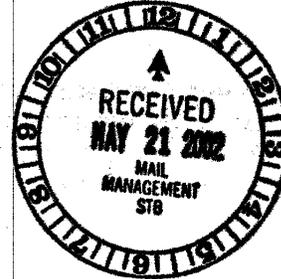


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Mr. David M. Konschnick, Director  
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Dear Mr. Konschnick:

Staff for the Department of Water Resources has reviewed STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 145X) and has the following comments:

The proposed Union Pacific Railroad Company Abandonment and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights may be within the jurisdiction and under the authority of The Reclamation Board. The California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Waters, Article 3, require that a Board permit be obtained before the start of any work including excavation, construction or demolition/abandonment activities where The Reclamation Board has jurisdiction.

If you have any questions, please call me at (916) 653-0402.

Sincerely,

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