

imported certain objects that I or another Department official with delegated authority under 22 U.S.C. 2459 had determined, prior to importation, are of cultural significance and whose temporary exhibition or display is in the national interest. I hereby confirm that if the national interest determination contained in a **Federal Register** Notice for such objects noted the possibility of display at “additional exhibitions or venues to be determined” following the approximate (*i.e.*, “on or about”) dates of exhibition at the venue or venues stated in the Notice, the Department official’s intention was to make determinations that would continue through a reasonable period of temporary display—including at the originally stated venue or venues—not necessarily limited to the dates of exhibition referenced in the Notice. As such, the Department regards its determinations of cultural significance and national interest made upon such objects prior to their importation as remaining valid through a reasonable but originally unforeseen extension of the objects’ display due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chi D. Tran, Program Administrator, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202-632-6471; email: section2459@state.gov). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, L/PD, SA-5, Suite 5H03, Washington, DC 20522-0505.

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Assistant Secretary, Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Delegation of Authority No. 484]

Authorities of the Director of the Office of Foreign Missions

By virtue of the authority of the Secretary of State pursuant to the laws of the United States, and as delegated by Department of State Delegation of Authority No. 462, I hereby delegate to the Principal Deputy Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, to the extent authorized by law, all functions and authorities of the Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, as well as all functions and authorities that have been or may be delegated to such Director.

The functions delegated herein may be re-delegated, to the extent authorized by law. This delegation of authority does not revoke, supersede, or affect any other delegation of authority. Any

authority covered by this delegation may also be exercised by the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary, the Under Secretary for Management, and the Director of the Office of Foreign Missions.

This delegation of authority will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated May 26, 2020.

Brian J. Bulatao,

Under Secretary of State for Management, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 801X)]

**CSX Transportation, Inc.—
Abandonment Exemption—in
Greenbrier and Fayette Counties, W.
Va**

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon an approximately 6.39-mile rail line between milepost CAF 20.61 and milepost CAF 27.0, near Rainelle in Greenbrier and Fayette Counties, W. Va. (the Line).¹ The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Code 25962 and does not include any stations.

CSXT has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) any overhead traffic can be rerouted over other lines; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or by 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 (Board) or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the two-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 and 1105.8 (notice of environmental and historic report), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

Any employee of CSXT adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth &*

¹ CSXT was granted authority in 2017 to abandon two contiguous segments of track that together encompass the Line. See *CSX Transp., Inc.—Aban. Exemption—in Greenbrier & Fayette Cts., W. Va., AB 55 (Sub No. 768X) (STB served Jan. 27, 2017)* and *CSX Transp., Inc.—Aban. Exemption—in Greenbrier Cty., W. Va., AB 55 (Sub-No. 776X) (STB served Dec. 20, 2017)*. Because its authority to abandon expired in both proceedings, CSXT is seeking renewed authority to abandon the Line.

Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received,² the exemption will be effective on July 22, 2020, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues,³ formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2), and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by July 2, 2020.⁴ Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by July 13, 2020, with the Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001.

A copy of any petition filed with the Board should be sent to CSXT’s representative, Louis E. Gitomer, Law Offices of Louis E. Gitomer, LLC, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio.

CSXT has filed a combined environmental and historic report that addresses the potential effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) by July 17, 2020. The Draft EA will be available to interested persons on the Board’s website, by writing to OEA, or by calling OEA at (202) 245-0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the Draft EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or interim trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed,

² Persons interested in submitting an OFA must first file a formal expression of intent to file an offer, indicating the type of financial assistance they wish to provide (*i.e.*, subsidy or purchase) and demonstrating that they are preliminarily financially responsible. See 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)(i).

³ The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board’s Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption’s effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption’s effective date.

⁴ Filing fees for OFAs and trail use requests can be found at 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25) and (27), respectively.