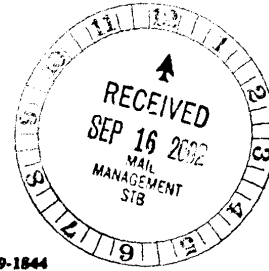




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Dear Secretary Williams:

This is with reference to AB 586 (Sub No. 1X), a proposed abandonment by the North Central Railway Association in Franklin County, Iowa, between the cities of Hampton and Geneva.

We are requesting an extension of another 90 days in which to complete negotiations for the acquisition of this right-of-way under terms of the National Trails System Act.

We are enclosing ten copies of this request and are mailing a copy to Mr. T. Scott Bannister at his office in Des Moines. Mr. Bannister represents the railroad in this matter. We trust that the NCRA will concur in this request for additional time.

Sincerely,

Tom F. Neenan