

Re: AB_167_1189_X Harsimus Branch DSEA

Our understanding of NEPA requirements is that the agency has to describe potential adverse environmental effects of its actions, in this case an abandonment of the Harsimus Branch, and consider mitigation of these. The Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment does neither. Its limited scope, misleading narrative, and baseless conclusion makes it a useless document for decisionmakers, which is supposed to be its purpose.

We support the comments on the DSEA being submitted by the City of Jersey City, Rails to Trails Conservancy, and the Pennsylvania Railroad Harsimus Stem Embankment Preservation Coalition.