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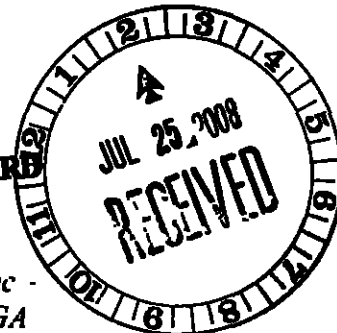
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RE. Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X), *CSX Transportation, Inc -
Abandonment Exemption-in Fulton and Clayton Counties, GA*

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of a Verified Notice of Exemption for abandonment in the above-entitled proceeding and a check for the filing fee of \$3,700. Also enclosed is a computer diskette in containing the Notice.

Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and the Notice and return them with our messenger. Thank you for your assistance.

If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours,

Louis E. Gitomer
Attorney for: CSX Transportation, Inc.

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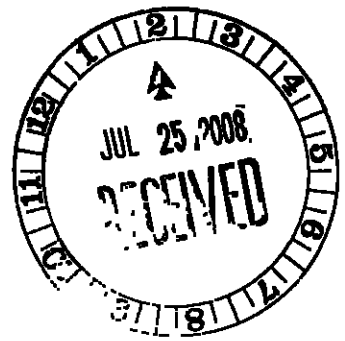
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Dated: July 25, 2008



BEFORE THE
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Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X)

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.—ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION—
IN COLLEGE PARK, FULTON, AND CLAYTON COUNTIES, GA

VERIFIED NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) files this Verified Notice of Exemption pursuant to the class exemption at 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 for CSXT to abandon a 1.67-mile rail line on its Southern Region, Atlanta Division, Atlanta Terminal Subdivision in College Park between Valuation Station 0+00 and the end of the line, Valuation Station 88+00, in Fulton and Clayton Counties, GA (the “Line”). No local rail traffic has moved over the Line during the past two years. Any overhead traffic on the Line can and has been rerouted.

1. Proposed consummation date. The proposed consummation date is September 13, 2008.
2. Certification required by 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50(b). *See* Exhibit A.
3. Information required by 49 C.F.R. § 1152.22(a)(1) through (4), (7), and (8), and (e)(4).

(a) General.

(1) Exact name of applicant. CSX Transportation, Inc.

(2) Whether applicant is a common carrier by railroad subject to 49 U.S.C.

Subtitle IV, Chapter 105. CSXT is a common carrier by railroad subject to 49 U.S.C. Subtitle IV, Chapter 105.

(3) Relief sought. CSXT seeks to use the class exemption at 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 to abandon a 1.67-mile rail line on its Southern Region, Atlanta Division, Atlanta Terminal Subdivision in College Park between Valuation Station 0+00 and the end of the line, Valuation Station 88+00, in Fulton and Clayton Counties, GA. There are no stations on the Line.

(4) Map. See Exhibit B.

(7) Name, title, and address of representative of applicant to whom correspondence should be sent. Louis E. Gitomer, Law Offices of Louis E. Gitomer, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204, (202) 466-6532. Lou_Gitomer@verizon.net.

(8) List of all United States Postal Service ZIP Codes that the line proposed for abandonment traverses. The Line traverses ZIP Code 30337.

(e) Rural and community impact.

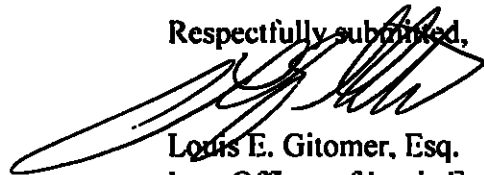
(4) Statement of whether the properties proposed to be abandoned are appropriate for use for other public purposes, including roads and highways, other forms of mass transportation, conservation, energy production or transmission, or recreation. If the applicant is aware of any restriction on the title to the property, including any reversionary interest, which would affect the transfer of title or the use of property for other than rail purposes, this shall be disclosed.

CSXT believes that the properties proposed for abandonment may be suitable for other purposes, but may be subject to reversionary interests that may affect transfer of title for other than rail purposes

4. The level of labor protection. The interests of railroad employees who may be adversely affected by the proposed abandonment will be adequately protected by the labor protective conditions in *Oregon Short Line R Co –Abandonment–Goshen*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979).
5. Certification. Certificates of compliance with the notice requirements of 49 C.F.R. §§ 1152.50(d)(1) and 1105.11 are attached as Exhibit C.
6. Environmental Report. *See* Exhibit D. Based on information in the possession of CSX I, the Line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in the railroad's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it.
7. Historic Report. *See* Exhibit E.

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Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: July 25, 2008

EXHIBIT A

**VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION THAT RAIL LINE MEETS
CRITERIA OF 49 C.F.R. SECTION 1152.50(b)**

STATE OF FLORIDA)
)
COUNTY OF DUVAL) ss.

I, Ellen M. Preslar, being duly sworn, depose and state that I am Manager Regulatory Costing for Network Rationalization of CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT"); that I am authorized to make this verification; and that I have read the foregoing Notice of Exemption and know the facts asserted therein are true and accurate as stated, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

I hereby certify that no local traffic has moved over CSXT's 1.67-mile rail line on its Southern Region, Atlanta Division, Atlanta Terminal Subdivision from Railroad Valuation Station 0+00 to Railroad Valuation Station 88+00, known as the AG Lead in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia, for at least two years prior to the date hereof, and that any overhead traffic on the line can be rerouted over other lines. Further, no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the line (or a State or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board or any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of a complainant within the two-year period. The foregoing certification is made on behalf of CSXT by the undersigned after due and careful investigation of the matters herein certified and based on the best of the knowledge, information, and belief of the undersigned.

Ellen M. Preslar

Ellen M. Preslar

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 4th day of July, 2008.

My Commission Expires: JUL 23, 2011

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Notary Public

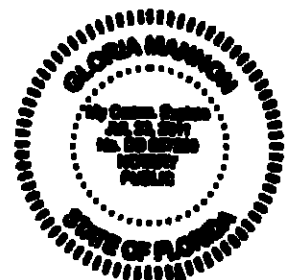
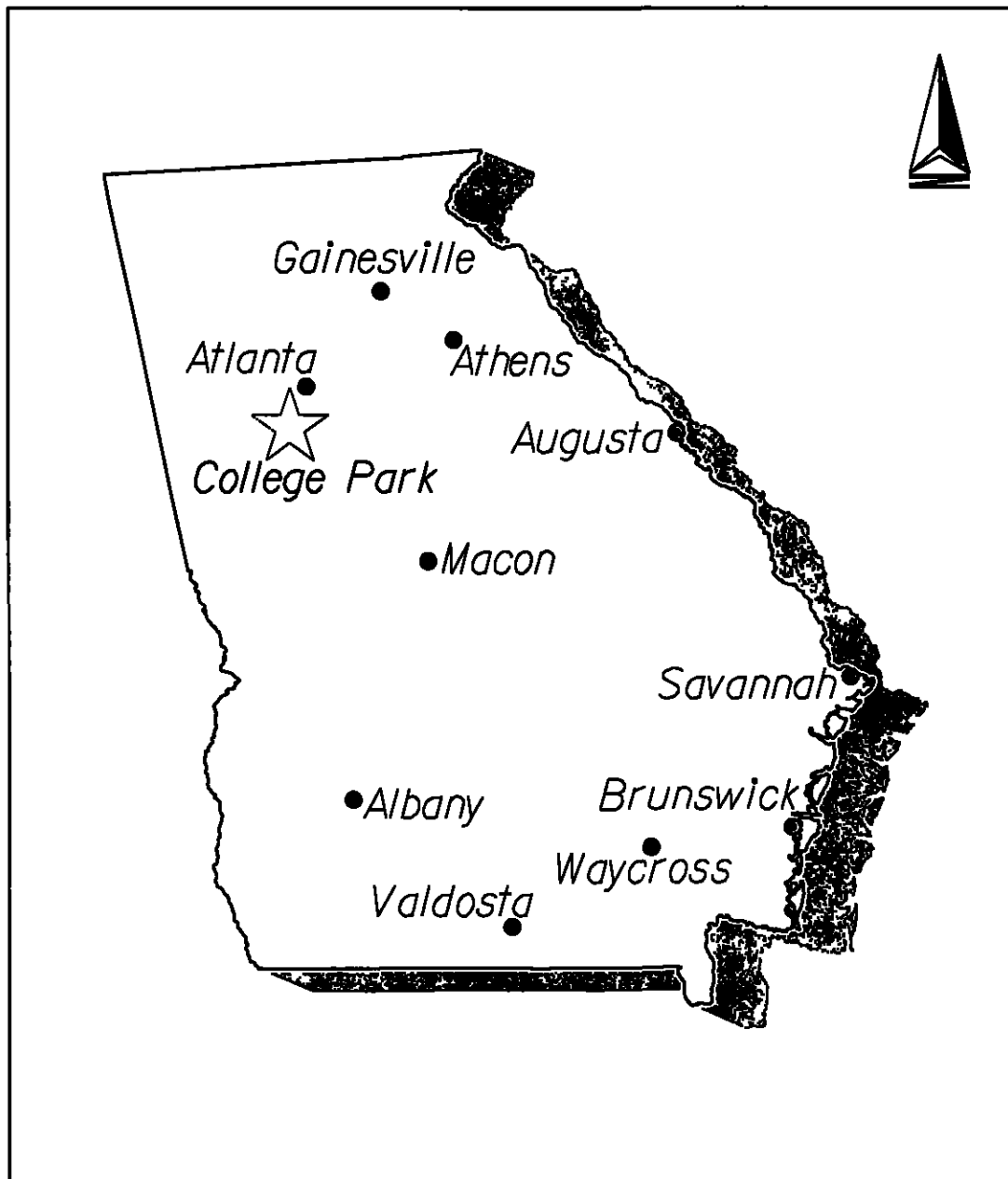
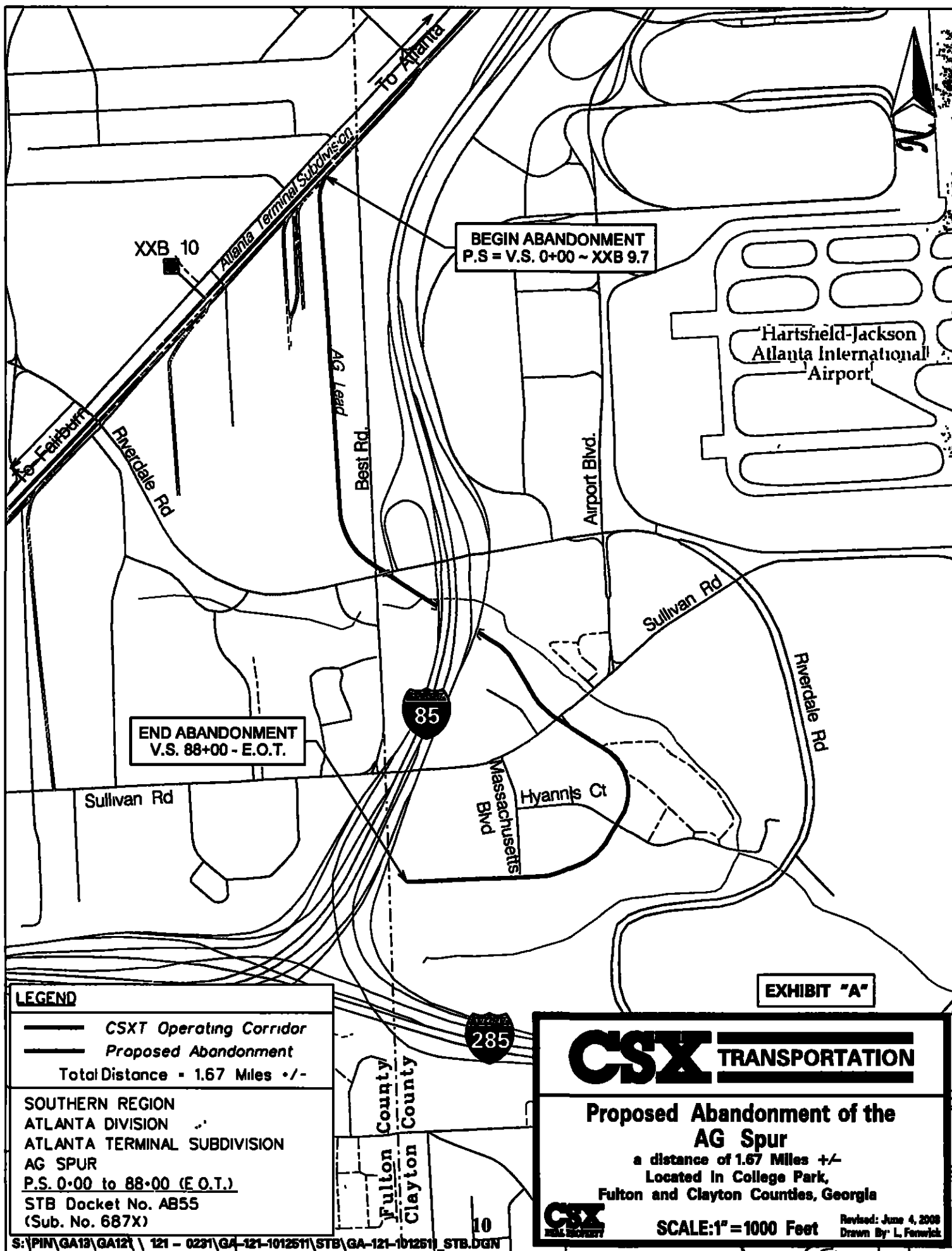


EXHIBIT B
MAP



AREA MAP

Proposed Abandonment of 1.67 Miles +/-,
known as the 'AG' Lead in College Park,
Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia
STB Docket No. AB 55 - Sub. No. 687X



LEGEND

- CSXT Operating Corridor
- Proposed Abandonment
- Total Distance = 1.67 Miles +/-

SOUTHERN REGION
ATLANTA DIVISION
ATLANTA TERMINAL SUBDIVISION
AG SPUR
P.S. 0+00 to 88+00 (E.O.T.)
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(Sub. No. 687X)

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EXHIBIT "A"

CSX TRANSPORTATION

**Proposed Abandonment of the
AG Spur**

a distance of 1.67 Miles +/-

Located in College Park,
Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia



SCALE: 1" = 1000 Feet

Revised: June 4, 2008
Drawn By: L. Fenwick

EXHIBIT C

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 (d) (1), the undersigned hereby certifies that notice of the proposed abandonment in Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X) was mailed via first class mail on July 14, 2008, to the following parties:

State Public Service Commission

Georgia Public Service Commission
244 Washington Street, SW
Atlanta GA, 30334

Military Traffic Management Command

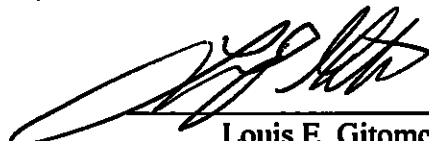
MTMC TEA
ATTN: Railroads for National Defense
720 Thimble Shoals Blvd.
Suite 130
Newport News, VA 23606-2574

National Park Service

Ms Cherri Espersen
National Recreation Trail Coordinator
Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program National Park Service
1849 C Street, NW (Org Code 2240)
Washington, DC 20240-0001

U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Department of Agriculture
Chief of the Forest Service
4th Floor N.W., Auditors' Building
14th Street and Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, DC 20250



Louis E. Gitomer
July 25, 2008

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that notice of the proposed abandonment in Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X) was advertised on July 17, 2008 in The Atlanta Journal and Constitution, a newspaper of general circulation in Fulton and Clayton Counties, GA, as required by 49 C.F.R. § 1105.12.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Gitomer', is written over a horizontal line.

Louis E. Gitomer
July 25, 2008

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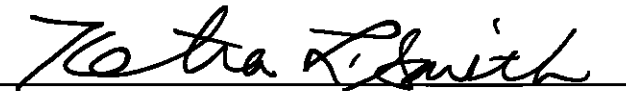
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STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF FULTON

ANNETTE TYSON, personally appeared before me, the undersigned Notary Public, who states she is a **LEGAL NOTICE CLERK** for **THE ATLANTA JOURNAL AND CONSTITUTION** newspaper, a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Atlanta, Georgia, and who further states under oath that the Advertisement attached hereto and made part of this affidavit appeared in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution on the following date(s): **JULY 17, 2008**.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME.

THIS 21ST DAY OF JULY 2008


(NOTARY SIGNATURE)

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAY 19, 2009

Geek c2 cities

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Academy, a pilot program of Best Buy, a big-box electronics store's computer service and repair division, which is taking its summer camp to 12 cities this year. Girls from Cobb, Fulton and DeKalb counties clamored to get into the camp.

The Atlanta camp filled up in four days, with 200 more applicants turned away, said Girl Scout officials.

The Girl Scout Council of Northwest Georgia partnered with the Geek Squad camp, offering the camp opportunity to Scouts.

"It was a perfect fit for us," said Katie Bower, the council's special projects coordinator. "To stay relevant for girls in today's society, Girl Scouts offer Internet safety badges, car mechanics and use the annual cookie sales as a way to teach girls budgeting, finance and marketing skills," she said.

In another program, Girls

Ardek, who is based at Best Buy in Richfield, Minn., "I got tired of being the only girl on our service team," said Hardek. "I'm an information technology veteran. It's very rare to see a woman in IT. Hopefully, we can break that barrier. Girls shy away from it as a way of making them more comfortable with technology."

Hardek helped write the curriculum. She built in fun breakout sessions, such as interactive, video games, playing guitars, drums, digital cameras,ASURE hunts and relay races, computer parts.

Giving up swim time for camp wasn't a hardship for Haylee Hyatt, a sixth grader at DeKalb's Kittredge Magnet School.

"It's totally worth it," she said. "I love computers more than TV. If I wasn't here, I'd go swimming or play on my computer. The only thing that doesn't bother

Civil: Don't use city funds, critics say

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human rights center would help create a critical mass of attractions."

"What you are seeing is this sort of museum central downtown," said Tim Mescon, who becomes president of Columbus State University in August. "To me that's what we are creating. We are late in the game, but it



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Changes to the Channel Line
Effective August 15, 2008, Comcast will make the changes to the line-up on its cable system serving Canyon, Cobb, Coweta, Southern Cherokee, DeKalb, Douglas, Gwinnett, Henry, Newton, Rockdale, Spalding and Walton Counties at Comcast's Wallingford, the 1890 (an) Network (channel 297) as part of the Sports and Entertainment Tier. For inquiries or to subscribe, please contact 404 Comcast, 212 551-5555.

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) gives notice that on or about July 25, 2008, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of abandonment under 49 CFR 1152.33(a) for abandonment of 67 miles of rail line known as the Atlanta Southern Region, Atlanta Division, Atlanta Terminal, 545 and 546th Streets, Park Avenue, Valuation Station 0-00 and the end of the line at Valuation Station 88+00, Fulton and Clayton Counties, GA, which traverses through United States Postal Service ZIP Code 30337. Within proceedings will be docketed as No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 5870) in 49 CFR 1152.33(a). The Board's Section of Environmental Analysis will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice of abandonment. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public and will be addressed in a final decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to the Section of Environmental Analysis, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, or by calling that office at 202-245-0255.

Appropriate persons should be given notice of the proposed abandonment assistance (1) by the rail carrier, which can be filed with the Board, 1104 3rd St., NE, Atlanta, GA 30309, or (2) by the Board's original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of the Secretary, 53995, E. Street, SW, Washington, DC 20423 (See 49 CFR 1104.16) and 1104.30(a). One copy must also be filed on any claim, demand, or counterclaim (49 CFR 1110.12(a)). Questions regarding offers of financial assistance may be directed to the Board's Office of Congressional and Public Services at 202-245-0233. Copies of any comments or requests for conditions should be served on the applicant's representative, Louis E. Grone, Esq., Office of Legal Affairs, Grone & Grone, 202-466-5532, email at Lou.Grone@grone.com.

NOTICE OF SEIZURE
The U.S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation Division, has seized a 2008 Mercedes VIN: J4GC85686A003428 (a property forfeitable under 18 U.S.C. (Statute) Section 981) for violation of 18 U.S.C. (Statute) Section 981. Any person claiming an ownership interest in this property must file a claim, no later than 30 days after July 31, 2008, the date of final publication of the notice in accordance with 18 USC 983 (a)(2)(B). The claim must be filed with the Atlanta Field Office, Special Agent in Charge, Attn: Asset Forfeiture Coordinator, 401 W. Peachtree Street, Room 500, Atlanta, Georgia 30308, on or before September 5, 2008. Otherwise, the property will be forfeited and disposed of according to law. Mail the claim to the Internal Revenue Service at the above address and reference seizure #58980030. For more information, call 1-800-955-5239.

Have applied to the City of Atlanta for a Retail package, food store selling Beer and Wine (Change of Ownership) at 64 Walton Street, Atlanta, GA 30303. Hearing to be held by the License Review board, August 19, 2008, 5 p.m., 2nd floor Committee Room #2155 Trinity Ave., Atlanta, GA. Jae James Lee, Agent.

Have applied to the City of Atlanta for a Restaurant serving liquor, beer & wine for on-premise consumption.

EXHIBIT D– ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

**ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(c) and .11, the undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the Environmental Report in Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X) was mailed via first class mail on June 27, 2008 to the following parties:

Mr. Jeff Metarco, Director
Clayton County Planning Department
7690 N. McDonough St
Building B
Jonesboro, GA 30236

Mr. Randy Beck, Director
Fulton County Planning Department
141 Pryor Street
Suite 2085
Atlanta, GA 30303

Mr. Jack Longino, Mayor
City of College Park
3667 Main Street
College Park, GA 30337

Mr Bill Johnston
City of College Park Planning Department
1883 Princeton Avenue
College Park, GA 30337

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 4
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center
61 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, GA 30303-3104

Georgia Environmental Protection Division
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
Suite 1152 East Tower
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Mr. Jackson Myers.
City of College Park
3667 Main Street
College Park, GA 30337

U S. Army Corps of Engineers
Savannah District
PO Box 889
Savannah, GA 31402-0889

U.S. Department of the Interior
Fish & Wildlife Service
105 West Park Drive
Suite D
Athens, GA 30606

USDA – NRCS
Federal Building, Box 13
355 East Hancock Ave
Athens, GA 30601

Ms. Barbara Jackson
Georgia State Clearinghouse
270 Washington Street, SW
8th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30334

National Park Service
Southeast Region
100 Alabama Street, SW
1924 Building
Atlanta, GA 30303

Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Coastal Resources Division
One Conservation Way
Suite 300
Brunswick, GA 31520

DOC/NOAA
National Geodetic Survey N/NGS23
(Via Email)


Louis F. Gitomer
July 25, 2008

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

**CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.
College Park, Clayton and Fulton Counties, Georgia
Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X)**

The following information is provided in accordance with 49 C.F.R. Section 1105.7:

(1) PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES

Describe the proposed action, including commodities transported, the planned disposition (if any) of any rail line and other structures that may be involved, and any possible changes in current operations or maintenance practices. Also describe any reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. Include a readable, detailed map and drawings clearly delineating the project.

CSX Transportation (CSXT) proposes to abandon 1.67 miles of rail line from Valuation Station 0+00 to Valuation Station 88+00 (near Milepost XXB 10), known as the AG Lead, in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia

The above referenced 1.67 mile line has not been used in over two years. Rail service will no longer be required on this line segment, no new rail oriented business is expected to develop, and the line is no longer required for operating purposes.

Further, CSXT is working with the City of College Park for their potential acquisition of this corridor through a Notice of Interim Trail Use during the abandonment process.

Abandonment of this line will result in the removal of the rail, crossties and three (3) at-grade crossings; subsequently, the operations and maintenance of this line will cease.

The only alternative would be not to abandon and to pass the operating loss and capital costs of retaining the line to all other CSXT customers. This would not be a prudent utilization of carrier resources.

Two maps, which delineate the proposed project, are attached. (See Attachments 1 and 2)

Further attached is a distribution list of all parties who have received a copy of this report. (See Attachment 3)

(2) TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Describe the effects of the proposed action on regional or local transportation systems and patterns. Estimate the amount of traffic (passenger or freight) that will be diverted to other transportation systems or modes as a result of the proposed action.

There is no passenger traffic on this line. Since there will no longer be any freight traffic on this line, there will be no effect on existing regional or local transportation systems or patterns.

(3) LAND USE

- (I) Based on consultation with local and/or regional planning agencies and/or a review of the official planning documents prepared by such agencies, state whether the proposed action is consistent with existing land use plans. Describe any inconsistencies.**

Applicant received a response dated July 8, 2008 from Mr. Jeff Metarco, Director of Clayton County Planning Department stating *"...we do not foresee any land use or environmental issues with the abandonment."* Mr. Metarco further states *"We recommend either the City of College Park or Clayton County receive ownership of this corridor for inclusion into a future Trail System within Clayton County."* (See Attachment 4)

Applicant has not received a response to its June 9, 2008 inquiry to Mr. Randy Beck, Director of Fulton County Planning Department requesting information regarding this statement. (See Attachment 5)

Applicant received a response dated June 17, 2008 from Mr. Jack Longino, Mayor of the City of College Park, stating *"This proposed action would be consistent with College Park's existing land use plans."* (See Attachment 6)

Since Applicant is working with the City of College Park for its potential acquisition of the rail line through the Notice of Interim Trail Use procedure, Applicant does not feel that the proposed action is inconsistent with any further local land use plans.

- (II) Based on consultation with the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, state the effect of the proposed action on any prime agricultural land.**

Applicant received a response dated June 25, 2008 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service in Athens, Georgia stating *"There are soils of "Prime and Statewide Important Farmland" contiguous to the CSX line that is*

being considered for abandonment. However, because the CSX rail line is included in an area designated Urban/built-up in the 2000 Census Report, this area is exempt from the Farmland Protection Policy Act." (See Attachment 7)

- (iii) If the action affects land or water uses within a designated coastal zone, include the coastal zone information required by 1105.9.**

Applicant received a response dated June 23, 2008 from Ms. Kelie Moore of the Georgia Coastal Resources Division stating "Fulton and Clayton Counties are not within Georgia's Coastal Zone Management." (See Attachment 8)

- (iv) If the proposed action is an abandonment, state whether or not the right of way is suitable for alternative public use under 49 U.S.C. 10906 and explain why.**

The properties proposed to be abandoned may be suitable for other public purposes, but may be subject to reversionary interests that may affect transfer of title for other than rail purposes.

(4) ENERGY

- (i) Describe the effect of the proposed action on transportation of energy resources.**

Removal of this redundant line will have no adverse impact on the current or future transportation of energy resources.

- (ii) Describe the effect of the proposed action on recyclable commodities.**

The proposed action will have no effect on the movement and/or recovery of recyclable commodities.

- (iii) State whether the proposed action will result in an increase or decrease in overall energy efficiency and explain why.**

The proposed action will not result in an increase or decrease in overall energy efficiency.

- (iv) If the proposed action will cause diversions from rail to motor carriage of more than: (A) 1,000 rail carloads a year; or (B) an average of 50 rail carloads per mile per year for any part of the affected line, quantify the resulting net change in energy consumption and show the data and methodology used to arrive at the figure given.**

There will be no diversion of rail traffic to motor carriage.

(5) AIR

- (i) If the proposed action will result in either: (A) an increase in rail traffic of at least 100% (measured in gross ton miles annually) or an increase of at least eight trains a day on any segment of rail line affected by the proposal, or (B) an increase in rail yard activity of at least 100% (measured by carload activity), or (C) an average increase in truck traffic of more than 10% of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles a day on any affected road segment, quantify the anticipated effect on air emissions.

The above thresholds will not be exceeded.

- (ii) If the proposed action affects a class I or non-attainment area under the Clean Air Act; and will it result in either: (A) an increase in rail traffic of at least 50% (measured in gross ton miles annually) or an increase of at least three trains a day on any segment of rail line, or (B) an increase in rail yard activity of at least 20% (measured by carload activity), or (C) an average increase in truck traffic of more than 10% of the average daily traffic or 50 vehicles a day on a given road segment, then state whether any expected increased emissions are within the parameters established by the State Implementation Plan.

The above thresholds will not be exceeded.

- (iii) If transportation of ozone depleting materials (such as nitrogen oxide and freon) is contemplated, identify: the materials and quantity, the frequency of service; safety practices (including any speed restriction); the applicant's safety record (to the extent available) on derailments, accidents and spills; contingency plans to deal with accidental spills; and the likelihood of an accidental release of ozone depleting materials in the event of a collision or derailment.

Not applicable.

(6) NOISE

If any of the thresholds identified in Item (5)(i) of this section are surpassed, state whether the proposed action will cause: (i) an incremental increase in noise levels of three decibels Ldn or more, or (ii) an increase to a noise level of 65 decibels Ldn or greater. If so, identify sensitive receptors (e.g., schools, libraries, hospitals, residences, retirement communities, and nursing homes) in the project area, and quantify the noise increase for these receptors if the thresholds are surpassed.

The above thresholds will not be exceeded.

(7) SAFETY

- (i) Describe any effects of the proposed action on public health and safety (including vehicle delay time at railroad grade crossings).**

Applicant believes that the abandonment will result in improvement to public safety by the elimination of three (3) public, at-grade road crossings.

- (ii) If hazardous materials are expected to be transported, identify: the materials and quantity; the frequency of service; whether chemicals are being transported that, if mixed, could react to form more hazardous compounds; safety practices (including any speed restrictions); the applicant's safety record (to the extent available) on derailments, accidents and hazardous spills; the contingency plans to deal with accidental spills; and the likelihood of an accidental release of hazardous materials.**

Not applicable.

- (iii) If there are any known hazardous waste sites or sites where there have been known hazardous material spills on the right of way, identify the location of those sites and the types of hazardous materials involved.**

Applicant's records do not indicate any known hazardous material spills or hazardous waste sites.

(8) BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

- (i) Based on consultation with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, state whether the proposed action is likely to adversely affect endangered or threatened species or areas designated as a critical habitat, and if so, describe the effects.**

Applicant received a response dated June 24, 2008 from the U.S. Department of the Interior – Fish and Wildlife Service in Athens, Georgia stating *"Based on the information provided, the proposed action is not expected to significantly impact fish and wildlife resources under the US Fish and Wildlife Service jurisdiction."* (See Attachment 9)

- (ii) State whether wildlife sanctuaries or refuges, National or State parks or forests will be affected, and describe any effects.**

Based upon Applicant's review of the area, the line is not within any wildlife sanctuaries or refuges, National or State parks or forests.

(9) WATER

- (i) Based on consultation with State water quality officials, state whether the proposed action is consistent with applicable Federal, State or local water quality standards. Describe any inconsistencies.**

Applicant received a CSXT Environmental Report Response Form dated July 11, 2008 from Mr. Mark Smith – Branch Chief of the Georgia Department of Environmental Protection in Atlanta, Georgia confirming “No Environmental Impact” for the proposed action. (See Attachment 10)

- (ii) Based on consultation with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, state whether permits under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) are required for the proposed action and whether any designated wetlands or 100-year flood plains will be affected. Describe the effects.**

Applicant has not received a response to its June 9, 2008 request to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Savannah, Georgia for information regarding this statement. (See Attachment 11)

Applicant is not aware of any designated wetlands or 100-year flood plains within the proposed project.

Upon receiving abandonment authority, removal of material will be accomplished by use of the right of way for access, along with existing public and private crossings, and no new access roads are contemplated. Applicant does not intend to disturb any of the underlying road-bed or perform any activities that would cause sedimentation or erosion of the soil, and do not anticipate any dredging or use of fill in the removal of the track material. The cross-ties and/or other debris will be transported away from the rail line and will not be discarded along the right of way nor be placed or left in streams or wetlands, or along the banks of such waterways. Also, during track removal, appropriate measures will be implemented to prevent or control spills from fuels, lubricants or any other pollutant materials from entering any waterways. Based upon this course of action, Applicant does not believe a permit under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act will be required.

- (iii) **State whether permits under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1342) are required for the proposed action. (Applicants should contact the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency or the state environmental protection or equivalent agency if they are unsure whether such permits are required).**

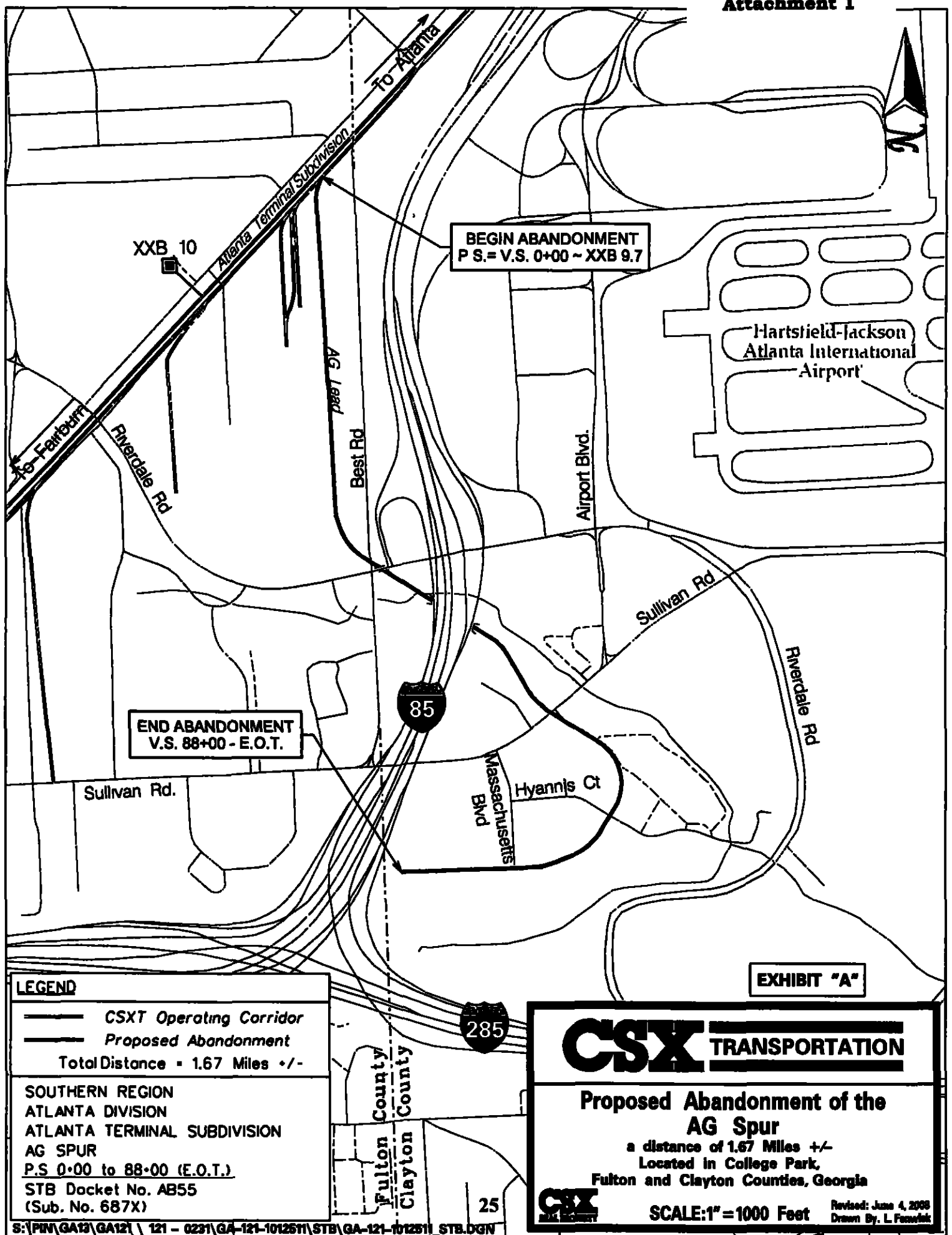
Applicant has not received a response to its June 9, 2008 request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency State Office Atlanta, Georgia, for information regarding this statement. (See Attachment 12)

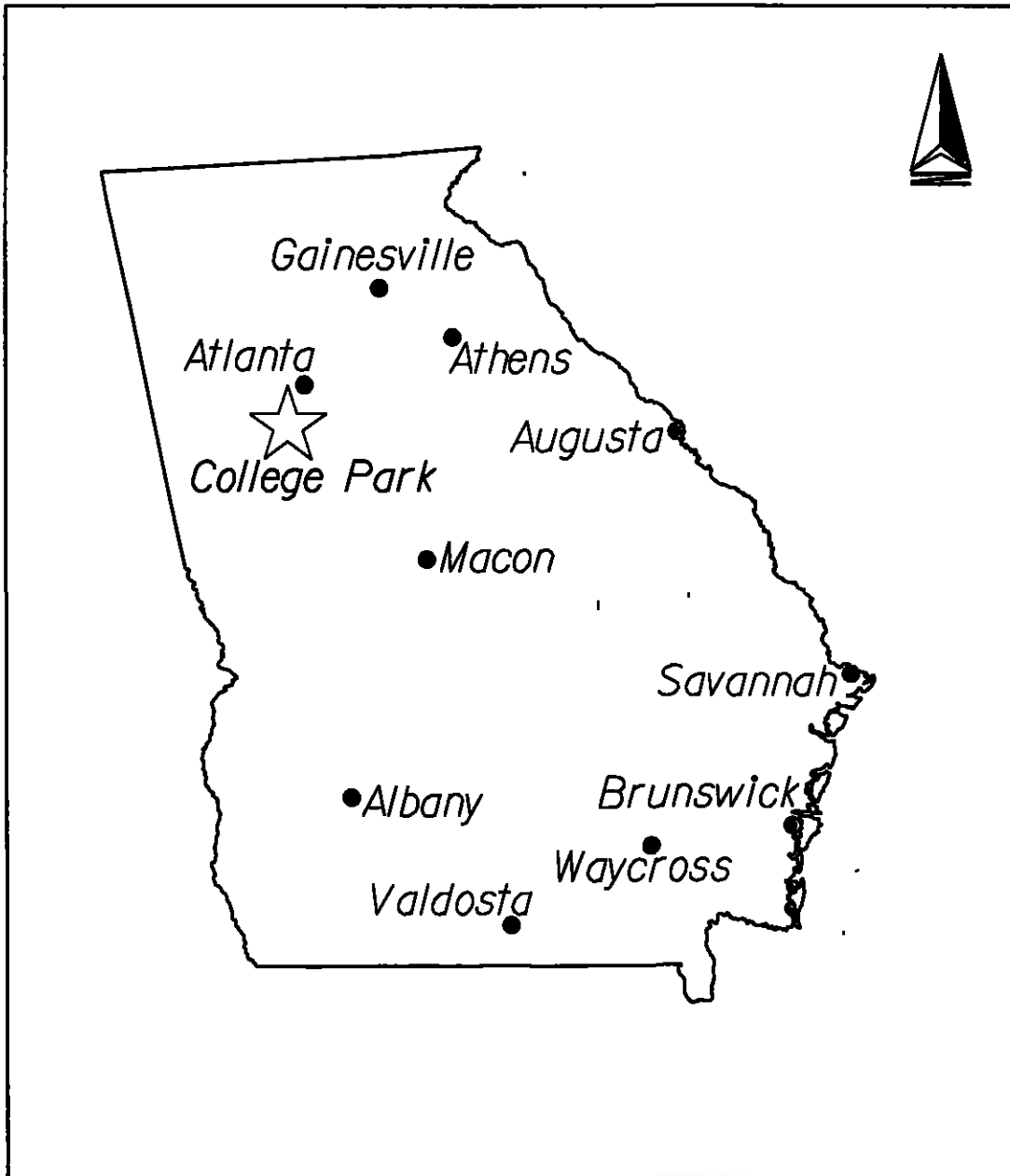
Based upon the course of action described in Section 9 (ii), Applicant does not believe a permit under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act will be required.

10. MITIGATION

Describe any actions that are proposed to mitigate adverse environmental impacts, indicating why the proposed mitigation is appropriate.

Applicant does not believe there will be any adverse environmental impacts in the project area as a result of this abandonment. However, Applicant will comply with reasonable State and Federal regulations and obtain any necessary permits required.





AREA MAP

Proposed Abandonment of 1.67 Miles +/-,
known as the 'AG' Lead in College Park,
Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia
STB Docket No. AB 55 - Sub. No. 687X

Attachment 3

**External Distribution List
AB 55 Sub No. 687X
College Park, Fulton & Clayton Counties, Georgia**

**Mr. Jeff Metarco, Director
Clayton County Planning Department
7690 N. McDonough St.
Building B
Jonesboro, GA 30236**

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Savannah District
PO Box 889
Savannah, GA 31402-0889**

**Mr. Randy Beck, Director
Fulton County Planning Department
141 Pryor Street
Suite 2085
Atlanta, GA 30303**

**U.S. Department of the Interior
Fish & Wildlife Service
105 West Park Drive
Suite D
Athens, GA 30606**

**Mr. Jack Longino, Mayor
City of College Park
3667 Main Street
College Park, GA 30337**

**USDA – NRCS
Federal Building, Box 13
355 East Hancock Ave
Athens, GA 30601**

**Mr. Bill Johnston
City of College Park Planning Department
1883 Princeton Avenue
College Park, GA 30337**

**Ms. Barbara Jackson
Georgia State Clearinghouse
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**United States Environmental Protection
Agency
Region 4
Sam Nunn Atlanta Federal Center
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**National Park Service
Southeast Region
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1924 Building
Atlanta, GA 30303**

**Georgia Environmental Protection Division
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Atlanta, Georgia 30334**

**Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Coastal Resources Division
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Brunswick, GA 31520**

**Mr. Jackson Myers,
City of College Park
3667 Main Street
College Park, GA 30337**

**DOC/NOAA
National Geodetic Survey N/NGS23
(Via Email)**

Attachment 4

**Clayton County
Department of
Transportation and Development**

7960 North McDonough Street
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Jeff Metarko
Interim Director

Andrew C. Adams, P.E.
Deputy Director

July 8, 2008

Mr. Dave Geraci, Manager – Network Rationalization
CSX Transportation
500 Water Street – J200
Jacksonville, FL 32202
Ph: 904-633-1068 / Fax: 904-245-2226

REF: Proposed abandonment of 1.67 miles of railroad from Valuation Station 0+00 (near Railroad Milepost XXB 10) to Valuation Station 88+10, known as the AG Lead in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia

Dear Mr. Geraci:

I have reviewed the supplied information from your June 9, 2008 and June 27, 2008 correspondence concerning the proposed abandonment of a rail line "AG Lead" in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, in Georgia. Furthermore, I have discussed this issue with the County's Planning and Zoning Department and Economic Development, we do not foresee any land use or environmental issues with the abandonment.

In the Environmental Report provided with your June 27, 2008 correspondence, a reference was made to the City of College Park for the City's acquisition of this corridor through a Notice of Interim Trail. We agree this rail line could serve as a future trail link to the County's Trail System. We recommend either the City of College Park or Clayton County receive ownership of this corridor for inclusion into a future Trail System within Clayton County.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at your earliest convenience at 770-477-3686.

Sincerely,



Jeff Metarko, Interim Director

/s/

Cc: File



Attachment 5

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Dave Geraci
Manager - Network Rationalization

June 9, 2008

**Mr. Randy Beck, Director
Fulton County Planning Department
141 Pryor Street
Suite 2085
Atlanta, GA 30303**

Dear Mr. Beck:

Please be advised that CSX Transportation, Inc. is considering abandonment of a portion of its rail line from Valuation Station 0+00 (near Railroad Milepost XXB 10) to the end of track at Valuation Station 88+10 a distance of 1.67 miles known as the "AG Lead" in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia, as depicted on the attached map.

This action requires Surface Transportation Board approval and Federal Regulations 49 C.F.R. 1105.7(3)(i) require that CSXT develop a response to the following statement:

"Based on consultation with local and/or regional planning agencies and/or a review of the official planning documents prepared by such agencies, state whether the proposed action is consistent with existing land use plans. Describe any inconsistencies."

CSXT would appreciate your advice as to the existence of a long-range comprehensive planning map for Fulton County and the line's relationship to such planning.

As further information, CSXT will provide a preliminary environmental report in the coming weeks which will outline the scope of the proposed salvage activity and include any comments received from your office.

Further enclosed, please find a distribution list of all parties that have been copied of the proposed action.

Sincerely,

Attachment



CITY OF COLLEGE PARK

P O. BOX 87137 • COLLEGE PARK, GA. 30337 • 404/767-1537

June 17, 2008

**Dave Geraci
Manager-Network Rationalization
CSX Transportation
500 Water Street-J200
Jacksonville, Florida 32202**

Dear Mr. Geraci:

The City of College Park supports CSX Transportation, Inc.'s proposal to seek approval from the Surface Transportation Board to abandon a portion of its rail line from Valuation Station 0+00 (near Railroad Milepost XXB 10) to the end of track at Valuation Station 88+10 a distance of 1.67 miles known as the "AG Lead" in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia. This proposed action would be consistent with College Park's existing land use plans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jack P. Longino". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

**Jack P. Longino
Mayor**



Natural Resources Conservation Service
355 East Hancock Avenue
Athens, GA 30601

Attachment 7

June 25, 2008

Mr. Dave Geraci
CXT Transportation
500 Water Street - J200
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Re: Rail Line abandonment, from Valuation Station 0+00 to the end of track at Valuation Station 88+10, known as the "AG Lead" in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia

Dear Mr. Geraci:

This letter is in response to your request for Important Farmland Classification for land contiguous to the CSX rail line stated above.

There are soils of "Prime and Statewide Important Farmland" contiguous to the CSX line that is being considered for abandonment. However, because the CSX rail line is included in an area designated Urban/built-up in the 2000 Census Report, this area is exempt from the Farmland Protection Policy Act.

If you need additional information, please contact me at (706) 546-2278

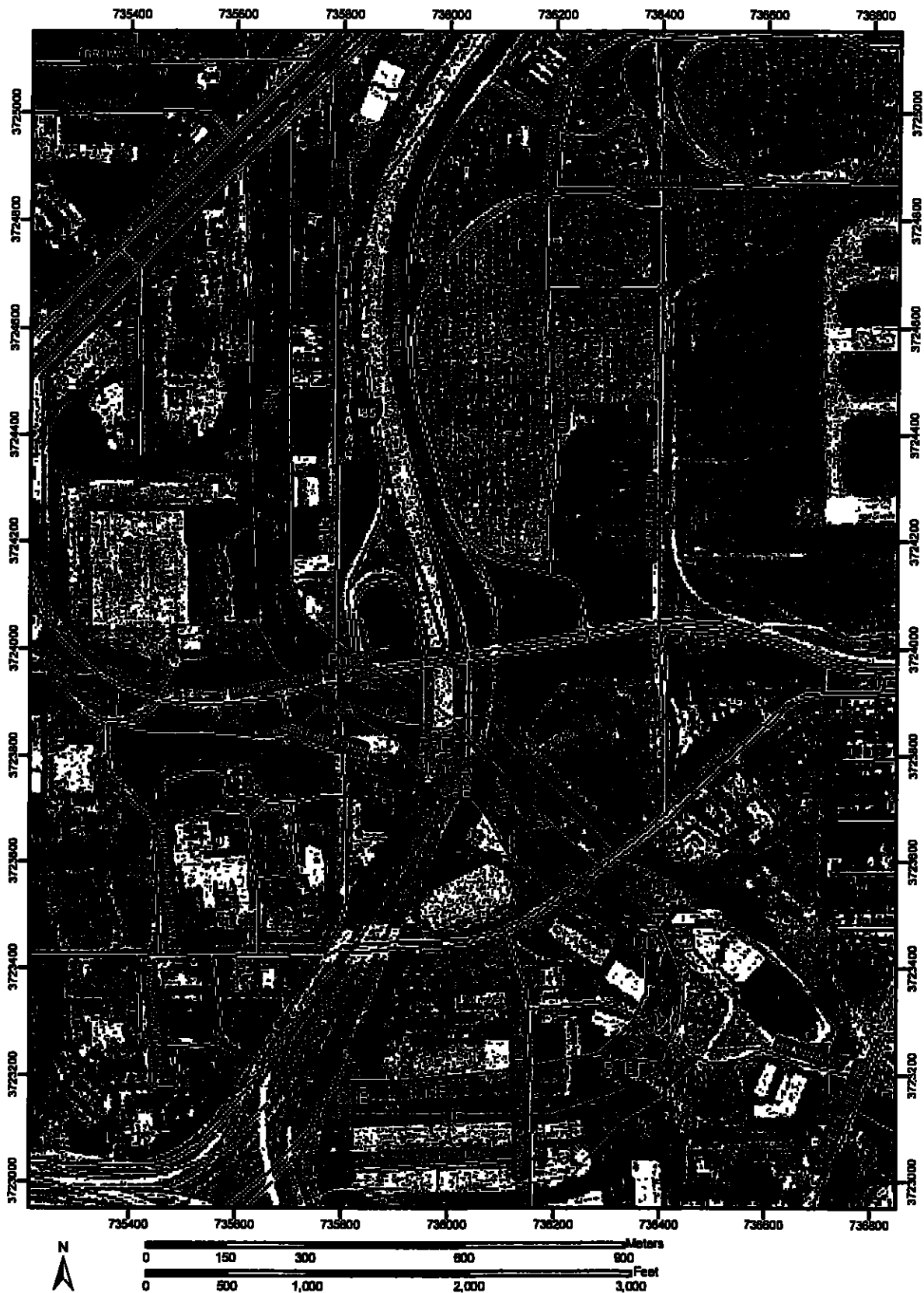
Sincerely,

EDWARD P. EALY
State Soil Scientist

Enclosure

cc. Valerie Pickard, District Conservationist, NRCS, Marietta, GA
Cindy Askew, District Conservationist, NRCS, LaFayette, GA

Farmland Classification—Clayton, Fayette, and Henry Counties, Georgia, and Fulton County, Georgia
(CSX - Best Road)



Natural Resources
Conservation Service

Web Soil Survey 2.0
National Cooperative Soil Survey

6/25/2008
Page 1 of 3



June 23, 2008

Mr. Dave Geraci
CSX Transportation
500 Water Street – J200
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

RE: Consistency Determination for Abandonment of AG Lead Tracks, College Park, Fulton
and Clayton Counties, Georgia

Dear Mr. Geraci:

Staff of the Coastal Management Program has reviewed your June 9, 2008 letter and attached description. Fulton and Clayton Counties are not within Georgia's Coastal Zone Management Area and a Federal Consistency Determination is not required for the above referenced project. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

Kelie Moore
Federal Consistency Coordinator

Attachment 9

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JUN 16 2008

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Dave Geraci
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U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service
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Phone: 706-613-9493 Fax 706-613-8059

FWS Log No 2008-FA-1154

U.S. Department of the Interior
Fish & Wildlife Service
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Athens, GA 30606

Based on the information provided, the proposed action is not expected to significantly impact fish and wildlife resources under the U S Fish and Wildlife Service jurisdiction

Sandra S. Tucker, Field Supervisor

6/24/2008
Date

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that CSX Transportation, Inc. is considering abandonment of a portion of its rail line from Valuation Station 0+00 (near Railroad Milepost XXB 10) to the end of track at Valuation Station 88+10 a distance of 1.67 miles known as the "AG Lead" in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia, as depicted on the attached map.

The action requires Surface Transportation Board approval and Federal Regulations 49 C.F.R. 1105.7 (8) (i) and (ii) require that CSXT develop responses to the following statements:

- (i) Based on consultation with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service state whether the proposed action is likely to adversely effect endangered or threatened species or areas designated as a critical habitat, and if so, describe the effects.
- (ii) State whether wildlife sanctuaries or refuges, National or State parks or forests will be affected, and describe any effects.

The removal of CSXT's rail material will be accomplished by use of the right of way for access, along with existing public and private crossings, and no new access roads are contemplated. CSXT does not intend to disturb any of the underlying roadbeds and do not anticipate any dredging or use of fill in the removal of the track material. The crossties and/or other debris will be transported away from the rail line and will not be discarded along the right of way, nor be placed or left in streams or wetlands, or along the banks of such waterways. During track removal, appropriate measures will be implemented to prevent or control spills from fuels, lubricants or any other materials from entering any watercourses.

Based upon the above described actions, CSXT would appreciate your concurrence in its position that there would be no adverse impact to any federally-listed endangered or threatened species, critical habitats, wildlife sanctuaries or refuges, National or State parks, or forests.

As further information, CSXT will provide a preliminary environmental report in the coming weeks which will outline the scope of the proposed salvage activity (as stated above) and include any comments received from your office.

Further enclosed, please find a distribution list of all parties that have been copied of the proposed action.

Sincerely,

Attachment

CSXT Environmental Report Response Form

STB Docket Number AB 55 Sub No. 687X

Notice of Exemption from Valuation Station 0+00 (near Railroad Milepost XXB 10) to Valuation Station 88+10, known as the AG Lead in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia.

Agency response (check one):

☒ No Environmental Impact☐ Environmental Impact as follows (or attached):

Date:

11 July 2008

Signature:

Mark Smith

Name:

Mark Smith

Title:

Branch ChiefHazardous Waste Management BranchGeorgia Environmental Protection Division



Dave Geraci
Manager - Network Rationalization

Attachment 11

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June 9, 2008

United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region 4
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61 Forsyth Street, SW
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Gentlemen:

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This action requires Surface Transportation Board approval and Federal Regulations 49 C.F.R. 1105.7 (9) (i) and (iii) require that CSXT develop a response to the following statements:

(i) "Based on consultation with State Water quality officials, state whether the proposed action is consistent with applicable Federal, State or local water quality standards. Describe any inconsistencies."

(iii) State whether permits under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act 33 U.S.C. 1342 are required for the proposed action."

There are no refueling or maintenance areas within the project area. The removal of CSXT's rail material will be accomplished by use of the right of way for access, along with existing public and private crossings, and no new access roads are contemplated. CSXT does not intend to disturb any of the underlying roadbeds and do not anticipate any dredging or use of fill in the removal of the track material. The crossties and/or other debris will be transported away from the rail line and will not be discarded along the right of way, nor be placed or left in streams or wetlands, or along the banks of such waterways. During track removal, appropriate measures will be implemented to prevent or control spills from fuels, lubricants or any other pollutant materials from entering any watercourses.

Based upon the above described actions, CSXT would appreciate receiving your concurrence with its position that the proposed project is consistent with applicable Federal, State and local water quality standards, and that no permits under Section 402 are required at this time.

As further information, CSXT will provide a preliminary environmental report in the coming weeks which will outline the scope of the proposed salvage activity (as stated above) and include any comments received from your office.

Further enclosed, please find a distribution list of all parties that have been copied of the proposed action.

Sincerely,

Attachment



TRANSPORTATION
Dave Geraci
Manager - Network Rationalization

Attachment 12

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June 9, 2008

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Savannah District
PO Box 889
Savannah, GA 31402-0889

Gentlemen:

Please be advised that CSX Transportation, Inc. is considering abandonment of a portion of its rail line from Valuation Station 0+00 (near Railroad Milepost XXB 10) to the end of track at Valuation Station 88+10 a distance of 1.67 miles known as the "AG Lead" in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia, as depicted on the attached map.

This action requires Surface Transportation Board approval and Federal Regulations 49 C.F.R. 1105.7(9)(ii) require that CSXT develop a response to the following statement:

"Based on consultation with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, state whether permits under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344) are required for the proposed action and whether any designated wetlands or 100 year flood plains will be affected. Describe the effects."

It is CSXT's opinion that there will be no impact on designated wetlands or 100-year flood plains because our intent at this time is to only remove CSXT's metal track material, crossties and perhaps the upper layer of ballast, and to preserve the existing routes of water flow and drainage. CSXT does not intend to disturb any of the underlying roadbeds or perform any activities that would cause sedimentation or erosion of the soil, and CSXT does not anticipate any dredging or use of fill in the removal of the track material. The track removal will be accomplished by use of the right of way for access, along with existing public and private crossings, and no new access roads are contemplated. The crossties and/or other debris will be transported away from the rail line and will not be discarded along the right of way, nor be placed or left in streams or wetlands, or along the banks of such waterways.

Based upon the above described actions, CSXT would appreciate your concurrence in its position that there would be no adverse impact on wetlands or 100-year flood plains, and that no permits under Section 404 will be required.

As further information, CSXT will provide a preliminary environmental report in the coming weeks which will outline the scope of the proposed salvage activity (as stated above) and include any comments received from your office.

Further enclosed, please find a distribution list of all parties that have been copied of the proposed action.

Sincerely,

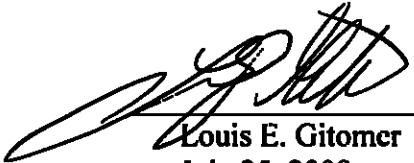
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EXHIBIT E- HISTORIC REPORT

**HISTORIC REPORT
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

Pursuant to the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 1105.8(c) and .11, the undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the Historic Report in Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X) was mailed via first class mail on June 19, 2008, to the following parties:

Mr. Noel A. Holcomb, SHPO
Historic Preservation Division/DNR
34 Peachtree Street, NW
Suite 1600
Atlanta, GA 30303-2316



Louis E. Gitomer
July 25, 2008

HISTORIC REPORT

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.
College Park, Clayton and Fulton Counties, Georgia
Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X)

1105.7(e)(1)

PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES. Describe the proposed action, including commodities transported, the planned disposition (if any) of any rail line and other structures that may be involved, and any possible changes in current operations or maintenance practices. Also describe any reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. Include a readable detailed map and drawings clearly delineating the project.

CSX Transportation (CSXT) proposes to abandon 1.67 miles of rail line from Valuation Station 0+00 to Valuation Station 88+00 (near Milepost XXB 10), known as the AG Lead, in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia

The above referenced 1.67 mile line has not been used in over two years. Rail service will no longer be required on this line segment, no new rail oriented business is expected to develop and the line is no longer required for operating purposes.

Further, CSXT is working with the City of College Park for their potential acquisition of this corridor through a Notice of Interim Trail Use during the abandonment process.

Abandonment of this line will result in the removal of the rail, crossties and three (3) at-grade crossings; subsequently, the operations and maintenance of this line will cease.

The only alternative would be not to abandon and to pass the operating loss and capital costs of retaining the line to all other CSXT customers. This would not be a prudent utilization of carrier resources.

Two maps, which delineate the proposed project, are attached. (See Attachments 1 and 2)

1105.8(d)

- (1) A U.S.G.S. topographic map (or an alternate map drawn to scale and sufficiently detailed to show buildings and other structures in the vicinity of the proposed action) showing the location of the proposed action, and the locations and approximate dimensions of railroad structures that are 50 years old or older and are part of the proposed action.**

Attached is a copy of the Southwest Atlanta quadrangle topographic map prepared by the U. S. Department of Interior Geological Survey prepared. The line to be abandoned has been identified by a red with black dashed line. (See Attachment 3)

There are no CSXT-owned structures that are 50 years old or older, which may be eligible for listing in the National Register as a part of the proposed action.

- (2) A written description of the right of way (including approximate widths, to the extent known), and the topography and urban and/or rural characteristic of the surrounding area:**

The right of way widths along this line is estimated at 25 feet from the center-line of track. The rail line traverses some light industrial and business locations of College Park, Georgia

- (3) Good quality photographs (actual photographic prints, not photocopies) of railroad structures on the property that are 50 years old or older and of the immediately surrounding area:**

Not Applicable.

- (4) The date(s) of construction of the structure(s), and the date(s) and extent of any major alterations, to the extent such information is known:**

Not Applicable.

- (5) A brief narrative history of carrier operations in the area, and an explanation of what, if any, changes are contemplated as a result of the proposed action:**

The line proposed for abandonment was originally acquired and constructed between 1962 and 1970 by the Atlanta and West Point Railroad (AWP). The AWP was chartered in 1847 as the

Atlanta and LaGrange Railroad. Through a series of mergers and acquisitions, the AWP became part of the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad. In 1986 Chessie, Seaboard and all of their affiliates (including Seaboard Coast Line) merged to form CSX Transportation.

Upon receiving abandonment authority, Applicant's operations and maintenance over this line will cease.

- (6) A brief summary of documents in the carrier's possession, such as engineering drawings, that might be useful in documenting a structure that is found to be historic:**

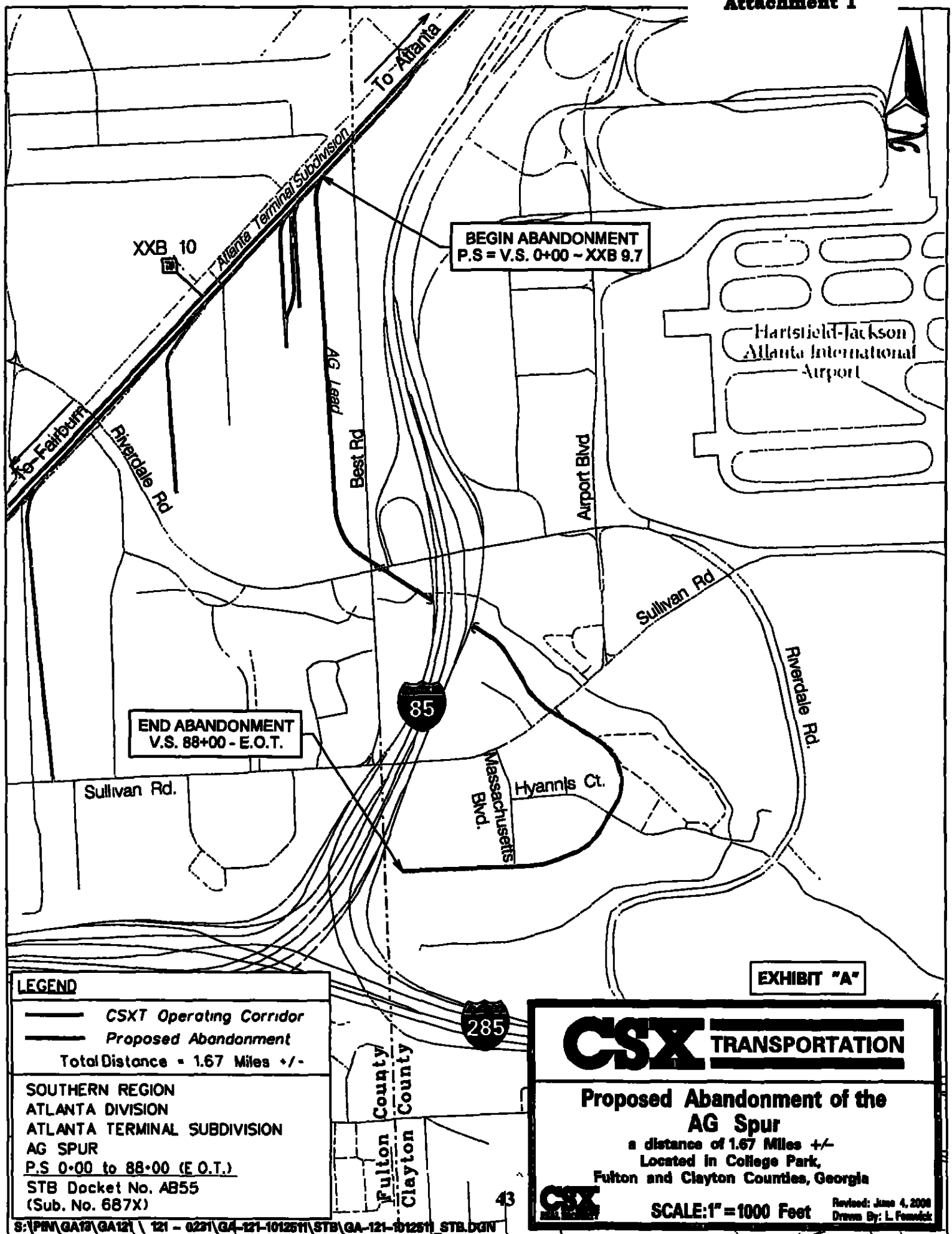
Not Applicable.

- (7) An opinion (based on readily available information in the railroad's possession) as to whether the site and/or structures meet the criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (36 C.F.R. 60.4), and whether there is a likelihood of archeological resources or any other previously unknown historic properties in the project area, and the basis for these opinions (including any consultations with the State Historic Preservation Office, local historical societies or universities):**

A review of our records indicates there are no CSXT-owned structures over 50 years old on this line segment that may be eligible for listing in the National Register.

- (8) A description (based on readily available information in the railroad's possession) of any known prior subsurface ground disturbance or fill, environmental conditions (naturally occurring or man-made) that might affect the archeological recovery of resources (such as swampy conditions or the presence of toxic wastes), and the surrounding terrain.**

The line was disturbed during construction by cuts and fill and any archeological resources that may have been located in the proposed project area would have been affected at that time versus during the proposed salvage operations associated with rail removal. Our records do not indicate that any swampy conditions exist, or that any hazardous material spills have occurred within the project area.

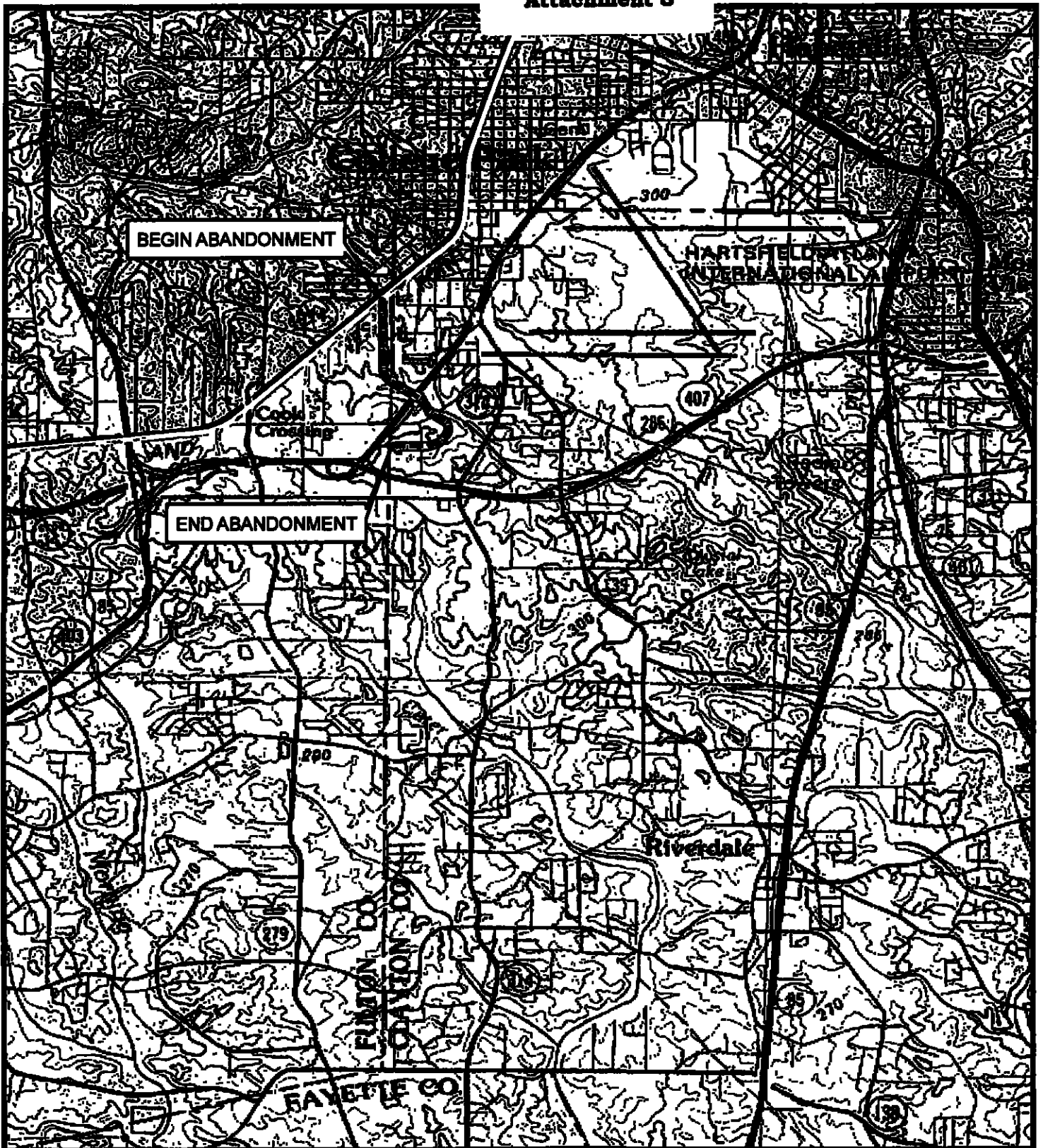




AREA MAP

Proposed Abandonment of 1.67 Miles +/-,
known as the 'AG' Lead in College Park,
Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia
STB Docket No. AB 55 - Sub. No. 687X

Attachment 3



Approximate Latitude and Longitude at Beginning of AG SPUR:
84°27'32.346"W, 33°38'19.203"N

Legend

SUBJECT
 CSX

Topo: USGS 100k ATLANTA Quad (USGS_QD_ID: 33084-E1)
Projection is: GCS_WGS_1984 - UTM 17 (NAD83)

CSX
REAL PROPERTY
GIS MAPPING SERVICES
Drawn By L. Fenwick
Rev Date June 17, 2008



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Manager - Network Rationalization

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June 19, 2008

Mr. Noel A. Holcomb, SHPO
Historic Preservation Division/DNR
34 Peachtree Street NW
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Atlanta, GA 30303-2316

RE: CSXT Proposed Line Abandonment
College Park, Clayton and Fulton Counties, Georgia
Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 687X)

Dear Mr. Holcomb:

Please be advised that CSX Transportation, Inc. is considering abandonment of a portion of its rail line from Valuation Station 0+00 (near Railroad Milepost XXB 10) to the end of track at Valuation Station 88+10 a distance of 1.67 miles known as the "AG Lead" in College Park, Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia, as depicted on the attached map.

In connection with rail lines that are to become the subject of applications for authority to abandon, Federal Regulations at 49 CFR 1105.8(d), require that a Historic Report be submitted to the State Historic Preservation Officer prior to filing with the Surface Transportation Board. In accordance with those Regulations, I am attaching a Historic Report covering the above-proposed abandonment.

Since there are no structures on the subject line that are 50 years old or older, I would appreciate receiving a letter from your office confirming that this project will have no impact upon cultural resources. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Attachment

Copy: STB - SEA, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423
Mr. Steve Armbrust, CSXT, 500 Water St. - J150, Jacksonville, FL 32202
Mr. Lou Gitomer, 600 Baltimore Ave, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204

Georgia Department of Natural Resources

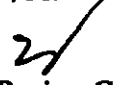
Noel Holcomb, Commissioner

Historic Preservation Division

W. Ray Luce, Division Director and Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
34 Peachtree Street, Suite 1600, Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Telephone (404) 656-2840 Fax (404) 657-1040 <http://www.gashpo.org>

MEMORANDUM

TO: Barbara Jackson
Georgia State Clearinghouse
Office of Planning and Budget
270 Washington Street, SW, Eighth Floor
Atlanta, Georgia, 30334

FROM: Elizabeth Shirk 
Environmental Review Coordinator
Historic Preservation Division

RE: Finding of "No Historic Properties Affected"

PROJECT: Rail Abandonment: 1.67 Miles, AG Lead, College Park
Federal Agency: STB
Applicant: GCSX Transportation, Inc.
GA-080613-004

COUNTY: Fulton County, Georgia

DATE: July 2, 2008

The Historic Preservation Division has reviewed the information received concerning the above-mentioned project. Our comments are offered to assist federal agencies and project applicants in complying with the provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Based on the information submitted, HPD believes that no historic properties or archaeological resources that are listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places will be affected by this undertaking. Please note that historic and/or archaeological resources may be located within the project's area of potential effect (APE), however, at this time it has been determined that they will not be impacted by the above-referenced project. Furthermore, any changes to this project as proposed will require further review by our office for compliance with the Section 106 process.

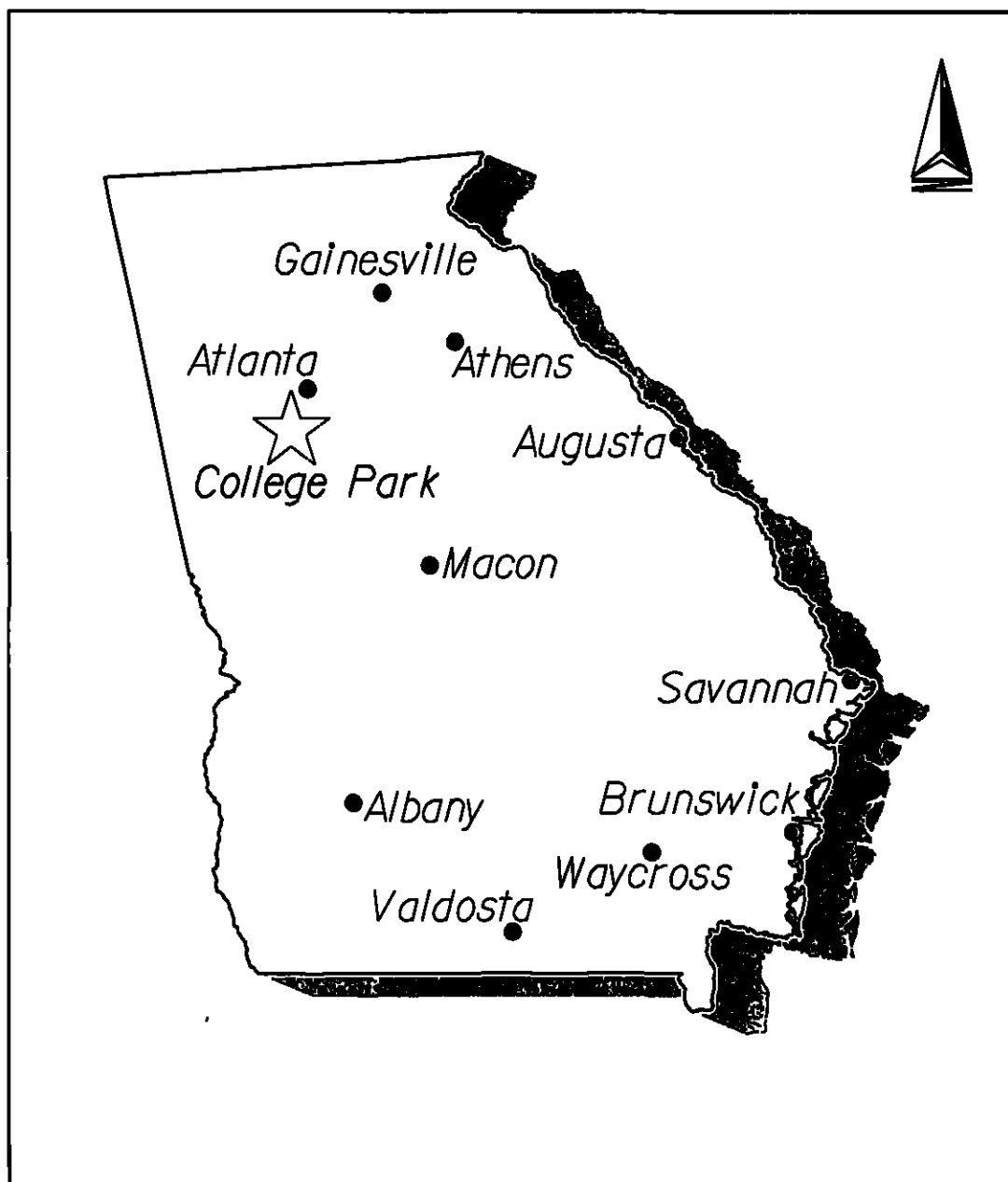
If we may be of further assistance contact me at (404) 651-6624 or Michelle Volkema, Environmental Review Specialist at (404) 651-6546. Please refer to the project number assigned above in any future correspondence regarding this project.

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cc: Le'Var Rice, ARC
Dave Geraci, CSX Transportation, Inc., 500 Walter Street – J200, Jacksonville, FL 32202

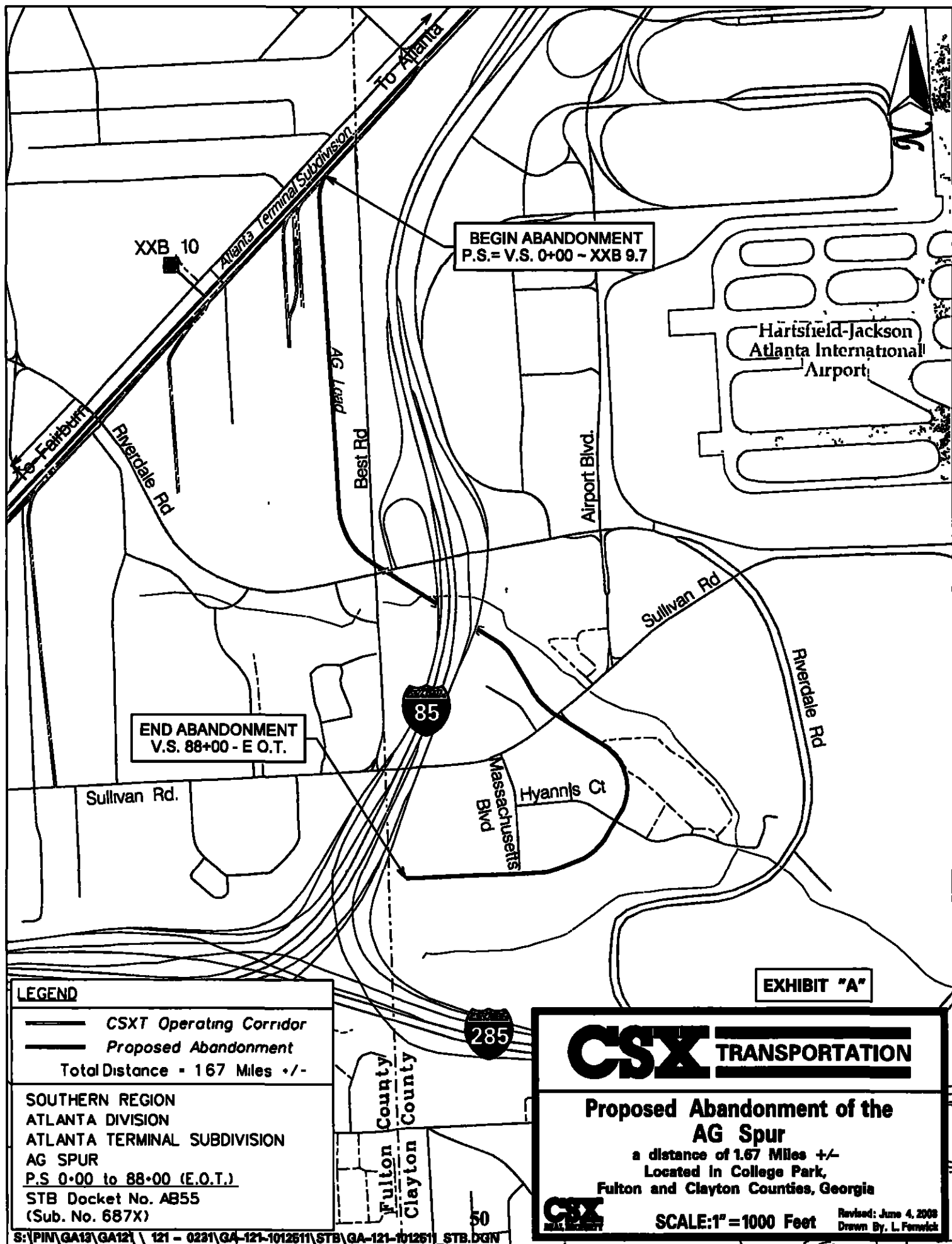
EXHIBIT F-COLOR EXHIBITS

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AREA MAP

Proposed Abandonment of 1.67 Miles +/-,
known as the 'AG' Lead in College Park,
Fulton and Clayton Counties, Georgia
STB Docket No. AB 55 - Sub. No. 687X



LEGEND

- CSXT Operating Corridor
- Proposed Abandonment
- Total Distance = 1.67 Miles +/-

SOUTHERN REGION
ATLANTA DIVISION
ATLANTA TERMINAL SUBDIVISION
AG SPUR
P.S. 0+00 to 88+00 (E.O.T.)
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EXHIBIT "A"

CSX TRANSPORTATION

**Proposed Abandonment of the
AG Spur**

a distance of 1.67 Miles +/-
Located in College Park,

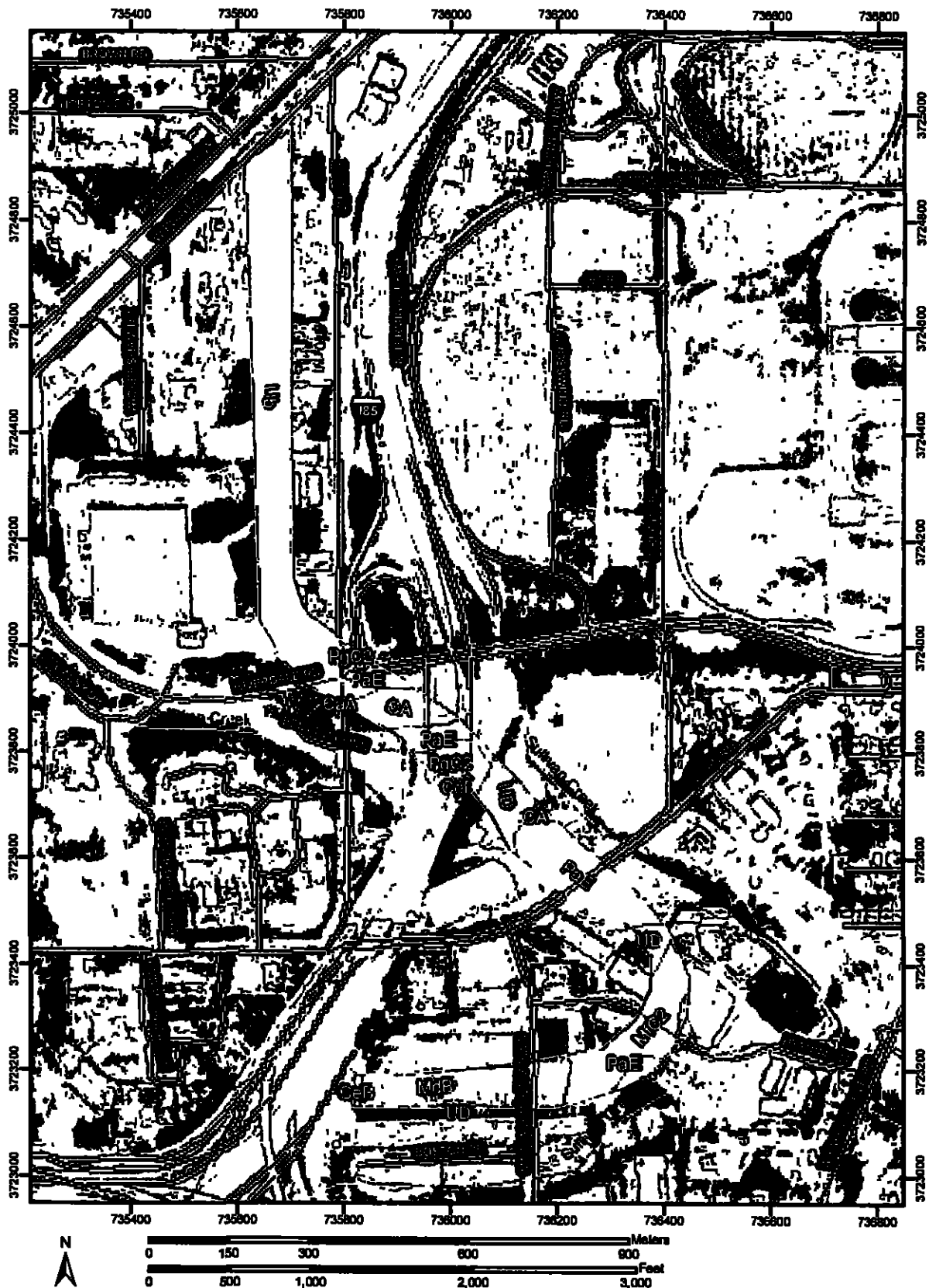
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SCALE: 1"=1000 Feet

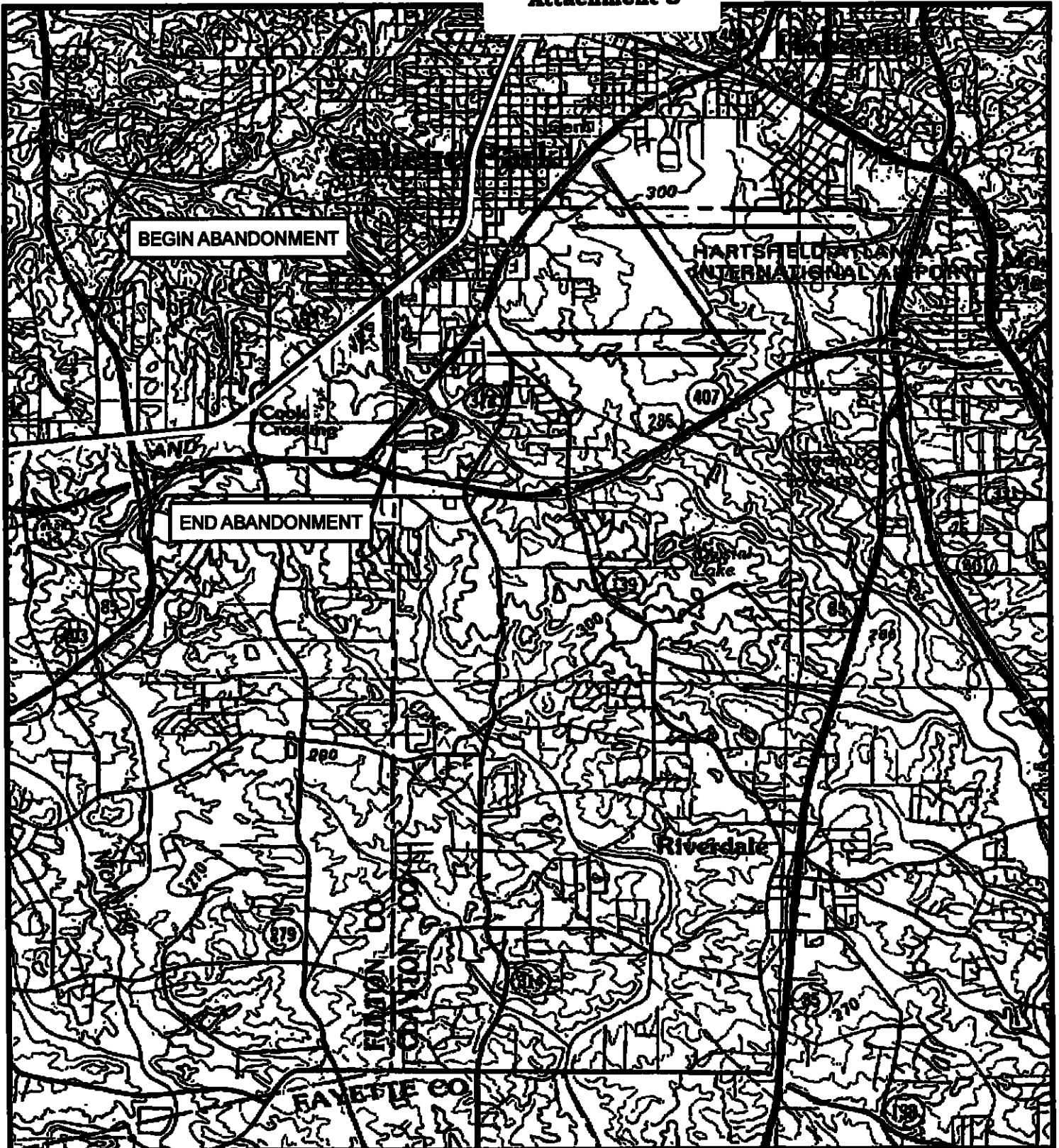
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Farmland Classification—Clayton, Fayette, and Henry Counties, Georgia, and Fulton County, Georgia
(CSX - Best Road)



Natural Resources
Conservation Service

Web Soil Survey 2.0
National Cooperative Soil Survey



Approximate Latitude and Longitude at Beginning of AG SPUR:
84°27'32.346"W, 33°38'19.203"N

Legend

 **SUBJECT**
CSX

Topo: USGS 100k ATLANTA Quad (USGS_QD_ID: 33084-E1)
Projection is: GCS_WGS_1984 - UTM 17 (NAD83)

CSX
REAL PROPERTY
GIS MAPPING SERVICES
Drawn By L. Fenwick
Rev Date June 17, 2008