

AB 1267, 76, 66

**Gosselin, Danielle**

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**Sent:** Monday, July 08, 2019 6:23 PM  
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**Subject:** [JIRA] (IMOV-5877) STB Docket Nos. AB -1267 AB-1276 AB-1266

A comment is added on your issue:

## Re: STB Docket Nos. AB -1267 AB-1276 AB-1266

NGS Response, STB DOCKET NOS. AB-1267 AB-1276 AB-1266 - In Accomack and North Hampton Counties, VA.

Thank you for informing the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) of Cassatt Management LLC d/b/a Bay Coast Railroad(BCR), Eastern Shore Railroad, Inc. and Canonie Atlantic Co.'s decision to abandon a 49.1 mile railroad line between milepost 45.7 at Hallwood, VA to milepost 94.8 at Cape Charles, VA.

There could be geodetic survey marks located in the area described, and any marks still present could be disturbed by the abandonment. While it is illegal to disturb or destroy a mark, sometimes disturbing or destroying a mark is unavoidable. In such cases, the mark can often be preserved or reset with advanced planning. NGS provides the public with tools to search for and locate survey marks, see the NGS Data Explorer (<https://geodesy.noaa.gov/NGSDataExplorer/>).

If a mark will be disturbed by the abandonment, BCR, the Eastern Shore Railroad, Inc. and Canonie Atlantic Co. should consult with NGS at least 90 days prior to beginning salvage activities that will disturb, or destroy any geodetic marks identified nearby. Information is available online to help reset marks or report disturbed/destroyed marks: <https://geodesy.noaa.gov/surveys/mark-recovery/index.shtml>.

This notice is also being shared with Scott.Lokken (scott.lokken@noaa.gov, (240) 678-2167) the Regional Geodetic Advisor, so he may work with any interested local agencies or stakeholders.

If you have additional questions, email [NGS.Infocenter@noaa.gov](mailto:NGS.Infocenter@noaa.gov).

Sincerely,

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NGS Database search results:

82 marks, just about all bench marks are in the area of the railroad from St Charles to Hallwood, VA.

Note many are scaled positions so the plotted positions are only estimates. Disturbing the marks should



be avoided when possible.

National Geodetic Survey

## Blodgett, Kenneth

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**From:** Environmental Analysis  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 17, 2019 2:41 PM  
**To:** Blodgett, Kenneth  
**Subject:** FW: STB Docket Nos. AB -1267 AB-1276 AB-1266  
**Attachments:** rrDatasheets.txt; rrAbandonment.kml; rrAbandonmentMap.pdf

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Sloane Carlough,

My apologies for the difficulties. The emails are routed through a "job" tracking system called JIRA. Unfortunately, I am an inexperienced JIRA user and likely caused the problems. This email is "outside" of the JIRA system.

Hopefully the following message and 3 attachments are readable. Please let me know if you have any questions.

*I researched the NGS Database for survey marks near the rail line running between Hallwood and Cape Charles, VA (approximately 50 miles.)*

*The search yielded 82 marks that may be close to the tracks and could be impacted by track, tie, and ballast removal. I've attached the following files:*

*rrDatasheets.txt - a text file containing the NGS Datasheets for each mark.*

*rrAbandonmentMap.pdf - pdf map of the mark's locations*

*rrAbandonment.kml - google earth file of the marks.*

*sincerely,  
Scott Lokken*

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