

EI-18848



Texas SHPO comments Eagle Pass Railroad FD 35554
Linda Henderson to: NaveckyD@stb.dot.gov

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Dear Mr. Navecky,

Thank you for sending us information on the proposed Eagle Pass Railroad project (Docket No. FD 35554). This email serves as official comment from Texas' State Historic Preservation Officer, the Executive Director of the Texas Historical Commission. We do not currently have enough information to complete--or begin--our review of this project, so we are asking for you to provide additional information.

I reviewed the material with my colleague Bill Martin, and I just submitted the following comment on your E-Filing system: "We received a notice from your office 30 days ago requesting our comments on the proposed rail line in Eagle Pass, Maverick County, Texas, but there is not sufficient information for us to review. When you are ready to coordinate under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, please contact us in advance to discuss your Area of Potential Effect and archeological and historic sites survey methodology. Thank you."

I wanted to elaborate a bit more through email. Our online Historic Sites Atlas (<http://atlas.thc.state.tx.us/index.asp>) will give you some sense for the already-designated historic resources (the archeological side is protected, though, so an SOI-qualified archeologist will have to review that for you). Section 106, though, calls for the federal agency to determine the presence of National Register-eligible resources within the Area of Potential Effect. Once you've identified and evaluated those, please send us the appropriate narrative, map, and photographic information for our review purposes. You can review our website for the type of information we need: <http://www.thc.state.tx.us/crm/crmdefault.shtml>.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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From: SevernS@stb.dot.gov [mailto:SevernS@stb.dot.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2012 2:38 PM
To: Linda Henderson
Subject: Acknowledgement of environmental comment

STB acknowledges that you have submitted an environmental comment regarding

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