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To: "CZorbaugh@bakerandmiller.com" <CZorbaugh@bakerandmiller.com>,
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Date: 09/07/2017 04:57 PM
Subject: FW: Re: Fwd: Des Moines, IA

From: Moore, Seth [mailto:seth.moore@dnr.iowa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Poarch, Lawada G.
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Fwd: Des Moines, IA

Lawada,

This will not require a sovereign lands construction permit nor are there any threatened or endangered species concerns. Thank you for contacting the Department for further review on your project.

Seth Moore | Environmental Specialist
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
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On Thu, Sep 7, 2017 at 2:14 PM, Poarch, Lawada G. <Lawada.Poarch@nscorp.com> wrote:
Seth,

The answer is no. The only work will be to pull up the track and smooth over the area where the track used to be. That's it.

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From: Moore, Seth [mailto:seth.moore@dnr.iowa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 12:33 PM
To: Poarch, Lawada G.
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Lawada,

Will any of the work be below the water line of the Des Moines River?

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From: **Poarch, Lawada G.** <Lawada.Poarch@nscorp.com>

Date: Thu, Sep 7, 2017 at 10:26 AM

Subject: Des Moines, IA

To: "sler@dnr.iowa.gov" <sler@dnr.iowa.gov>

Good morning,

This email is a follow-up to my conversation this morning with Kelly Poole. Norfolk Southern is ready to move forward with completing this project located in Des Moines, Iowa. The tracking number for correspondences received from your office is 9092. Norfolk Southern wants to remove the remaining track from railroad milepost SD 336.8 and SD 337.1, a total of 0.3 of a mile. The track from railroad milepost SD 339.3 and SD 339.6 was removed when the new MLK Expressway was constructed. The abandonment is being undertaken at the request of the City of Des Moines to facilitate urban improvement projects. Norfolk Southern will be removing the existing 0.3 of a mile track from the existing roadbed and smooth the roadbed to a level surface. The contours of the existing roadbed will remain as is, and existing drainage systems will remain intact. There will be no digging or burying. Norfolk Southern is committed to using best practices when removing the track. Please review the attached documents and let me have your comments regarding removal of the aforementioned track in order to complete this project.

Thank you in advance,
LaWada Poarch
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