

**Railroad Construction at Cates Landing in Lake County****Joshua Wayland** to: Jennifer.Barnett

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Hello Jennifer,

You may recall that we spoke last year regarding a proposed railroad construction in Lake County, Tennessee (Surface Transportation Board Docket No. FD35802). After consulting with you, we conducted an archaeological survey of the area that, after some revisions, you determined met the standards of your office. Last summer, I sent a letter informing the Tennessee Historical Commission of my agency's finding of No Historic Properties Affected, based on the the findings of the survey and additional research and our consultation with your office. I later received email confirmation from Joe Garrison that the Commission had concurred with our findings.

I am contacting you now because last month I received a letter from the Commission stating that the proposed construction project would adversely affect properties eligible for listing in the National Register (see attached). This was sent in response to the Environmental Assessment that we had forwarded in December. The letter does not provide any additional information about the potentially affected properties. It does list Joe Garrison as the contact person, but I have been unable over the past three weeks to reach him by phone or email. Since you have some familiarity with this project, could you possibly provide me with any information about the Commission's new determination about the effect of the project on historic properties? I understand you are in the Division of Archaeology, which is separate from the SHPO, so you might not have that information. Can you recommend anyone else that I can contact who might be able to help, as I have not been able to reach Dr. Garrison?

I appreciate your help with this. Thank you for your ongoing support and guidance.



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Best,

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