

**RE: Union Pacific RR Swing Bridge - Milwaukee, WI****Striffler, Scot** to: Catherine.GliddenSent by: **Scot.M.Striffler@uscg.mil**

11/14/2012 07:26 AM

History: This message has been replied to and forwarded.

Hi Cathy,

You might be on your way to Montana right now ..... No great rush with us on this project. We have not tracked down the right contact at Union Pacific yet, and our action should not affect the negotiations between UP RR and City of Milwaukee since the bridge itself is apparently not involved in their deal. Wanted to reach out to you for awareness or the right contact in STB at this point. I'm glad this turns out to be your case.

I will let you know when we make contact with UP RR and go from there.

Hope your trip is pleasant, and thanks for getting back,

Scot

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-----Original Message-----

From: Catherine.Glidden@stb.dot.gov [mailto:Catherine.Glidden@stb.dot.gov]  
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2012 9:40 PM  
To: Striffler, Scot  
Subject: RE: Executed MOA for Hojack Swing Bridge

Hi Scot,

Sorry for not replying sooner. Turns out this is my case. I am flying out to Montana tomorrow morning on a big case, but will bring this file with me. FYI, I have heard nothing about this recently though the case was filed some time ago. It has a Section 106 condition attached to it, so I need to call the SHPO and also find out if this bridge is part of this abandonment. Let me know how soon you need closure on this.

Best regards,

-Cathy

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To: <Catherine.Glidden@stb.dot.gov>  
From: "Striffler, Scot" <Scot.M.Striffler@uscg.mil>  
Date: 11/06/2012 09:54AM  
Subject: RE: Executed MOA for Hojack Swing Bridge =====

Hi Cathy,

Good morning. I'm contacting you this morning for a completely different project from Hojack. We were recently advised that we have a similar unused railroad bridge in Milwaukee, WI (Union Pacific RR) over Milwaukee River that is currently undergoing abandonment processes with STB. My search on the STB website listed this action under Docket#: AB\_33\_268\_X. My understanding is that the STB process has been extended a couple times to allow UP RR to work out an arrangement with City of Milwaukee to assume ownership of part of the old rail line and a pier on one side of the river. Not sure if it's under Rails-to-Trails specifically, but there is some ongoing transfer of ownership discussion, with the latest deadline this month. My understanding is that the swing bridge is not part of the discussions between Milwaukee and UP RR, meaning UP RR will retain ownership of the bridge structure.

We have talked to the City about this and have no issues with their taking ownership of a pier on one side of the river. They only need to obtain Army Corps permit for this pier to remain and for it to be covered with us. The swing bridge structure in the river, similar to Hojack, will also need to be removed from the waterway. We have not contacted UP RR yet on this, but wanted to contact STB first and make sure you are aware of the similar requirement from our side to remove the bridge.

Not sure if you are involved in this abandonment, or if you could advise me who I can send these comments to in STB. Any assistance along those lines would be appreciated. Hope you are well, and thanks again,

Scot

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From: Catherine.Glidden@stb.dot.gov [mailto:Catherine.Glidden@stb.dot.gov]  
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Subject: Fw: Executed MOA for Hojack Swing Bridge

FYI -

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----- Forwarded by Catherine Glidden/STB on 10/22/2012 11:05 AM -----

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Cc: Kenneth Blodgett/STB@STB, Terry Guy/STB@STB  
Date: 10/17/2012 11:55 AM  
Subject: Executed MOA for Hojack Swing Bridge

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Hello All,

Please see attached executed MOA for the Hojack Swing Bridge. Please let me know if you have any trouble opening this file.

Thanks all.

-Cathy

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