



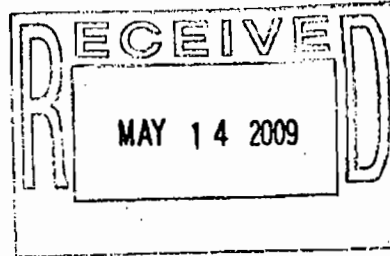
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Northcentral Regional Office

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Re: RJ Corman Railroad Company
Beech Creek Branch Line
Construction and Operation
Between Wallaceton and Gorton, PA

Dear Ms. Basehore:

I am writing in regards to the above referenced project proposal. Regional staff have completed a preliminary review of your submittal and offer the following comments:

- For permitting issues related to either earthmoving/construction stormwater or water obstructions and encroachments, please contact this office's Watershed Management Program for assistance.
- In looking at the topographical and aerial map in greater detail, there appears to be a potential former siding site near the village of Hawk Run that if reconstructed potentially would require an industrial waste stormwater permit. The existing rail bed crosses English Run, Hawk Run and an unnamed tributary to Moshannon Creek on the north bank between Phillipsburg and Winburne. It is difficult to envision any circumstances where a spill anywhere along this section of rail line would not end up in water. Please ensure that appropriate measures are considered and precautions taken.
- The Environmental Cleanup Program is not currently aware of any significant environmental problems in the proposed railroad construction designation. If contaminated material is encountered during construction of the railroad line please contact the Environmental Cleanup Program at 570-327-0500.

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- Any water lines must be taken into consideration during the design of the proposed mainline connection.

Sincerely,



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Assistant Regional Director

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