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Cynthia T. Brown
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Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423

Re: **Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X), CSX Transportation, Inc.—Abandonment
Exemption—in Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN**

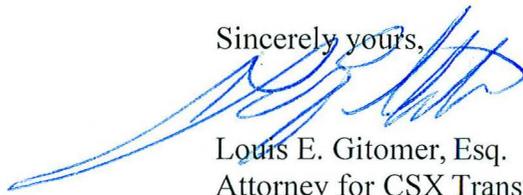
Dear Ms. Brown:

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of a Verified Notice of Exemption for CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) to abandon an approximately 1.39-mile rail line on the Southern Region, Nashville Division, CE & D Subdivision, between the connection to CSXT’s main line, milepost QST 0.03, and the end of the CSXT at track at the connection with the Indiana Railroad Company, milepost QST 1.42, in Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN. Also enclosed are a check for the filing fee of \$3,800, and a computer diskette containing the Notice in WORD and pdf format.

Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and Notice and return it in the enclosed prepaid envelope.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,



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

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IN TERRE HAUTE, VIGO COUNTY, IN

VERIFIED NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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INC.

Dated: September 30, 2014

BEFORE THE
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Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X)

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.–ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION–
IN TERRE HAUTE, VIGO COUNTY, IN

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 an approximately 1.39-mile rail line on the Southern Region, Nashville Division, CE & D Subdivision, between the connection to CSXT’s main line, milepost QST 0.03, and the end of the CSXT at track at the connection with the Indiana Railroad Company, milepost QST 1.42, in Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN (the “Line”). The Line generally runs down the middle of North First Street and South First Street. After receiving abandonment authority, CSXT plans to abandon the Line, salvage the track and materials and sell or lease the real estate. No local rail traffic has moved over the Line during the past two years. Any overhead traffic on the Line can be and has been rerouted.

Based on information in the possession of CSXT, 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.

1. Proposed consummation date. The proposed consummation date is November 19, 2014.

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 an approximately 1.39-mile rail line on the Southern Region, Nashville Division, CE & D Subdivision, between the connection to CSXT's main line, milepost QST 0.03, and the end of the CSXT at track at the connection with the Indiana Railroad Company, milepost QST 1.42, in Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN (the "Line"). The Line generally runs down the middle of North First Street and South First Street. The Terre Haute Station is at FSAC 40935, OPSL 21007, and milepost QST 0.03-1.42, but will not be closed as a result of the abandonment.

(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, LLC, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204, (410) 296-2250, Lou@lgraillaw.com.

(8) List of all United States Postal Service ZIP Codes that the line proposed for abandonment traverses. The Line traverses U.S. Postal ZIP Code 47807.

(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.

The Line may be suitable for other public purposes or trail use, but may be subject to reversionary interests.

4. The level of labor protection. The interests of any 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).

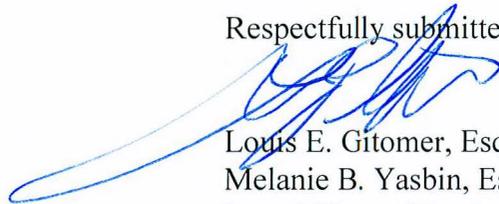
5. Certification. Certificates of compliance with the notice requirements of 49 C.F.R. §§ 1152.50(d)(1) and 1105.11 are attached as Exhibit C.

6. Environmental Report. See Exhibit D.

7. Historic Report. See Exhibit E.

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Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: September 30, 2014

EXHIBIT A-VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION

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

STATE OF FLORIDA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF DUVAL)

I, Patrick Carney state that I am Director of Cost and Economic Development for 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.

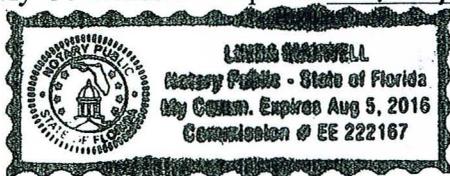
I hereby certify that no freight traffic has moved over CSXT's 1.39-mile rail line on its Southern Region, Nashville Division, CE & D Subdivision, between milepost QST 0.03 and milepost QST 1.42, the end of track, in Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN, for two years prior to the date hereof, and that any overhead freight 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.



Patrick Carney

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 24 day of September 2014.

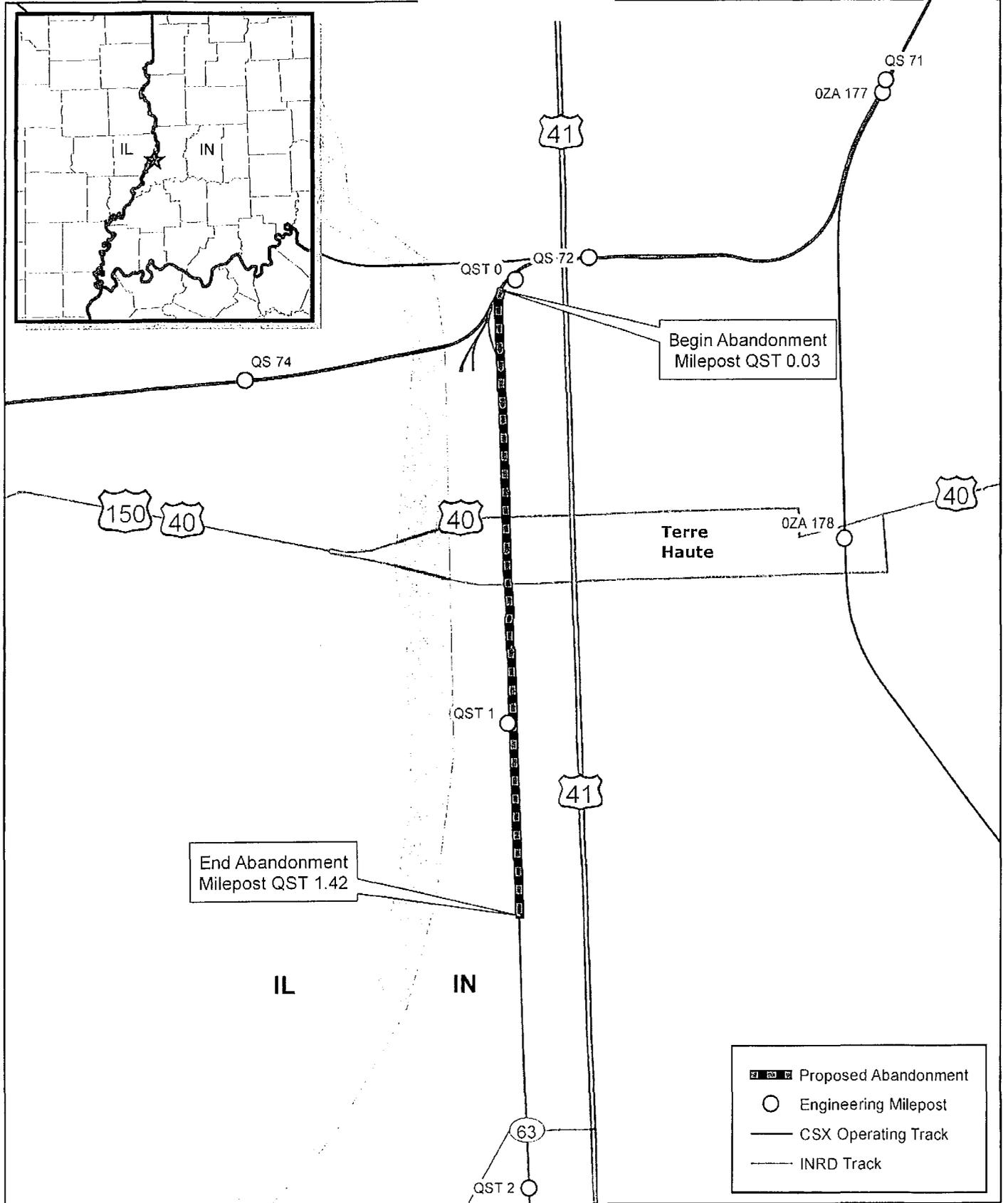
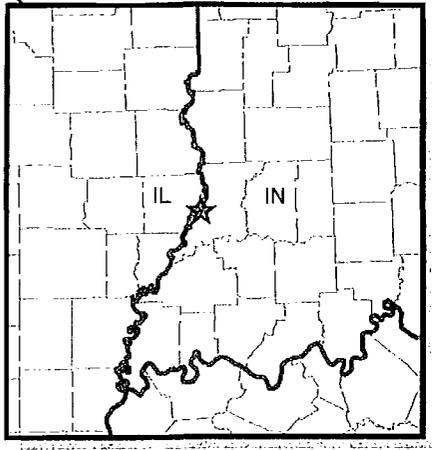
My Commission Expires: 8/5/16





Notary Public

EXHIBIT B-MAP



CSX Real Property, Inc

CSX Transportation, Inc.
Proposed Abandonment Southern Region
Milepost QST 0.03 to QST 1.42 (1.39 Miles Total)
STB Docket No. AB55 (Sub No. 735X)
Nashville Division - CE&D Subdivision
Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana

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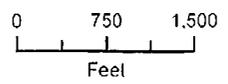


EXHIBIT C-CERTIFICATES OF SERVICE AND PUBLICATION

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. 735X) was mailed via first class mail on September 19, 2014, to the following parties:

State Public Service Commission

Mr. Mike Riley
Manager-Rail Office
Indiana Department of Transportation
100 N. Senate Ave., ICGN 955
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Military Traffic Management Command

Headquarters
Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command
Transportation Engineering Agency
ATTN: SDTE-SA (Railroads for National Defense)
1 Soldier Way, Building 1900W
Scott AFB, IL 62225

National Park Service

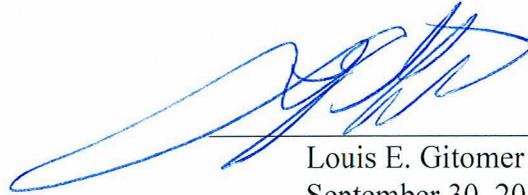
Mr. Rick Potts
Chief, Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Division
Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program National Park Service
1849 C Street, N.W. (Org Code 2220)
Washington, DC 20240

National Park Service

U.S. Department of Interior
National Park Service
Land Resources Division
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20240

U.S. Department of Agriculture

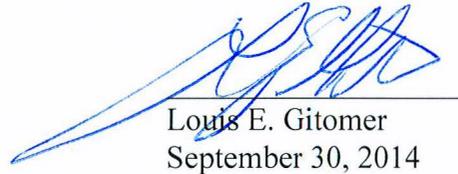
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Chief of the Forest Service
1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, DC 20250-0003



Louis E. Gitomer
September 30, 2014

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that notice of the proposed abandonment in Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X) in the following form was advertised on September 26, 2014 in the Tribune Star, a newspaper of general circulation in Vigo County, IN as required by 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7(c) and .12.



Louis E. Gitomer
September 30, 2014

Notice of Intent To Abandon

CSX Transportation, Inc. (“CSXT”) gives notice that on or about September 30, 2014, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—Exempt Abandonments permitting the abandonment of an approximately 1.39-mile rail line on the Southern Region, Nashville Division, CE & D Subdivision, between milepost QST 0.03 and milepost QST 1.42, the end of track, which traverses United States Postal Service ZIP Code 47807, in Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN (the “Line”). The proceeding has been docketed as No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X).

The Board’s Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) will generally prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA), which will normally be available 25 days after the filing of the notice of exemption. 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 Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to the OEA, Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423 or by calling that office at (202) 245-0295.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as trails use, public use, and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board’s Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings, 395 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20423–0001 [*See* 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on applicant’s representative [*See* 49 CFR 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at (202) 245-0238. Copies of any comments or requests for conditions should be served on the applicant's representative: Louis E. Gitomer, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204, (410)296-2250, Lou@lgrailaw.com.

EXHIBIT D– ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 1105.7, the undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the Environmental Report in Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 734X) was mailed via first class mail on August 21, 2014 to the following parties:

Indiana Dept. of Environmental Management
Indiana Government Center North, Room 1207
100 N. Senate Avenue, MC 50-07
Indianapolis, IN 46204

U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5
Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

City of Terre Haute Department of Engineering
Charles W. Ennis
17 Harding Avenue, Room 200
Terre Haute, IN 47807

Terre Haute Economic Development Corp.
630 Wabash Avenue, Suite 101
Terre Haute, IN 47807

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Louisville District-Mazzoli Federal Building
600 Martin Luther King, Jr. Place
Louisville, KY 40202

Vigo County Area Planning Commission
County Annex Building
159 Oak Street
Terre Haute, IN 47807

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Great Lakes-Big Rivers Region
620 South Walker Street
Bloomington, IN 47403-2121

Office of the Mayor
Mayor Duke A. Bennett
City Hall, First Floor
17 Harding Avenue
Terre Haute, IN 47807

Division of Water
Indiana Department of Natural Resources
402 W. Washington Street, Room 264
Indianapolis, IN 46204

National Park Service
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20240

Indiana Department of Transportation
Crawfordsville District
41 West 300 North
Crawfordsville, IN 47933

USDA NRCS
Indiana State Office
6013 Lakeside Boulevard
Indianapolis, IN 46278-2933

National Geodetic Survey
NGS.InfoCenter@noaa.gov



Louis E. Gitomer
September 30, 2014

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

**CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.
Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana
Docket AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X)**

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.

CSXT proposes to abandon approximately 1.39 miles of its rail line between from Railroad Milepost QST 0.03 (near Sycamore and 1st Street) to Railroad Milepost QST 1.42 (near Park Street and 1st Street), known as the 1st Street Lead, in Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana.

The above referenced 1.39-mile line has not generated any originating or terminating traffic in over Two (2) years.

The City of Terre Haute is interested in the right of way for utility construction and to create a median and a turn lane.

Abandonment of this line will result in the removal of the rail, crossties, and possibly the upper layer of ballast. CSXT does not intend to disturb any sub grade or sub grade structures. Finally, the operations and maintenance of this line will cease.

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

A map which delineates the proposed project is attached. (See Attachment 1)

Further attached is a distribution list of all parties who have received a copy of this report. (See Attachment 2)

(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 or freight traffic on this line. Since there has not been any traffic on this line in over Two (2) years, 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, 2014 from Charles Innis, City of Terre Haute Department of Engineering stating *"We've also reviewed your letter dated July 8, 2014 and it all looks very promising."* (See Attachment 3)

- (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 July 15, 2014 from United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service stating *"The proposed project regarding the abandonment of your common carrier obligation and subsequently salvage the track in the City of Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana, will not cause a conversion of prime farmland"* (See Attachment 4)

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

Applicant has received a response dated August 26, 2014 from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources stating *"We would like you to know that the review is in process and a formal response will be forthcoming"*. (See Attachment 5)

Applicant feels that the simple removal of track material should not

have an adverse impact on any coastal zone, land or water uses.

- (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.**

The proposed action will have no effect on the movement and/or recovery 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 a 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 a 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 Sixteen (16) 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 has not received a response to its July 8, 2014 or August 21, 2014 inquiries to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Bloomington, Indiana requesting information regarding this statement. (See Attachment 6)

Based upon Applicant's intention to remove only the track material and the upper layer of ballast, we do not believe that any federally endangered or threatened species will be negatively affected or critical habitats modified if the line is abandoned.

- (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 has received a response dated September, 12, 2014 from the State of Indiana Department of Natural Resources stating "*Formal approval by the Department of Natural Resources under the regulatory programs administered by the Division of Water is not required for this project*". (See Attachment 7)

Applicant does not contemplate any action known to be inconsistent with federal, state and/or local water quality standards. Any necessary permits or applications will be obtained as well as compliance with conditions or procedures required by regulatory agencies.

- (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 received a response dated July 21, 2014 from U.S. Army Corp of Engineers stating "*You do not need a permit under the Army Corps Section 404*". (See Attachment 8)

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 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. 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).**

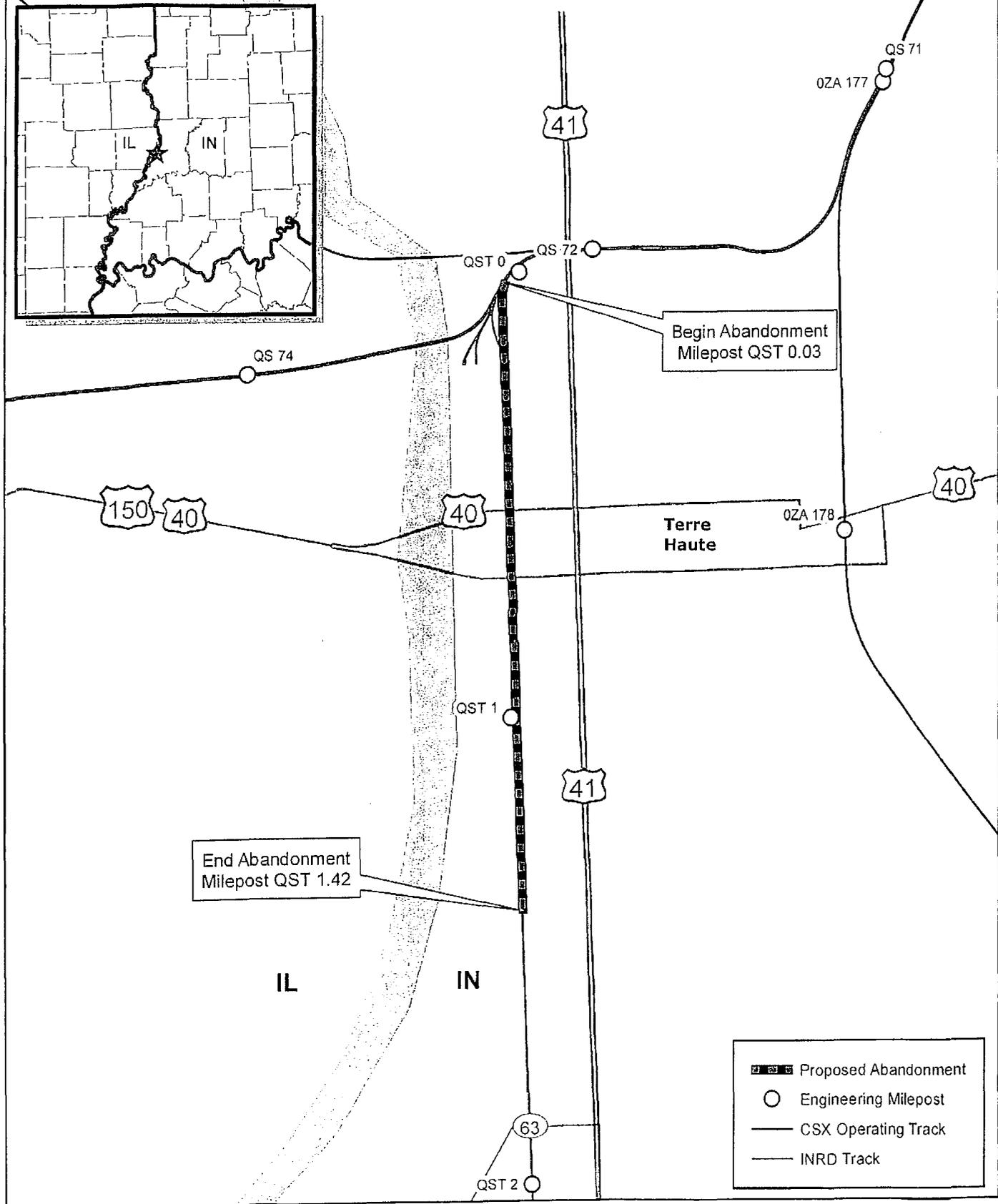
Applicant has not received a response to its July 8, 2014 or August 21, 2014 inquiries to the U.S. Regional EPA Office in Chicago, IL requesting information regarding this statement. (See Attachment 9)

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.

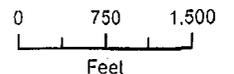
Applicant does not believe there will be any adverse environmental impacts in the project area as a result of this abandonment. However, Applicant will comply with reasonable State and Federal regulations and obtain any necessary permits required.



	Proposed Abandonment
	Engineering Milepost
	CSX Operating Track
	INRD Track



CSX Transportation, Inc.
Proposed Abandonment Southern Region
Milepost QST 0.03 to QST 1.42 (1.39 Miles Total)
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Nashville Division - CE&D Subdivision
Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana



Attachment 2
CSXT Abandonment External Distribution List
Vigo County
Terre Haute, IN

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100 N. Senate Ave. MC 50-07
Indianapolis, IN 46204

U.S. EPA
Region 5
Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building
77 West Jackson Blvd
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology
402 W. Washington ST., RM 274
Indianapolis, IN 46204

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630 Wabash Avenue, Suite 101
Terre Haute, IN 47807

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Attachment 3

Burroughs, JoAnn

From: Ennis, Charles <Charles.Ennis@TerreHaute.IN.Gov>
Sent: Friday, August 01, 2014 9:04 AM
To: Burroughs, JoAnn
Subject: 1st Street Lead
Attachments: 1872 ordinance.docx

Sorry it's been so long since our last email but we've been digging through our archives.

We found the 1872 Ordinance referenced in your last email. Enclosed is our transcript of the original document. We found several other ordinances relating to rail construction on First Street, but nothing from 1880. The ordinances do not appear to convey real property, just right-of-way for the purposes of constructing and use of a railroad.

We've also reviewed your letter dated July 8, 2014 and it all looks very promising. Our plans for the construction of a boulevard have not changed. The area of the City adjacent to the 1st Street Lead is not trending toward industrial development. Quite the contrary, ISU now owns most of the undeveloped land adjacent to this track. They are constructing a track & field venue alongside a the track at First and Chestnut Street. Our long range Comprehensive Plan "Thrive 2025" targets this area for "Reuse and Redevelopment". Here is the link to that plan and the map for Harrison Township, <http://www.vigocounty.in.gov/egov/docs/1326983128283.htm> The plan does not encourage industrial redevelopment for the area in question.

We have a preliminary design and have included construction of the Blvd. in next year's budget. We'd be very interested in any environmental documents that you can give us, as we are preparing to begin our own environmental site assessments.

Please let us know if there's anything we can do to keep this moving ahead.

Thanks

Charles W. (Chuck) Ennis, P.E., S.E.
City Engineer
City of Terre Haute Department of Engineering
17 Harding Avenue Room 200
Terre Haute, IN 47807
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Fax: (812) 234-8973

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July 15, 2014

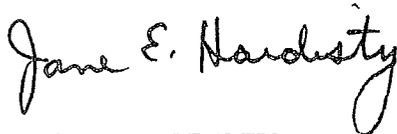
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Manager Network Services
CSX Transportation
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Jacksonville, Florida 32202

Dear Ms. Burroughs,

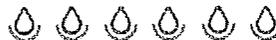
The proposed project regarding the abandonment of your common carrier obligation and subsequently salvage the track in the City of Terre Haute in Vigo County, Indiana, as referred to in your letter received July 14, 2014, will not cause a conversion of prime farmland.

If you need additional information, please contact Rick Neilson at 317-295-5875.

Sincerely,



JANE E. HARDISTY
State Conservationist





United States Department of Agriculture

Natural Resources Conservation Service
Indiana State Office
6013 Lakeside Boulevard
Indianapolis, IN 46278
317-290-3200

September 5, 2014

Jo Ann Burroughs
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Dear Ms. Burroughs:

The proposed project to abandon your common carrier obligation and subsequently salvage the track in the City of Terre Haute in Vigo County, Indiana, as referred to in your letter received August 25, 2014, will not cause a conversion of prime farmland.

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Sincerely,

 ACTING FOR

JANE E. HARDISTY
State Conservationist

Helping People Help the Land.



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Attachment 5

Burroughs, JoAnn

From: Hippensteel, Beth <BHippensteel@dnr.IN.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2014 10:23 AM
To: Burroughs, JoAnn
Subject: ER-17796, Vigo Co.

Categories: Follow up

Dear Ms. Burroughs:

This is a standard informational email in response to your request for an Environmental Review, which was received on August 25, 2014 for the following project:

Abandonment of 1.39 miles of rail line from Mileposts QST 0.03 to QTS 1.42, Terre Haute; STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X)

We would like you to know that the review is in process and a formal response will be forthcoming. Please refer to the ER number in the subject line on all future correspondence regarding this project.

Please note that you can submit future requests electronically to the following email address:
environmentalreview@dnr.in.gov.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Christie Stanifer, Environmental Coordinator, at 317-232-8163 or cstanifer@dnr.in.gov, or to check on the status of a review, please contact Beth Hippensteel at: bhippensteel@dnr.in.gov, or at 317-234-1092.

Christie Stanifer
Environmental Coordinator
Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Division of Fish and Wildlife
402 West Washington St, Room W273
Indianapolis, IN 46204-2781
(317) 232-8163
Fax: (317) 232-8150



Jo Ann Burroughs
Manager Network Services

Attachment 6

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E-Mail: Jo_Burroughs@csx.com

July 8, 2014

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Great Lakes-Big Rivers Region
620 South Walker Street
Bloomington, IN 47403-2121

Dear Sir/Madam;

Please be advised that CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) is considering to file with the Surface Transportation Board (STB) a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to abandon service in the Northern Region, Nashville Division, CE & D Subdivision, also known as the 1st Lead. The line is located near Sycamore and 1st Street, from Railroad Milepost QST 0.03 to QST 1.42, located near Park Street and 1st Street. The distance is approximately 1.39 miles in Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana. STB Docket number AB 55 (Sub-No. 735X).

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The action requires Surface Transportation Board approval and Federal Regulations 49 C.F.R. 1105.7 (8) (i) and (ii) requires 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 affect endangered or threatened species or areas designated as a critical habitat, and if so, describe the effects.*



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

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.

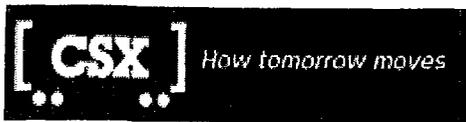
As further information, CSXT will provide a preliminary environmental report in the coming weeks which will outline the scope of the proposed salvage activity and include any comments received from your office. This environmental report can be sent electronically by email or through the United States Postal Service (USPS). Please email Jo_Burroughs@csx.com if you wish to receive the report electronically. If we do not receive notification, it will be mailed via USPS.

Enclosed is a distribution list of all parties that have been copied on the proposed action. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email me.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Burroughs

Enclosures (2)



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August 21, 2014

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Attached is a preliminary Environmental Report describing the proposed action and includes information we have received from your agencies. We are providing this report so that you may review the information that will form the basis for the STB's independent environmental analysis of this proceeding. Before this Report is finalized and submitted to the STB, we will incorporate into it any comments that we receive from you. Your comments will be considered by the STB in evaluating the environmental impacts of the contemplated action. If any of the information is incorrect, if you believe that pertinent information is missing, or if you have any questions about the STB's environmental review process, please contact the Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA), Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20423, telephone (202) 245-0230 and refer to the above Docket Number. Because the applicable statutes and regulations impose stringent deadlines for processing this action, your comments to OEA (with copy to me) within twenty days, would be appreciated.



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For your convenience, a response form is enclosed. You may email the response to Jo_Burroughs@CSX.com or you may return the form in the self-addressed return envelope which is also enclosed for your convenience.

If your comments have not been received by September 12, 2014 CSXT will take the position before the STB that there are no environmental impacts for the proposed abandonment within your agency's jurisdiction.

If there are any questions concerning this proposal, please contact me directly by telephone at (904) 359-1247 or by the above email address.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Burroughs

Attachments

Copy: STB - OEA, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423

THIS IS NOT A PERMIT

State of Indiana
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Fish and Wildlife
Early Coordination/Environmental Assessment

DNR #: ER-17796

Request Received: August 25, 2014

Requestor: CSX Transportation Inc
 Jo Burroughs
 500 Water Street - J-315
 Jacksonville, FL 32202

Project: Abandonment of 1.39 miles of CSXT rail line from Mileposts QST 0.03 to QTS 1.42, Terre Haute; STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X)

County/Site info: Vigo

The Indiana Department of Natural Resources has reviewed the above referenced project per your request. Our agency offers the following comments for your information and in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

If our agency has regulatory jurisdiction over the project, the recommendations contained in this letter may become requirements of any permit issued. If we do not have permitting authority, all recommendations are voluntary.

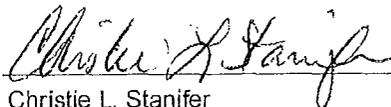
Regulatory Assessment: Formal approval by the Department of Natural Resources under the regulatory programs administered by the Division of Water is not required for this project.

Natural Heritage Database: The Natural Heritage Program's data have been checked. To date, no plant or animal species listed as state or federally threatened, endangered, or rare have been reported to occur in the project vicinity.

Fish & Wildlife Comments: The measures below should be implemented to avoid, minimize, or compensate for impacts to fish, wildlife, and botanical resources:

1. Revegetate all bare and disturbed areas with a mixture of grasses (excluding all varieties of tall fescue) and legumes as soon as possible upon completion; low endophyte tall fescue may be used in the ditch bottom and side slopes only.
2. Appropriately designed measures for controlling erosion and sediment must be implemented to prevent sediment from entering the stream or leaving the construction site; maintain these measures until construction is complete and all disturbed areas are stabilized.
3. Seed and protect disturbed stream banks and slopes that are 3:1 or steeper with biodegradable heavy-duty erosion control blankets (follow manufacturer's recommendation for installation); seed and apply mulch on all other disturbed areas.

Contact Staff: Christie L. Stanifer, Environ. Coordinator, Fish & Wildlife
 Our agency appreciates this opportunity to be of service. Please contact the above staff member at (317) 232-4080 if we can be of further assistance.



Christie L. Stanifer
 Environ. Coordinator
 Division of Fish and Wildlife

Date: September 12, 2014

Burroughs, JoAnn

From: Thomas, James L LRL <James.L.Thomas@usace.army.mil>
Sent: Monday, July 21, 2014 12:33 PM
To: Burroughs, JoAnn
Subject: CSX Transportation Abandoning service in the Northern Region, Nashville Division (LRL-2014-547) (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

Jo,

You do not need a permit under the Army Corps Section 404 Regulations to abandon a railroad line located near Sycamore and 1st Street from Railroad Milepost QST 0.03 to QST 1.42 located near Park Street and 1st Street of a distance of approximately 1.39 miles in Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana. STB Docket number AB 55 (Sub-No. 735X).

You may use this letter as verification that the above action does not need a permit from the Army Corps Section 404 program. Any other action may require a permit if any Waters of the United States are impacted.

Jim Thomas
Project Manager
U.S. Army Corps
(502) 315-6710

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE



Jo Ann Burroughs
Manager Network Services

July 8, 2014

U.S. EPA
Region 5
Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building
77 West Jackson Blvd
Chicago, IL 60604-3590

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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:

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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 and include any comments received from your office. This environmental report can be sent electronically by email or through the United States Postal Service (USPS). Please email Jo_Burroughs@csx.com if you wish to receive the report electronically. If we do not receive notification, it will be mailed via USPS.

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From: Simon Monroe <simon.monroe@noaa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 08, 2014 3:13 PM
To: Burroughs, JoAnn
Cc: Surface Transportation Board; Lucy Hall; Simon Monroe
Subject: NGS Response, STB Docket AB-55 (SUB NO. 735X)

Thank you for sharing your railroad abandonment environmental report for
TERRE HAUTE, Vigo County, INDIANA.

Approximately 01 geodetic survey marks may be located in the area described. These marks may or may not be disturbed.

If marks will be disturbed by the abandonment, [THE RAILROAD] shall
consult with the National Geodetic Survey (NGS) at least 90 days prior to
beginning salvage activities that will disturb, or destroy any geodetic station
marks are described on the attached file. Additional advice is provided at
<http://geodesy.noaa.gov/marks/railroads/>

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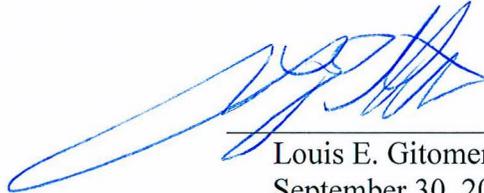
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EXHIBIT E- HISTORIC REPORT

HISTORIC REPORT CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 1105.8(c), the undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the Historic Report in Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 735X) was mailed via first class mail on August 20, 2014, to the following party:

Indiana Department of Natural Resource
Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology
402 W. Washington Street, Room 274
Indianapolis, IN 46204



Louis E. Gitomer
September 30, 2014

HISTORIC REPORT

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC. Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana DOCKET AB-55 (SUB-NO. 735X)

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.

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

A map which delineates the proposed project is attached. (See Attachment 1)

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 Terre Haute Quadrangle topographic map prepared by the U. S. Department of Interior Geological Survey. The line to be abandoned has been identified by a heavy black over red line. (See Attachment 2)

There are no CSXT-owned structures that are 50 years old or older that may be eligible for listing in the National Register as 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 is approximately 40 feet from the centerline of track. The line runs from the Spring Hill, Indiana area northeast then north through the City of Terre Haute through a combination of residential, commercial and light industrial portion of town.

- (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:**

This property was acquired in approximately 1885 by the Evansville, Indianapolis & Terre Haute Railway (EITR). Soon after its creation the EITR was acquired by the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St.

Louis Railway (CCC&StL.), also known as the Big Four Railroad. The CCC&StL was acquired in 1906 by the New York Central Railroad. The former lines of CCC&StL were incorporated into Penn Central in 1968 with the merger of New York Central Railroad and the Pennsylvania Railroad. Penn Central declared bankruptcy in 1970 and the line was included in the lines of the newly formed Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail).

In 1999, CSX Corporation, CSX Transportation's (CSXT) parent company, and Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) jointly acquired control of Conrail.

As a result of the proposed abandonment, operation of the line will cease. There is an opportunity through the regulatory process for other carriers to acquire the line for continued operations.

- (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):**

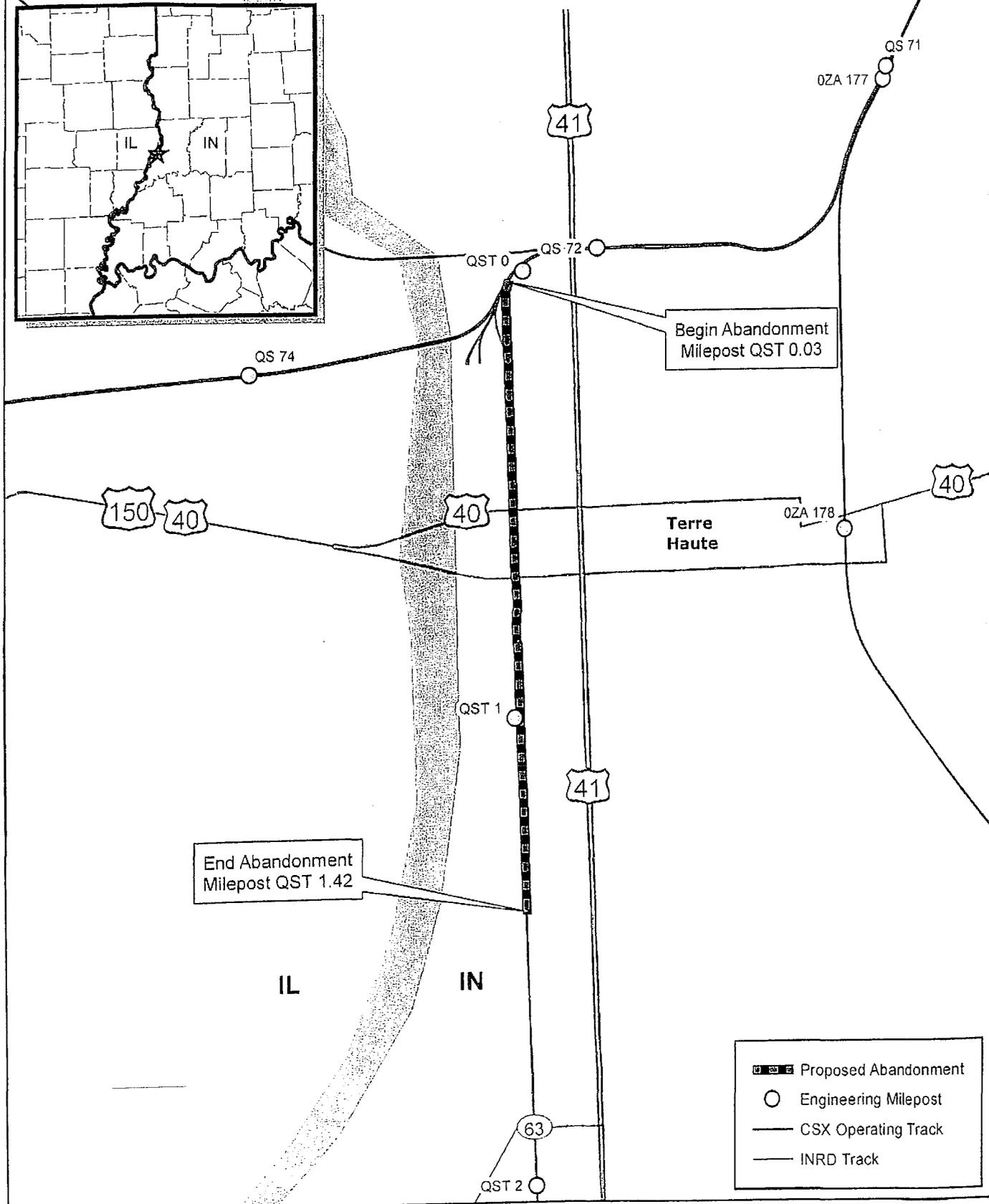
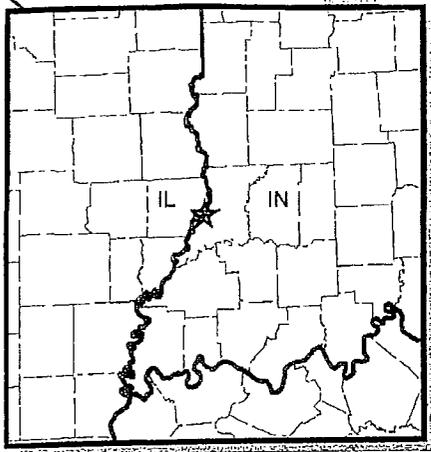
A review of our records indicates there are no CSXT-owned structures over 50 years old on this line segment that may be eligible for listing in the National Register.

CSXT does not know of any archeological resources or any other previously unknown historic properties in the project area.

- (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.**

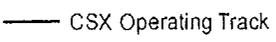
The line was disturbed during construction by cuts and fill and any

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.



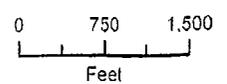
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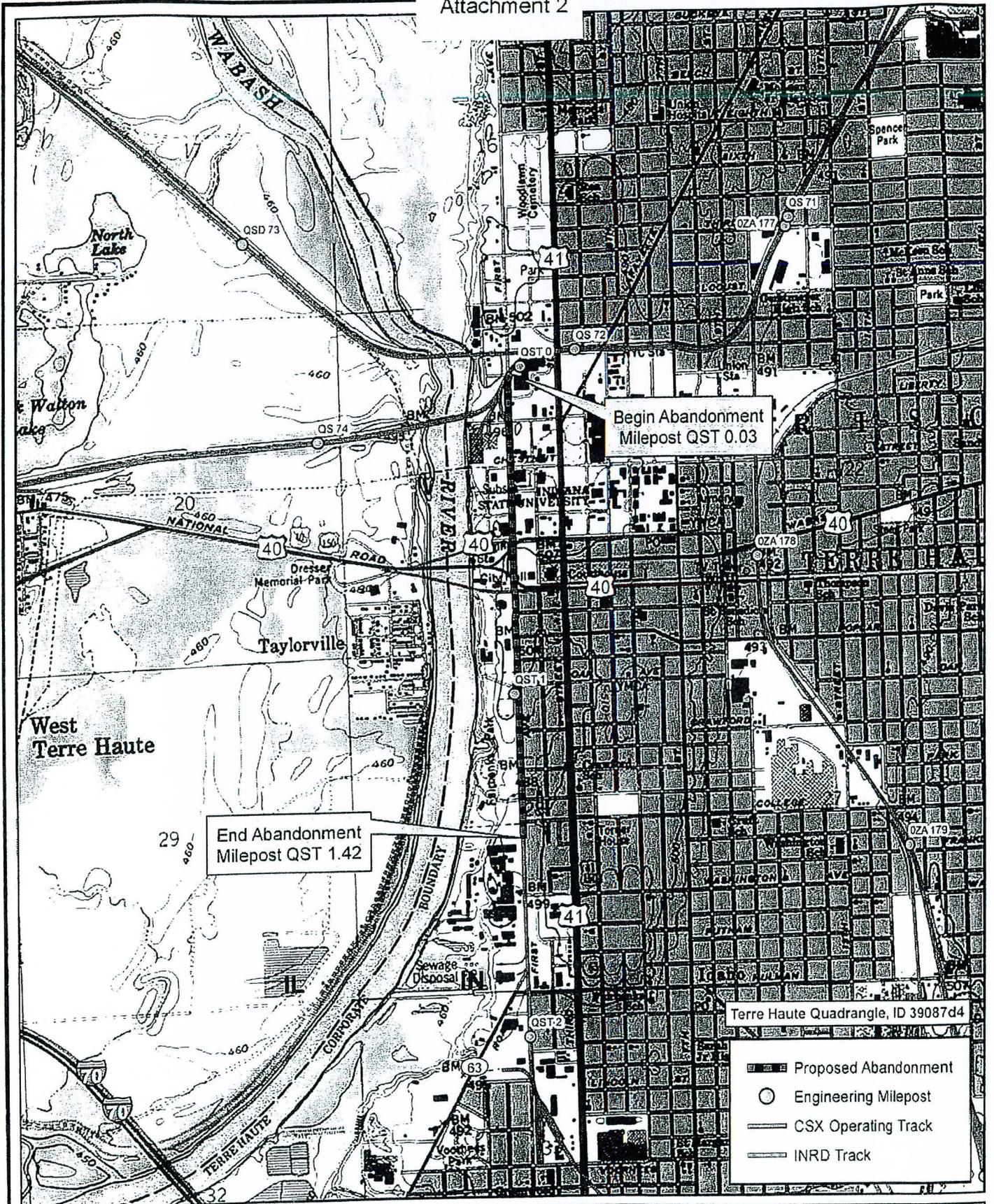
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CSX Transportation, Inc.
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Milepost QST 0.03 to QST 1.42 (1.39 Miles Total)
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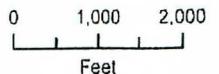


Terre Haute Quadrangle, ID 39087d4

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CSX Transportation, Inc.
Topo Map - Proposed Abandonment Southern Region
Milepost QST 0.03 to QST 1.42 (1.39 Miles Total)
STB Docket No. AB55 (Sub No. 735X)
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August 20, 2014

Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology
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Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Sir/Madam;

Please be advised that CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) is considering to file with the Surface Transportation Board (STB) a Notice of Exemption seeking authority to abandon service in the Northern Region, Nashville Division, CE & D Subdivision, also known as the 1st Lead. The line is located near Sycamore and 1st Street, from Railroad Milepost QST 0.03 to QST 1.42, located near Park Street and 1st Street. The distance is approximately 1.39 miles in Terre Haute, Vigo County, Indiana. STB Docket number AB 55 (Sub-No. 735X).

The purpose of the proposed action is to abandon our common carrier obligation and subsequently salvage the track and improvements and sell the property. The approximate 1.39 mile line segment ends where the track was sold and the land leased to The Indiana Rail Road Company (INRD) in 2011, depicted on the attached map. There has been no traffic on the line for at least two (2) years. The City of Terre Haute is interested in the right of way for utility construction and to create a median and a turn lane. Indiana State University would like to purchase the property at the north end of the line. No new rail-oriented business is expected to develop.

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.



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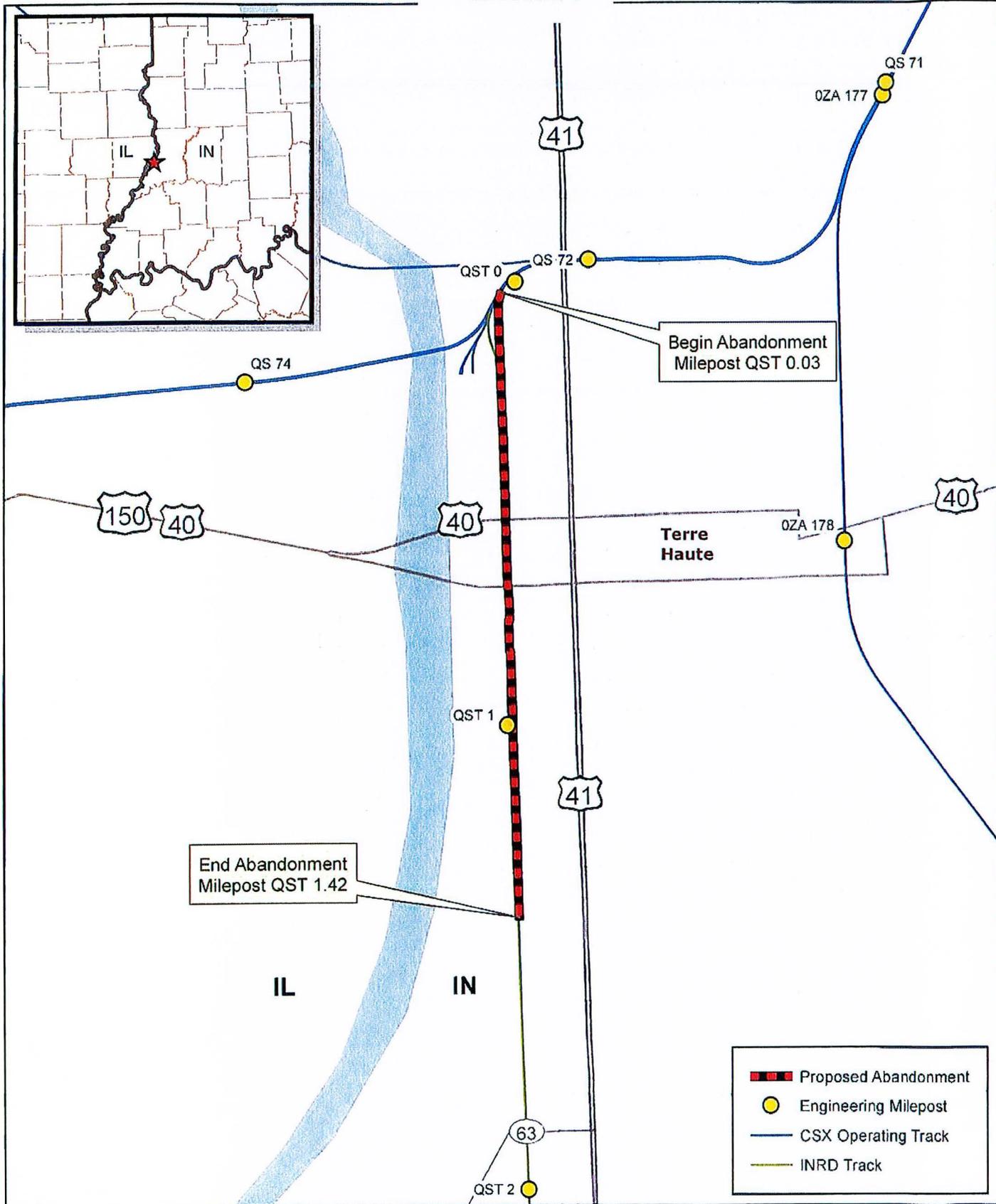
We would appreciate receiving a letter from your office confirming that this project will have no impact upon cultural resources.

Enclosed is a distribution list of all parties that have been copied on the proposed action. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email me.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Burroughs
Enclosures (2)

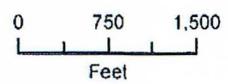
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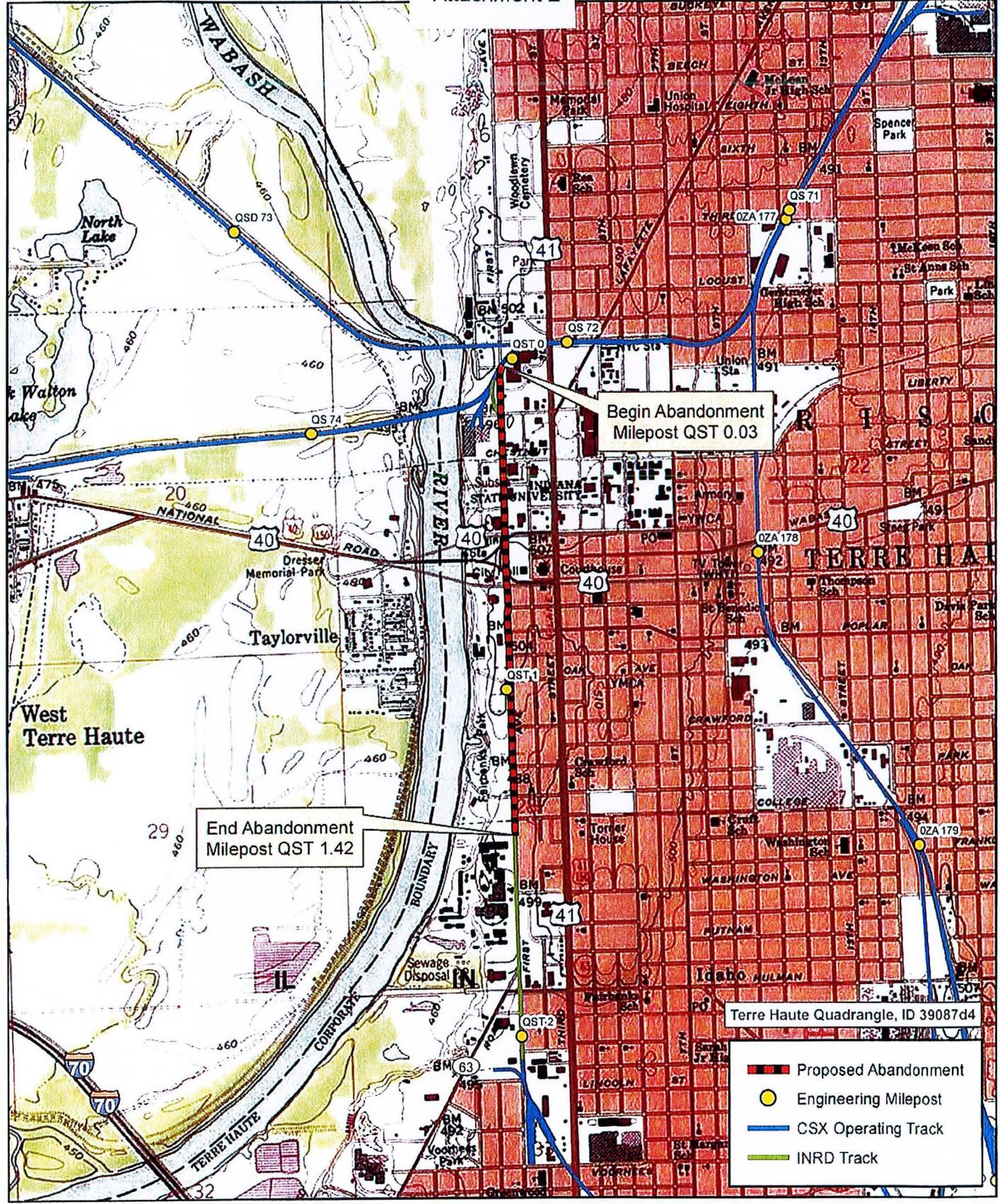


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Begin Abandonment Milepost QST 0.03

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