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Ms. Cynthia Brown  
Section of Administration  
Office of Proceedings  
Surface Transportation Board  
395 E Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: Glacier Rail Park/Kalispell Core Area Development and Trail  
Flathead County, Montana

Dear Ms. Brown:

The Section 106 report for the Kalispell TIGER Project covered rail abandonment from milepost 1225.19 to milepost 1226.79. We consider Section 106 consultation, with the FRA, for this portion of the rail abandonment to be complete and are currently working on a MOA to mitigate the adverse effects of this undertaking.

Rail abandonment from milepost 1226.79 to mileposts 1227.10 and 1227.58 was not reviewed as a part of the Kalispell TIGER Project, and will need to undergo separate Section 106 consultation with our office.

We recommend that the rail abandonment within the Kalispell TIGER Project be allowed to proceed as planned while the additional rail abandonment goes through its own Section 106 review process.

If you have any additional comments or questions do not hesitate to contact me at (406) 444-0388 or [JBush2@mt.gov](mailto:JBush2@mt.gov).

Sincerely,

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