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Re: Proposed Abandonment of the McHenry Industrial Lead from Milepost 21.25 near Escalon to Milepost 26.43 near McHenry, a total distance of 5.18 miles in San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties, California; STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 278X)

Dear Sirs:

Union Pacific Railroad Company plans to request authority from the Surface Transportation Board (STB) to abandon and discontinue service on the McHenry Industrial Lead from Milepost 21.25 near Escalon to Milepost 26.43 near McHenry, a total distance of 5.18 miles in San Joaquin and Stanislaus Counties, California. A map of the proposed track abandonment shown in black is attached.

Pursuant to the STB's regulations at 49 C.F.R. Part 1152, and the environmental regulations at 40 C.F. R. Part 1105.7, this is to request your assistance in identifying any potential effects of this action as indicated in the paragraphs below. We do not anticipate any adverse environmental impacts. However, if you identify any adverse environmental impacts, describe any actions that are proposed in order to mitigate the environmental impacts. Please provide us with a written response that can be included in an Environmental Report, which will be sent to the STB.

LOCAL AND/OR REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCIES. State whether the proposed action is consistent with existing land use plans. Describe any inconsistencies.

U. S. SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE. State the effect of the proposed action on any prime agricultural land.

U. S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (And State Game And Parks Commission, If Addressed). State (1) 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, and, (2) whether wildlife sanctuaries or refuges, National or State parks or forests will be affected, and describe any effects.

STATE WATER QUALITY OFFICIALS. State whether the proposed action is consistent with applicable Federal, State or Local water quality standards. Describe any inconsistencies.

U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS. State (1) whether permits under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S. C. § 1344) are required for the proposed action and (2) whether any designated wetlands or 100-year flood plains will be affected. Describe the effects.

U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (OR EQUIVALENT AGENCY). (1) Identify any potential effects on the surrounding area, (2) identify the location of hazardous waste sites and known hazardous material spills on the right-of-way and list the types of hazardous materials involved, and (3) state whether permits under Section 402 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1342) are required for the proposed action.

Thank you for your assistance. Please send your reply to the undersigned.

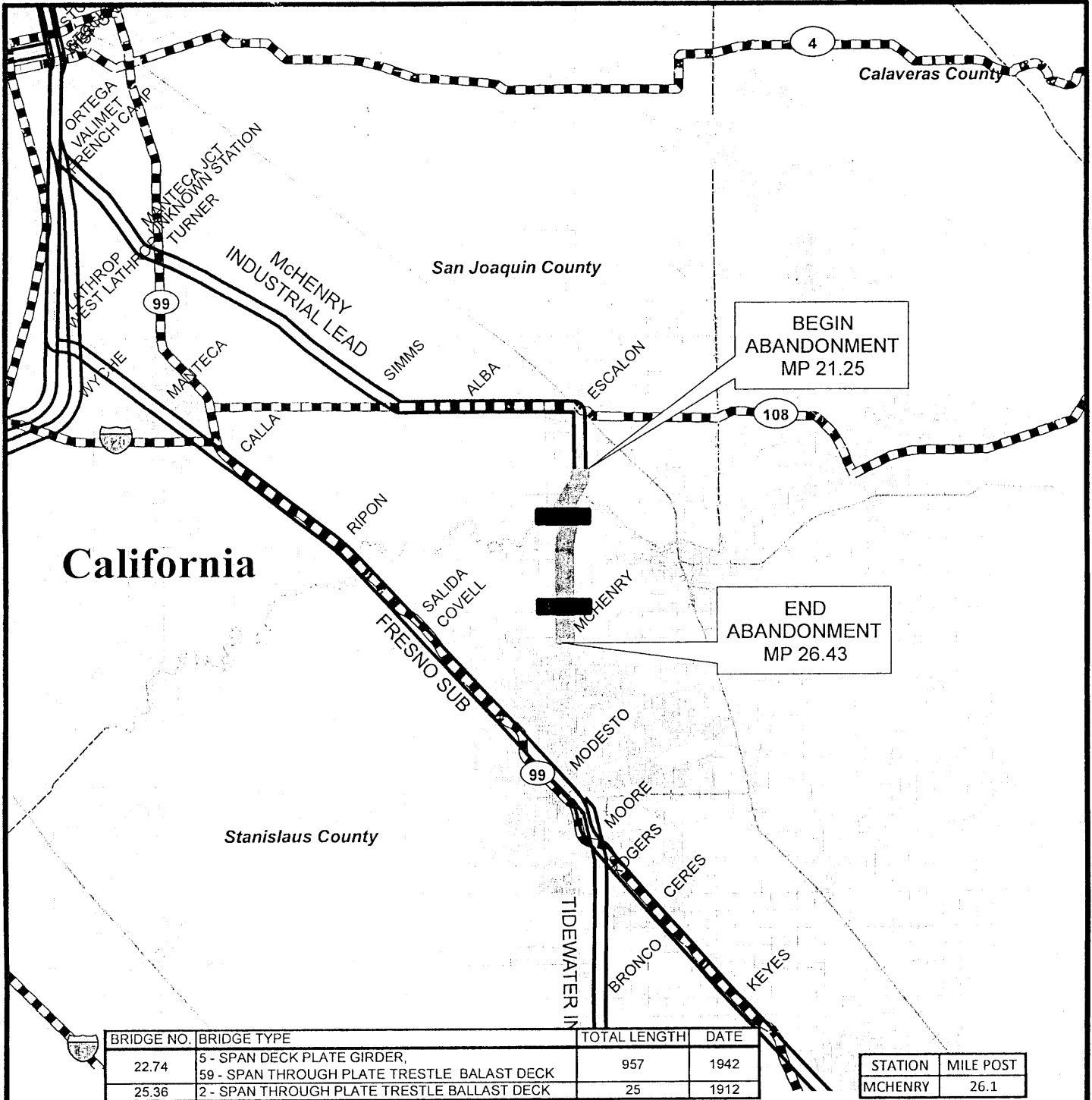
Sincerely,



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Enclosure(s)



BEGIN
ABANDONMENT
MP 21.25

END
ABANDONMENT
MP 26.43

BRIDGE NO.	BRIDGE TYPE	TOTAL LENGTH	DATE
22.74	5 - SPAN DECK PLATE GIRDER,	957	1942
59	SPAN THROUGH PLATE TRESTLE BALAST DECK		
25.36	2 - SPAN THROUGH PLATE TRESTLE BALLAST DECK	25	1912

STATION	MILE POST
MCHENRY	26.1

Legend

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

MCHENRY INDUSTRIAL LEAD

MP 21.25 TO MP 26.43
TOTAL OF 5.18 MILES IN CALIFORNIA,
IN SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY = 1.55 MILES
IN STANISLAUS COUNTY = 3.63 MILES

**UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD CO.
MCHENRY INDUSTRIAL LEAD
CALIFORNIA**

INCLUDING 50+ YEAR OLD STRUCTURES

