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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

October 24, 2019

Victoria Rutson
Director
Office of Environmental Analysis
Central Texas and Colorado River Railway, LLC

Via: Online Submission

Re: TCEQ NEPA Request #2019-268. Railroad Abandonment Exemption. McCulloch, San Saba, Mill & Lampasas Counties.

Dear Ms. Rutson

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has reviewed the above-referenced project and offers the following comments:

In accordance with the general conformity regulations in 40 CFR Part 93, this proposed action was reviewed for air quality impact. The proposed action is located in McCulloch, San Saba, Mill & Lampasas Counties, which are currently designated as attainment/unclassified for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for all six criteria air pollutants. General conformity requirements do not apply.

The Office of Water does not anticipate significant long term environmental impacts from this project as long as construction and waste disposal activities associated with it are completed in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal environmental permits, statutes, and regulations. We recommend that the applicant take necessary steps to ensure that best management practices are used to control runoff from construction sites to prevent detrimental impact to surface and ground water.

Any debris or waste disposal should be at an appropriately authorized disposal facility.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions, please contact the agency NEPA coordinator at (512) 239-0010 or NEPA@tceq.texas.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Vise".

Ryan Vise,
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