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Railroad abandonment, Docket # AB-871X Laconia, NH

Section of Environmental Analysis  
Surface Transportation Board  
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Gentlemen:

This responds to Stephen Labonte's (Assistant Attorney General, Concord, New Hampshire) recent correspondence requesting information on the presence of federally-listed and/or proposed endangered or threatened species in relation to the proposed activity(ies) referenced above.

Based on information currently available to us, no federally-listed or proposed, threatened or endangered species or critical habitat under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are known to occur in the project area(s). Preparation of a Biological Assessment or further consultation with us under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act is not required.

This concludes our review of listed species and critical habitat in the project location(s) and environs referenced above. No further Endangered Species Act coordination of this type is necessary for a period of one year from the date of this letter, unless additional information on listed or proposed species becomes available.

Please contact us at 603-223-2541 if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

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