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Via USPS Overnight Special Delivery

Vernon A Williams, Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

**RE: Union Pacific Railroad Company
Abandonment in Ouachita County, Arkansas
Docket Number AB-33 (Sub-No. 222X)**

Dear Secretary Williams:

This request is filed on behalf of the City of Camden, Arkansas, which is a political subdivision, hereinafter referred to as "proponent".

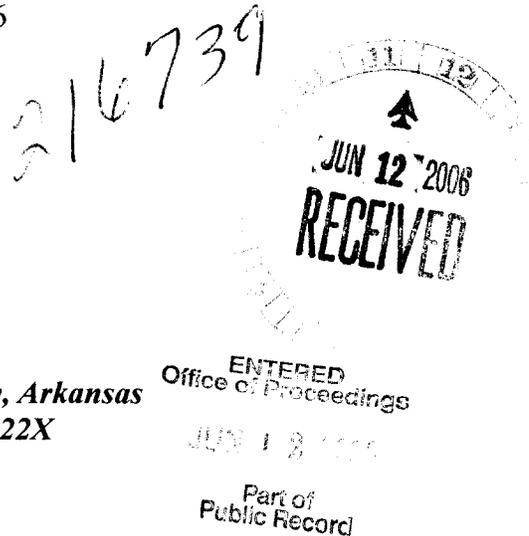
Proponent requests issuance of a Public Use Condition as well as an Interim Trail Use Condition rather than an outright abandonment authorization between milepost 457.0 to milepost 460.6 of the El Dorado Subdivision in Ouachita County, Arkansas.

A. Request For Public Use Condition

Proponent asks the STB to find that this property is suitable for other public use, specifically trail use, and to place the following conditions on the abandonment:

1. An Order prohibiting the carrier from disposing of the corridor, other than the tracks, ties and signal equipment, except for public use on reasonable terms. Justification for this condition is that the rail corridor will make an excellent recreational trail and conversion of the property to trail use is in accordance with local plans. The proponent has recently constructed a harbor, marina and park on the Ouachita River that will join the proposed trail. The time period sought is 180 days from the effective date of the abandonment authorization. Proponent needs this much time to review title information, complete a trail plan and begin negotiations with the carrier.

2. An Order barring removal or destruction of potential trail-related structures such as bridges, trestles, culverts and tunnels. The justification for this condition is that these structures have considerable value for recreational trail purposes. The time period requested is 180 days from the effective date of the abandonment authorization for the same reasons stated hereinabove.



B. Request For Interim Trail Use

The railroad right-of-way in this proceeding is suitable for railbanking. In addition to the public use conditions sought above, proponent also makes the following request:

STATEMENT OF WILLINGNESS TO ASSUME FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

In order to establish interim trail use and railbanking under section 8(d) of the National Trails System Act, 16 U.S.C. §1247(d), and 49 CFR §1152.29, the proponent is willing: to indemnify Union Pacific Railroad Company from any potential liability arising from the use of the right-of-way; to assume full responsibility for management of the right-of-way; and, to assume full responsibility for the payment of any and all taxes that may be levied or assessed against the right-of-way owned and operated by Union Pacific Railroad Company.

The property, known as the El Dorado Subdivision, extends from railroad milepost 457.0 near Gilcrest, to railroad milepost 460.6 near El Dorado Junction, a distance of 3.6 miles in Ouachita County, Arkansas. The right-of-way is part of a line of railroad proposed for abandonment in STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 222X).

A map depicting the right-of-way is attached.

The proponent acknowledges that use of the right-of-way is subject to the user's continuing to meet its responsibilities described above and subject to possible future reconstruction and reactivation of the right-of-way for rail service.

By my signature below, I certify service upon Union Pacific Railroad Company, c/o Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Senior General Attorney, 101 North Wacker Drive, Room 1920, Chicago, Illinois 60606, by U.S. Postal Service, postage pre-paid, overnight special delivery, on this 9th day of June, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

The City of Camden, Arkansas

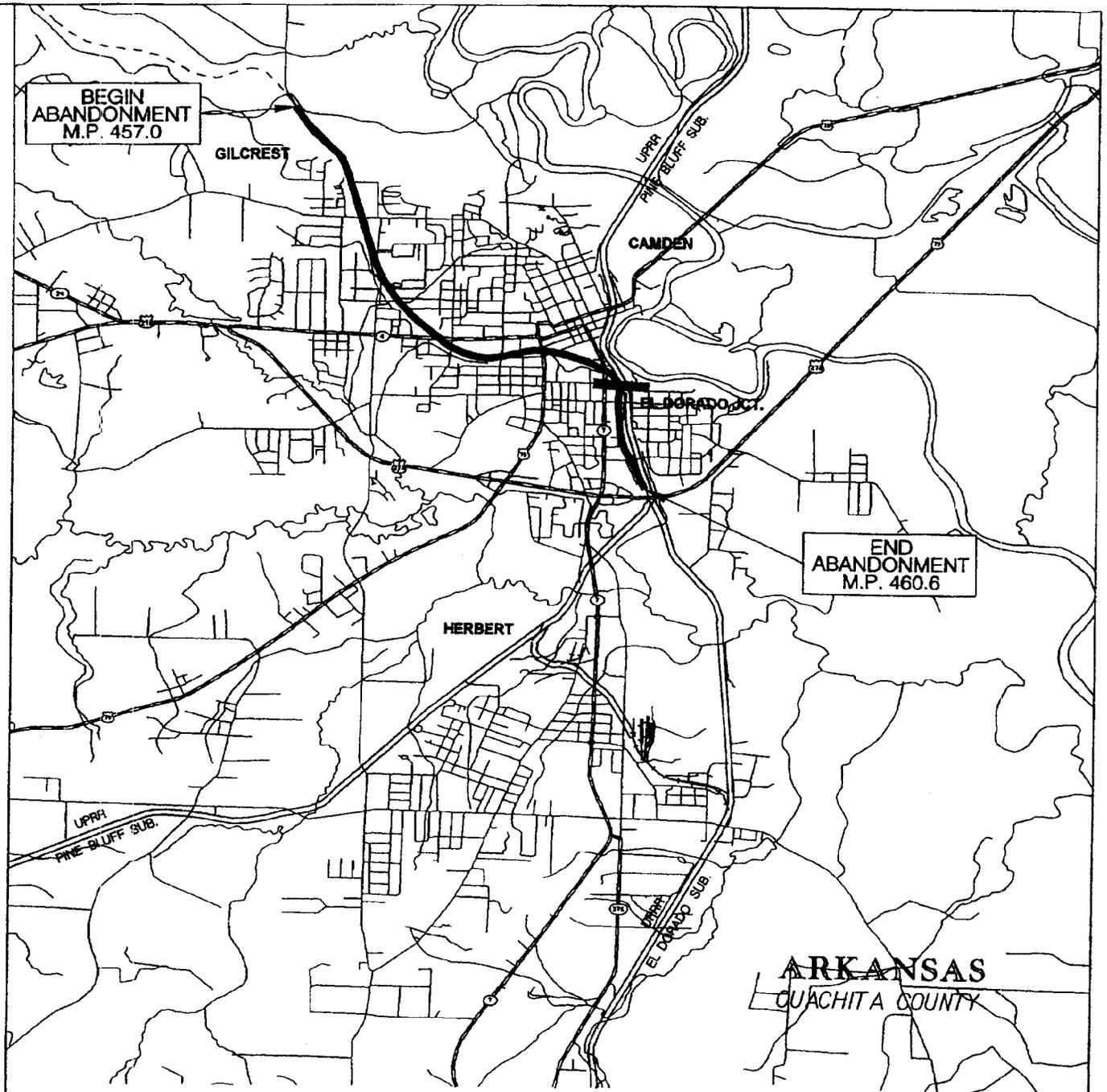
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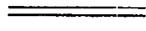
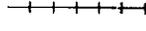
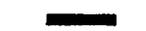
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CC: Mr. Mack H. Shumate, Jr., Representative for Union Pacific Railroad Company
Mayor Chris Claybaker



BRIDGE NO.	BRIDGE TYPE	TOTAL LENGTH	DATE
480.2	1-28' BEAM SPAN	28'	1918
480.2	4 SPAN 53' TPTOD	212'	1935

LEGEND

-  UPRR LINES TO BE ABANDONED
-  ABANDONED TRACK
-  OTHER UPRR LINES
-  OTHER RAILROADS
-  PRINCIPAL HIGHWAYS
-  OTHER ROADS
-  50+ YEAR OLD STRUCTURES

EL DORADO SUBDIVISION

MP 457.0 TO MP 460.6
TOTAL OF 3.6 MILES
IN QUACHITA COUNTY, ARKANSAS

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CO.

EL DORADO SUBDIVISION

CAMDEN, ARKANSAS

INCLUDING 50+ YEAR OLD STRUCTURES



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