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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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PNDI Number: 20406

Kevin Starnier
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Fax: 717-232-1799 (hard copy will NOT follow)

Re: Local Road System Upgrade Alternative for Finance Docket No. 35116, R.J. Corman Railroad Company
Snow Shoe, Cooper, and Burnside Townships, Clearfield and Centre Counties,

Dear Mr. Starnier,

Thank you for submission of the Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory (PNDI) Environmental Review Receipt Number 20406 for review. PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources screened this project for potential impacts to species and resources of concern under DCNR's responsibility, which includes plants, terrestrial invertebrates, natural communities, and geologic features only.

Potential Impacts Anticipated if Disturbance

PNDI records indicate that species and communities of special concern under DCNR's jurisdiction are known to occur in the vicinity of the above-mentioned project. Please see the list for species found in the vicinity of the project area. If any earth disturbance is planned or more detailed project information becomes available, please coordinate with our office for further review of potential impacts to the species list located below.

Scientific name	Common Name	PA Current Status	PA Proposed Status	Habitat includes
<i>Polygonum careyi</i>	Carey's Smartweed	Endangered	Endangered	Sandy open woods
<i>Prunus alleghaniensis</i>	Alleghany Plum	N	Threatened	Roadsides, floodplains

This response represents the most up-to-date summary of the PNDI data files and is valid for one (1) year from the date of this letter. An absence of recorded information does not necessarily imply actual conditions on-site. Should project plans change or additional information on listed or proposed species become available, this determination may be reconsidered.

Should the proposed work continue beyond the period covered by this letter, please resubmit the project to this agency as an "Update" (including an updated PNDI receipt, project narrative and accurate map). If the proposed work has not changed and no additional information concerning listed species is found, the project will be cleared for PNDI requirements under this agency for an additional year.

This finding applies to impacts to DCNR only. To complete your review of state and federally-listed threatened and endangered species and species of special concern, please be sure the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, PA Game Commission, and the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission have been contacted regarding this project as directed by the online PNDI ER Tool found at www.naturalheritage.state.pa.us.

Sincerely,

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