and/or potential effects to historic properties that may be located in the area and that should be afforded close attention in the environmental analysis.

For your reference, Attachment A to this letter includes a map of the proposed route currently being considered. Additional information on this project is available on the project website at camphallrailnepa.com. Attachment B is the Consultations Options Form discussed above.

Brad Sale, Old Santee Canal Park

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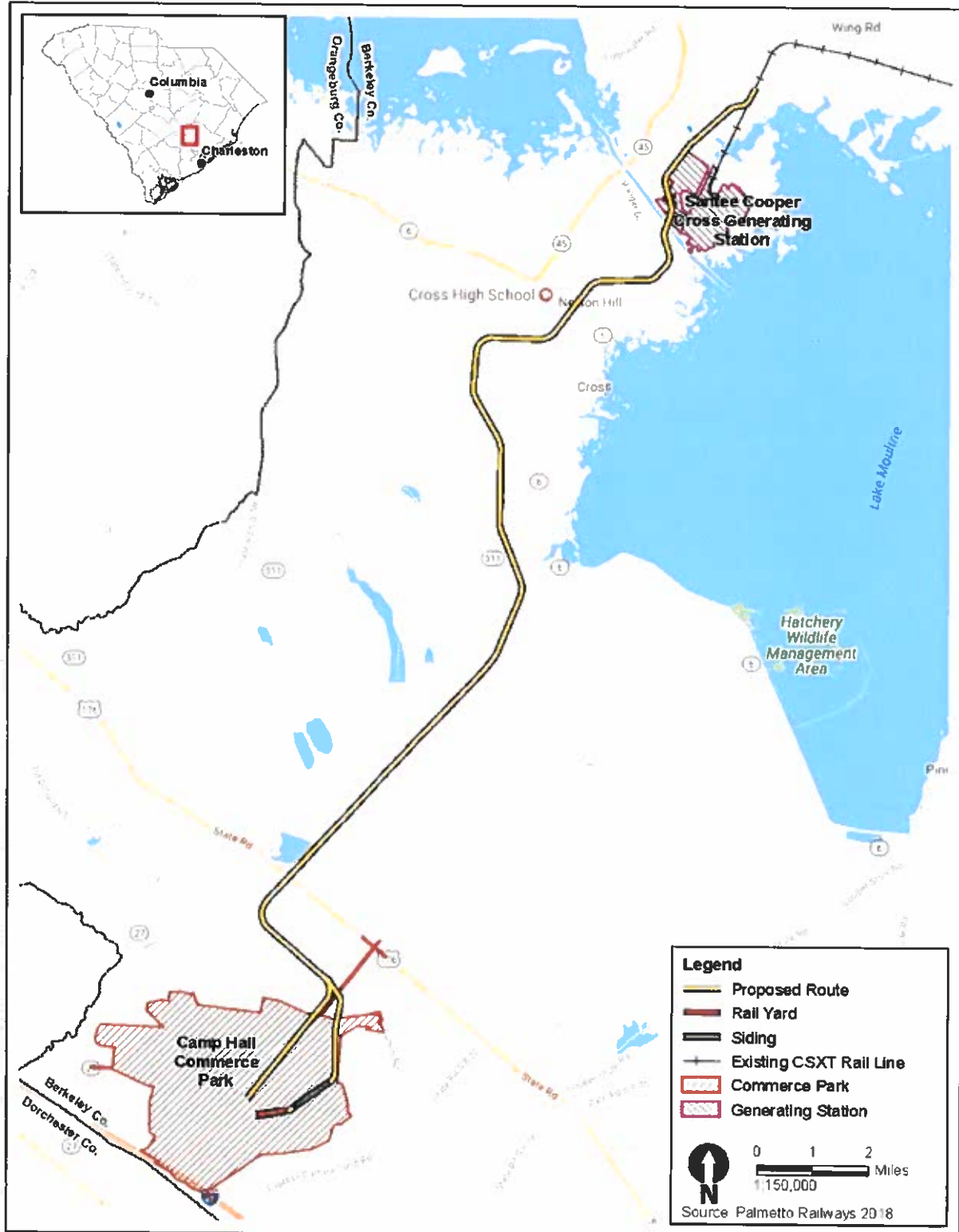
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Victoria Rutson
Director
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OPTIONS FORM**

Old Santee Canal Park

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Exemption—in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

Project Name: Palmetto Railways Proposed Rail Line

Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

☐ We have no interests associated with Palmetto Railways' proposed rail line and further consultation with our organization is not required.

☐ We want to continue to receive project information by mail and participate in the public involvement process.

☐ We have an interest in Palmetto's proposed rail line and want to participate as a "Consulting Party" in the Section 106 of the NHPA process.

☐ We have included comments regarding potential historic properties in the project area and/or potential impacts to historic properties on the back of this form or on additional sheets.

Name of Old Santee Canal Park designated contact for Section 106 Consultation for the Surface Transportation Board's decision on whether to allow Palmetto Railways to construct and operate a new rail line in South Carolina:

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Office of Environmental Analysis

May 18, 2018

Natalie Cappuccio Britt
Palmetto Conservation
722 King Street
Columbia, SC 29205

Re: Docket No. FD 36095, Palmetto Railways—Construction and Operation Exemption—In Berkeley County, South Carolina; **Invitation to Section 106 Consultation**

Dear Ms. Britt:

This letter invites you to consult under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106) regarding the above-referenced rail line construction project. As you may know, on August 3, 2017, Palmetto Railways (Palmetto or Applicant) filed a petition with the Surface Transportation Board (Board), pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 10502, for authority to construct and operate a 22.7-mile new rail line in Berkeley County, South Carolina.

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Natalie Cappuccio Britt, Palmetto Conservation

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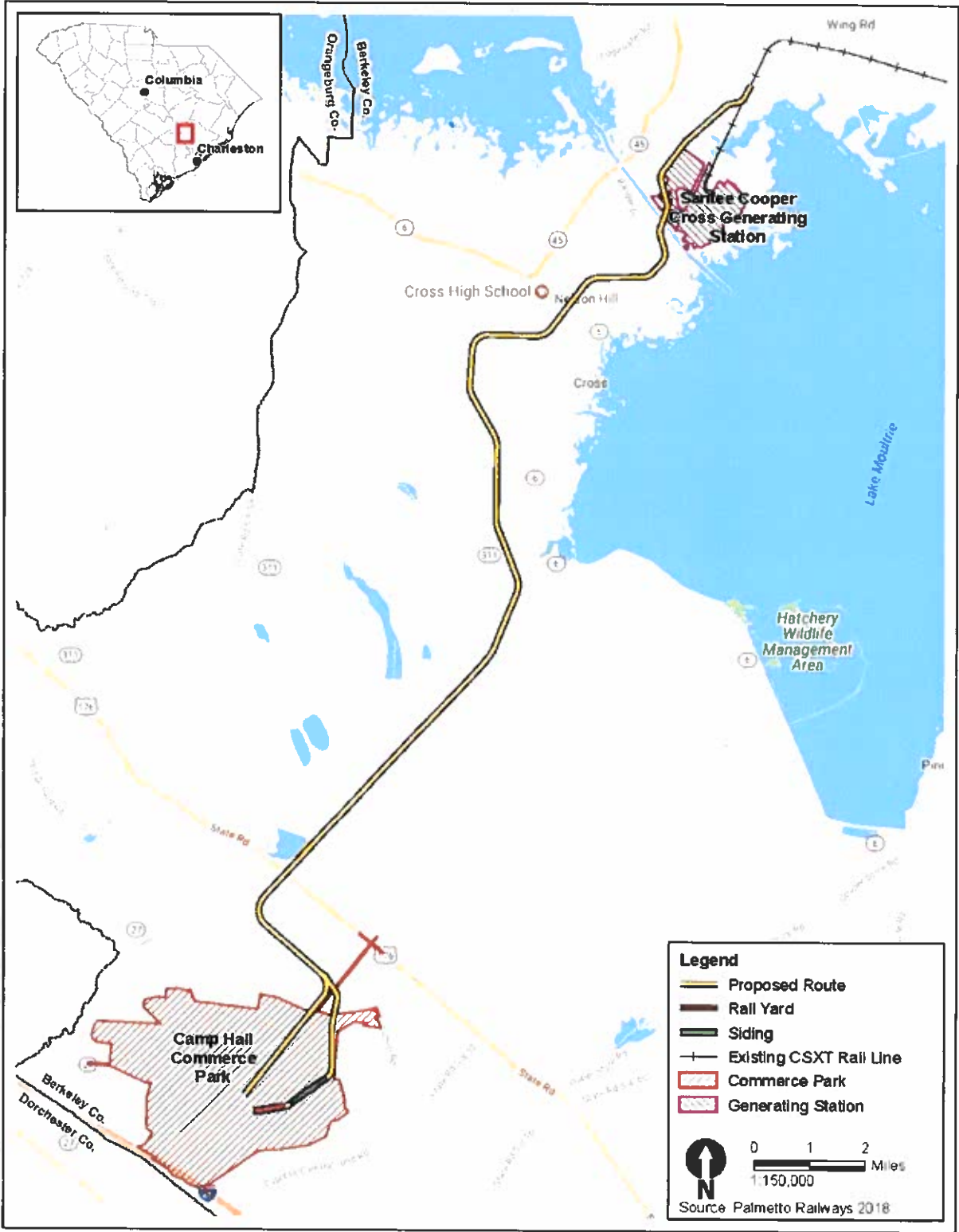
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OPTIONS FORM**

Palmetto Conservation

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Please check all the appropriate response(s) that apply from the list

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