



SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
Washington, DC 20423

Office of Environmental Analysis

August 8, 2013

Robert Wyatt
Curator
Mineral Creek Historical Society of Leeton
400 N Main Street
Leeton, MO 64761

Re: Invitation to Be a Consulting Party in the Section 106 Process
STB Docket No. AB 1068 (Sub-No. 1X) – Missouri Central Railroad
Company – Abandonment and Discontinuance of Service Exemption – In
Cass, Henry, Johnson, and Pettis Counties, Mo

Dear Mr. Wyatt:

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The Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) is responsible for ensuring the agency's compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and NHPA. Based on available information, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) has submitted comments stating that the rail corridor, as well as the 41 bridges and approximately 125± culverts on the line, are eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Accordingly, OEA has begun the consultation process and will be working with the SHPO, the railroad, and other concerned or affected parties as needed.

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§ 800.3, and we are writing to invite you to participate as a consulting party in the Section 106 process, including the possible development of a Memorandum of Agreement to avoid or minimize any adverse effects that the proposed abandonment and discontinuance of service might have on historic resources. **Please respond before September 8, 2103 if you would like to participate in the Section 106 process of this proceeding.**

Please send letter response to:

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Washington, D.C. 20423-0001
Attn: Diana Wood

Please send email to:

woodd@stb.dot.gov

If you have any questions, require additional information regarding this proceeding, or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Diana Wood at 202-245-0302.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Victoria Rutson".

Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis

Enclosures (2)

cc: Judith Deel, Missouri SHPO (SHPO Log # 021-MLT-13)
Sandra Brown, Thompson Hine LLP



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Rodney E. Wesner
Local Historian
600 S Windsor Street
Windsor, MO 65360

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We have identified the City of Windsor as a potential consulting party pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.3, and we are writing to invite you to participate as a consulting party in the Section

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Sandra Underwood
City Administrator
City of Windsor
110 W Benton Street
Windsor, MO 65360

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The Honorable Melody Robinson
Mayor
City of Chillhowee
110 S Pennsylvania Avenue
P.O. Box 183
Chillhowee, MO 64733

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Destry Hough
Commissioner
Johnson County Planning Commission
300 N Holden
Warrenburg, MO 64093

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