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In the Matter of the Petition
of CSX Transportation, Inc.
to Close to Vehicular Traffic
the Bloominggrove/New
Winchester Road Grade
Crossing (DOT No. 262042J),
Located in Washington
Township, Morrow County,
Ohio.

List of exhibits being filed:

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Reporter's Signature: _____

Date Submitted: _____

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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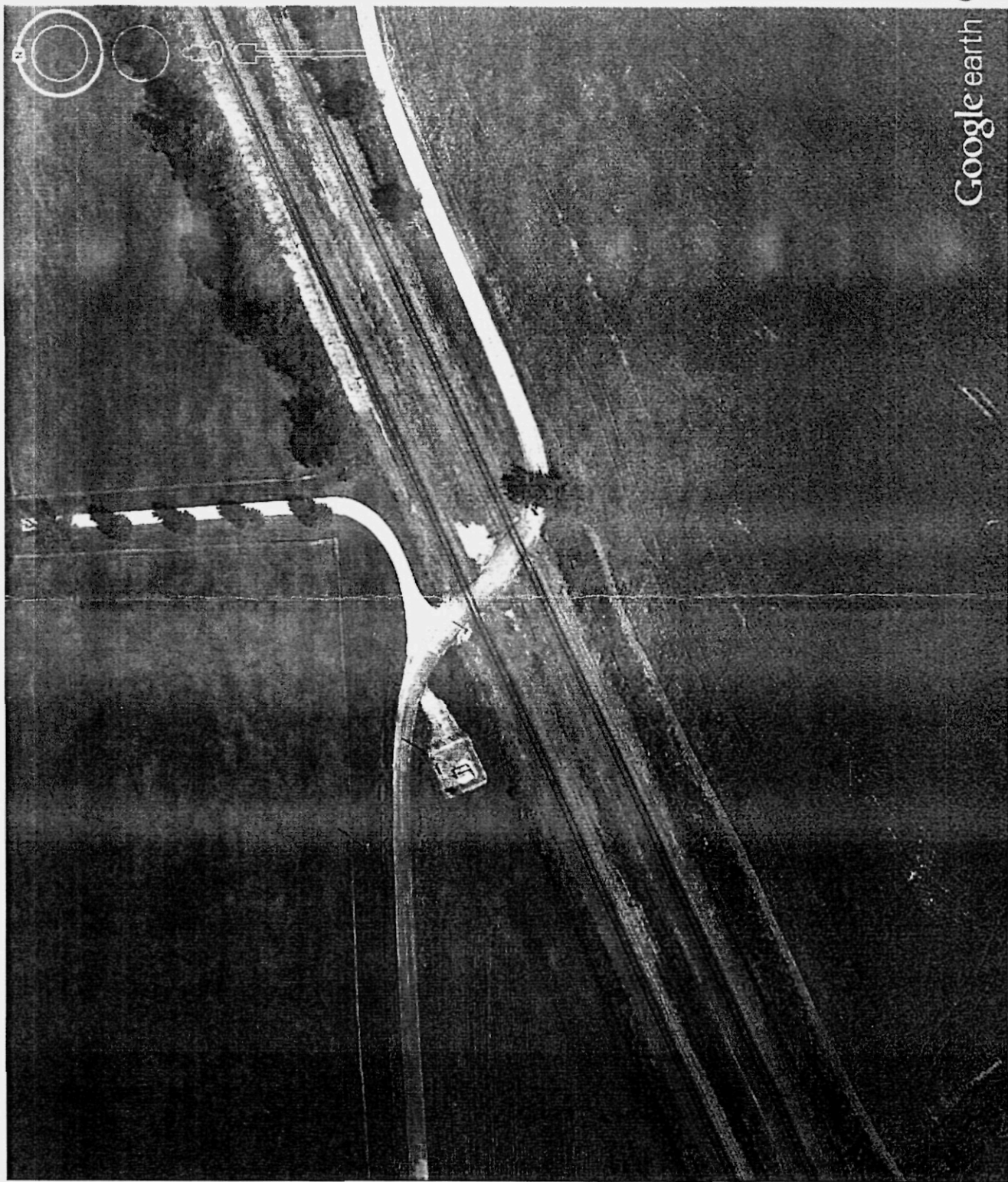
PROCEEDINGS

Before Bryce A. McKenney, Attorney Examiner, at
the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, 180 East
Broad Street, Room 11-C, Columbus, Ohio, called at
10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2015.

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CSX 12



CSXT 13



CSXT 14



CSXT 15



Ohio Rail Development Commission
1980 W. Broad Street, 2nd Floor
Columbus, OH 43223

Diagnostic Review Team Survey

Date: 11.8.11

Location Data

Street or Road Name: Bloominggrove-New Winchester Rd.			
Route/Road Number (i.e. Twp., Co., SR or US) CR 8		AAR-DOT No.: 262042J	
County: MOR MRW	Township: POLK	City: (In or Near)	Galion
Railroad Name: CSX	Railroad Division: Great Lakes	Branch/Line Name:	Indianapolis LN
Nearest RR Timetable Station: Galion		RR Milepost:	82.75 GI

On-Site Review Team

(Include: Name - Organization - Phone Number - Email)

1. MIKE FORTE ORDC 614-374-9287
2. GEORGE MARTIN PUCO 614-752-9107
3. KAREN MURPHY CSXT 904-359-1650
4. RANDY TATTERSON PUCO 614-466-7150
5. RANDY BUSH MRW 419-947-4530
6. STEPHAN BLOOMFIELD MRW 419-560-5865
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.

Existing Traffic Control Devices

Type of Warning Devices	Installed?		Quantity/Comments
Advance Warning Signs (condition?)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	2 FAIR
'Stop' Signs	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
'Stop Ahead' Signs	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No NA	
Pavement Markings (condition?)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Crossbucks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	2, 1 YIELD
Number of Tracks Signs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	2
Inventory Tags	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	1
Interconnected Highway Traffic Signal	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Mast-Mounted Flashing Lights	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Cantilever Flashing Lights	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number: Length:
Side Lights	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Automatic Gates	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number: Length:
Bells	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number:
Sidewalk Gate Arms	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
'No Turn' Signs	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Illumination	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Is crossing flagged by train crew?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	RUMBLE STRIPS 2

4 - DIRECTIONAL ARROW SIGN
1 - CURVE (W.B.)
1 - 15 MPH CURVE (E.B.)

Safety Data (Obtain crash reports, if possible, prior to review)		
	Initial Information (from database)	Revised
Number & dates of crashes in previous 5 years	0	
Hazard Ranking	454	Date Run: 10/27/11
Railroad Data		
Railroad Characteristics	Initial Information (from database)	Revised
Total trains per day	18	20
< 1 per day		
Day thru trains	8	
Night thru trains	10	
Daytime switching movements	0	2
Nighttime switching movements	0	
Total number of tracks		
Number of main tracks	2	
Number of other tracks	0	
Maximum train speed	60	
Typical train speed		55 to 60
Amtrak		N
If non-gated crossing, is clearing sight distance adequate in all quadrants? (See Table 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No SE QUAD		
If multiple tracks, can two trains occupy crossing at the same time? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Can one train block the motorists' view of another train at crossing? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes (Explain below) <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Can one or more tracks be eliminated through the crossing? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Are there other track(s) crossing this same roadway within 100 ft of this crossing? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
If yes, Crossing DOT # (if different) _____		
If yes, distance _____ (take measurement between track centerlines at closest point along roadway)		
Roadway Data		
Local Highway Authority:		Morrow County
Roadway Characteristics	Initial Information (from database)	Revised
Average daily traffic	184 (2010)	
Highway paved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Roadway Surface:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blacktop <input type="checkbox"/> Gravel <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Roadway width:	_____ ft. VARIES	
Number of highway lanes		2
Urban or Rural	Rural Local	
Vehicle Speed:	55 MPH	15 MPH TEMP CONDITION
School Bus Operation:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes Amount 8	
Hazardous Materials Trucks:	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes Amount _____	
Shoulders:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Is the shoulder surfaced?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Is there existing guardrail along roadway in crossing vicinity?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Is stopping site distance adequate? (See Table 2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If no, deficient approach(es) AT 55 MPH

Quadrant _____ Curb and Gutter: <input type="checkbox"/> Functional (Curb height = 4" or more) <input type="checkbox"/> Non-functional (Curb height = Less than 4") <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	Quadrant _____ Curb and Gutter: <input type="checkbox"/> Functional (Curb height = 4" or more) <input type="checkbox"/> Non-functional (Curb height = Less than 4") <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None
Pedestrians: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Is sidewalk present? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Is there a nearby intersection that could cause queuing over the crossing? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, Distance _____	
Is this intersection signalized? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Are the signals currently interconnected with the existing crossing warning devices? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Is there a 'Do not Stop on Track' sign? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Is a roadway improvement project (e.g. widening, turn lanes, nearby new or upgraded traffic signal, sidewalk) planned at or near this location in the foreseeable future? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, Improvement type _____ Lead Agency _____ Timeline/completion _____	
Is it the consensus of the Diagnostic Review Team that this is a potential closure project? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes Explain reasons: <u>2 RESIDENTS</u>	
Type of Development	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open Space <input type="checkbox"/> Institutional <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential	Location of nearby schools: <u>GALION CITY ABOUT 3MI</u>
Utility Information	
Is commercial power available? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Utility Provider (Company Name) <u>AEP</u> Phone Number _____	
Nearest Available Power Source <u>100' NORTH</u>	
What other utilities are present? <u>PHONE JUNCTION BOX, GAS WEST OF XING</u> (add locations to sketch)	
Is(are) there potential utility conflict(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
Comments: <u>NO MARKS OR POSTS</u>	

Potential Red Flags / Project Challenges

Traffic Signal Preemption (Include traffic signal intersection name and LHA with jurisdiction over traffic signal, if known):

NO

Crossing Consolidation or Closure:

YES - DISCUSSED

Real Estate or ROW:

HIGHWAY 60' RR 155'

Culverts / Drainage / Ballast Conditions:

NO

Roadway and/or Sidewalks:

NO

Circuitry (e.g. reaches out to other crossings, specific needs, etc.):

NO

Environmental:

NO

Other:

Diagnostic Team Recommendations

	Quadrants Needed
<input type="checkbox"/> Install/upgrade active devices	
<input type="checkbox"/> Automatic Flashing Lights (AFLS)	
<input type="checkbox"/> AFLS / Cants	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AFLS / Gates	1 NW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AFLS / Gates / Cants	1 SE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bells / number	1 NW
<input type="checkbox"/> Upgrade circuitry / type	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sidelights	1 SETS NW + BACK LIGHTS
<input type="checkbox"/> Guardrail Needed	
<input type="checkbox"/> Install/Replace curb	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bungalow placement & offset from rail & highway	NW
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (define)	

Comments:

NW EXTRA LIGHTS AND BACKLIGHTS FOR HIGHWAY
AROUND CURVE AND DRIVEWAY.

<input type="checkbox"/> Install/upgrade traffic signal preemption	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Improvements needed	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (define)	

Acknowledgement of Recommendations (each entity represented at the diagnostic must have at least one signature acknowledgement):

M. Fox

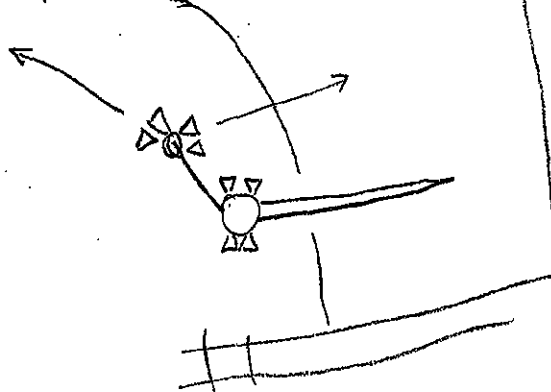
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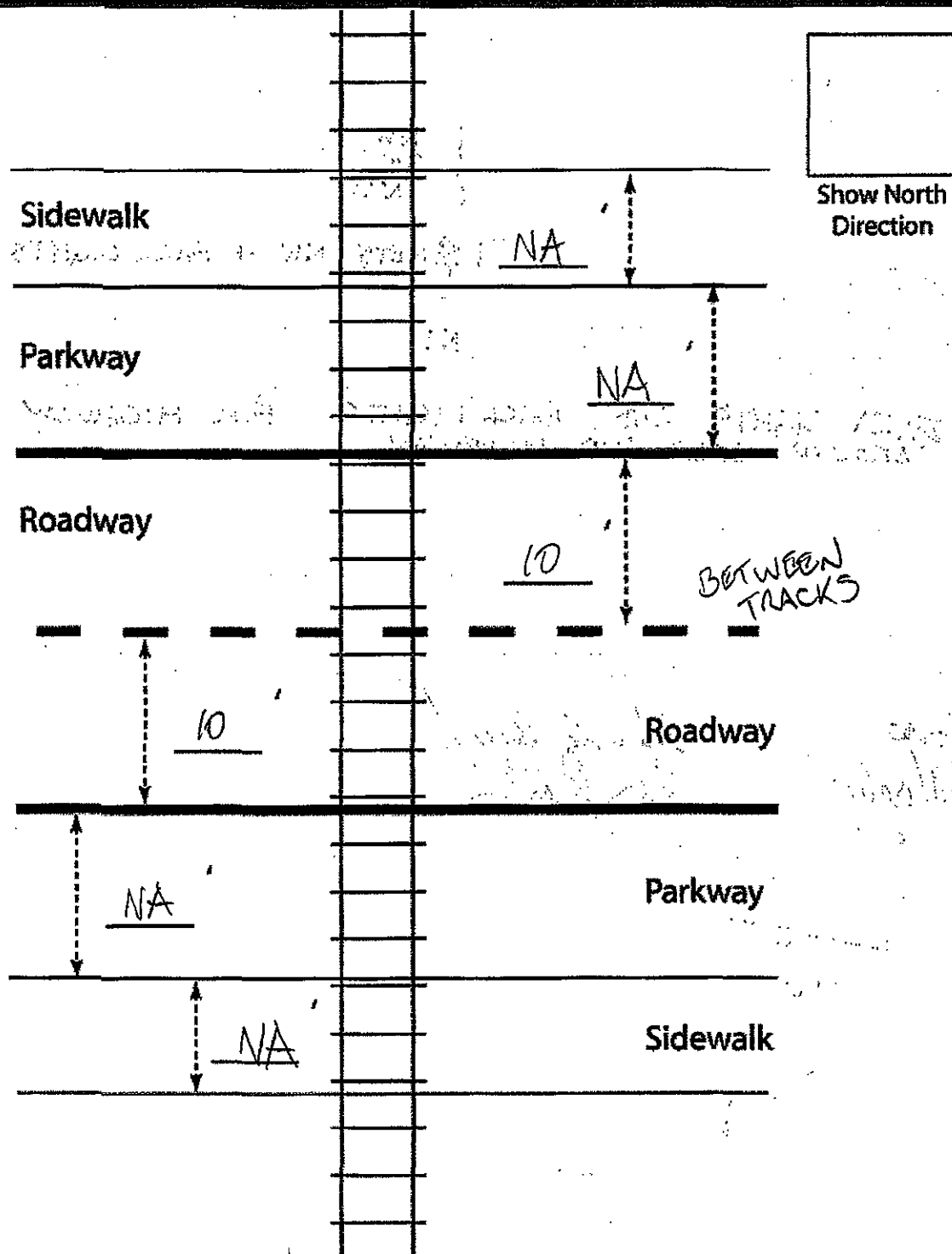
Gary Martin

NW QUAD
W.D.

DRIVEWAY



Field Dimensions

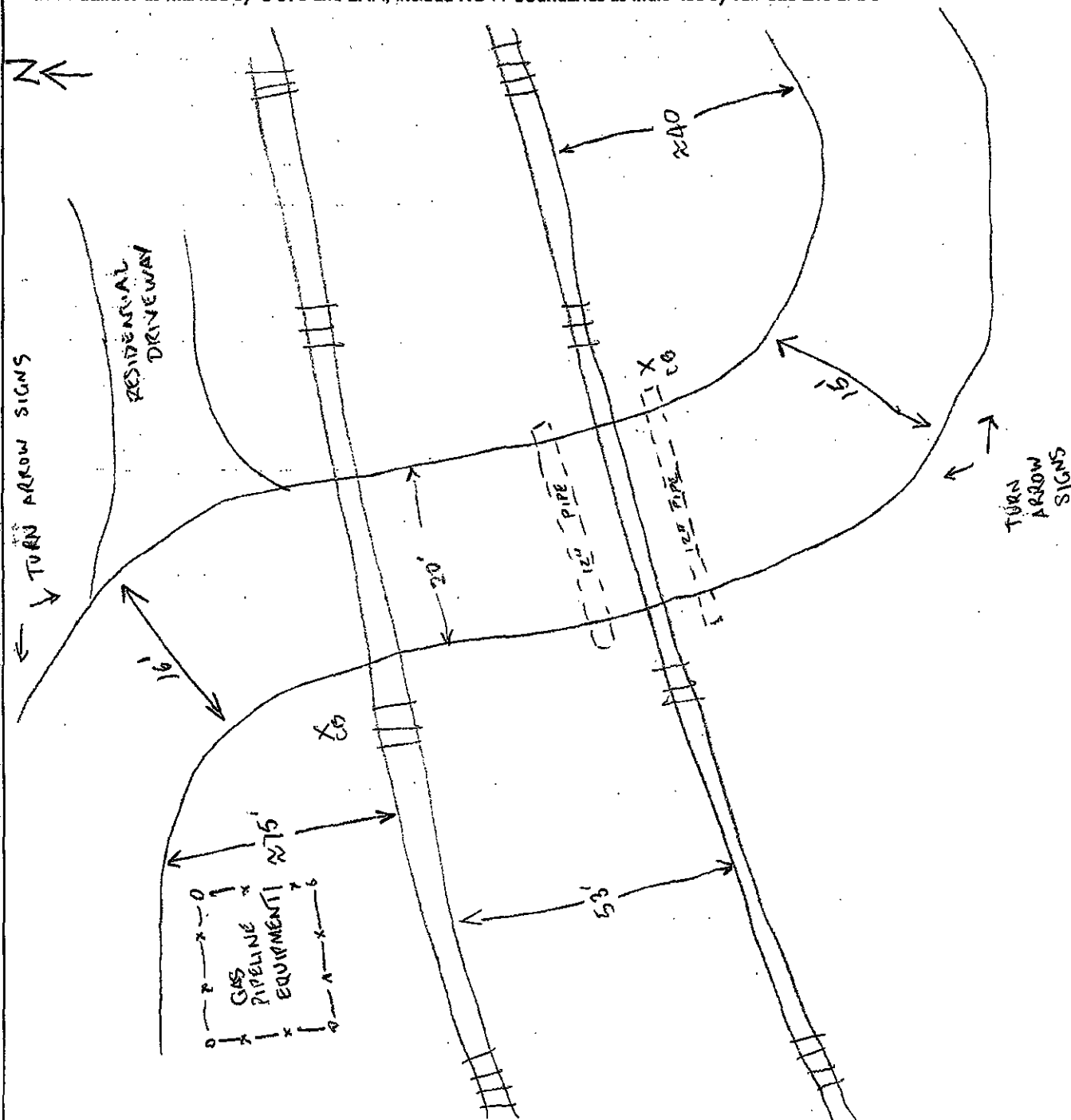


Crossing Angle ☐ 0-29° ☐ 30-59° ☒ 60-90° Measured In NW Quadrant?

Measurements by: MDE

Field Sketch

Include utilities as marked by OUPS and LHA; include ROW boundaries as indicated by railroad and LHA.



Crossing Angle ☐ 0-29° ☐ 30-59° ☒ 60-90° Measured in SE Quadrant?

Sketch by: MDF

TABLE 1**Clearing Sight Distances**

Maximum Authorized Train Speed	Distance (dT) Along Railroad from Crossing (ft)
1 - 10	240
15	360
20	480
25	600
30	720
35	840
40	960
45	1080
50	1200
55	1320
60	1440
65	1560
70	1680
75	1800
80	1920
85	2040
90	2160

Source: R-H Grade Crossing Handbook Table 36 (pp. 132-133)

Notes:

All calculated distances are rounded up to the next higher 5-foot increment.

Distances indicated are for 65-ft double bottom semi-tractor trailers and level single track 90 degree crossings; and may need to be adjusted for multiple tracks, skewed crossings or approaches on grades.

Clearing Sight Distance is to be measured in each vehicle travel direction at non-gated crossings as viewed from a point 25 feet from centerline of nearest track in the center of whichever travel lane is nearest the direction along track being measured.

Table 2**Stopping Sight Distances**

Highway Vehicle Speed	Distance (dH) Along Roadway from Crossing (ft)
0	n/a
5	50
10	70
15	105
20	135
25	180
30	225
35	280
40	340
45	410
50	490
55	570
60	660
65	760
70	865

Source: R-H Grade Crossing Handbook Table 36 (pp. 132-133)

Notes:

All calculated distances are rounded up to the next higher 5-foot increment.

Distances indicated are for 65-ft double bottom semi-tractor trailers on dry level pavements.

Stopping Sight Distance is to be measured on each roadway approach to crossing from stop bar.



OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

1980 WEST BROAD STREET • COLUMBUS, OH 43223

JOHN R. KASICH, GOVERNOR • JAMES G. BRADLEY, ORDC CHAIRMAN

April 20, 2012

Mr. L. Randy Bush, P.E., P.S.
County Engineer, Morrow County
50 East High Street, Courthouse
Mt. Gilead, OH 43338-1487



Subject: Morrow County, CR 8, Bloomingrove-New Winchester Road,
CSX Transportation Grade Crossing DOT# 262042J

Dear Mr. Bush:

A constituent complaint was filed on the subject crossing. The Ohio Rail Development Commission ("ORDC") reviewed the complaint and the crossing characteristics and found that it ranked 380 out of the 6,100 crossings in the State of Ohio. Representatives from the ORDC, Public Utilities Commission ("PUCO"), CSX Transportation (CSX) and you were at the CR 8, Bloomingrove-New Winchester Road grade crossing on November 8, 2011 for the purposes of a diagnostic review. The intent of the meeting was to discuss the possibility of upgrading the warning devices at the crossing. At that meeting the crossing was identified for potential closure of the road at the grade crossing.

It is a goal of ORDC to eliminate redundant grade crossings wherever possible to increase safety for the citizens of Ohio. ORDC and CSX believe that CR 8, Bloomingrove-New Winchester Road is a redundant grade crossing that should be considered for elimination. Should the County decide in favor of closing CR 8, Bloomingrove-New Winchester Road CSX and ORDC are prepared to offer the following:

1. \$5,000.00 of CSX funds which may be used by the Township and City for any purpose.
2. \$15,000.00 (an additional \$7,500.00 from CSX and \$7,500.00 from ORDC), which may be used for highway safety improvements pre-approved in writing by the Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA"). Examples of this type of improvement would be signage throughout the community, paving, curb and gutter work, installation of guardrails or barriers, and installation of traffic control devices.

Attached is sample consent legislation for consideration by the County Commissioners ("County"). The offer for incentives will remain viable for six (6) months from the date of this letter. Prior to that date, the enacted consent legislation must be provided to the ORDC with notices and meeting minutes of all meetings at which Commissioners discussed the proposed crossing closure. Also, public involvement in the road closure is required and a public meeting must be scheduled and documentation of the public meeting notice and meeting notes must be submitted to the ORDC.

ORDC has worked with many communities to eliminate grade crossings and while closing a road is never an easy decision, the fact remains that once a crossing is closed there is no possibility of a vehicle train collision at that location in the future. The proposal for the closure of CR 8, Bloomingrove-New

Winchester Road and incentives will provide benefits to the citizens of Morrow County increasing safety for travelers through your community.

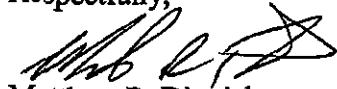
The decision with regard to the joint ORDC/CSX offer rests with the County. Provided the County accepts this offer, it is important to understand that the incentive funds cannot be accessed unless all of the following conditions are met.

1. Written notification by the County to ORDC and CSX of its agreement to accept their proposal and close CR 8 and enactment of consent legislation by the County no later than October 20, 2012.
2. Creation of a subsidy agreement by the ORDC outlining the terms of the project amongst the ORDC, PUCO, County and CSX. At the same time, the ORDC will request environmental clearance from the Ohio Department of Transportation ("ODOT") for the closure of CR 8.
3. Upon execution of the subsidy agreement and securing environmental clearance approval, the ORDC will program the project with the FHWA and encumber the \$7,500 of ORDC funds.

Should this offer not be accepted, the ORDC would most likely initiate a flashing lights and roadway gates improvement project at the crossing. This project can be contested by CSX filing a petition, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code §4907, to the PUCO for forced closure of the crossing. Should CSX opt to take this action the ORDC incentives for the closure will no longer be an option open to the County.

Thank you for consideration of this proposal. I understand that this is a complicated issue; I encourage any local highway authority representatives to contact Susan Kirkland of my staff to discuss this proposal. Susan may be reached at (614) 644-0286 or susan.kirkland@dot.state.oh.us. Because of the hazardous nature of the crossing the ORDC requests an initial response to this communication from the County within 30 days of the date of the letter. I look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,



Matthew R. Dietrich

Executive Director

Ohio Rail Development Commission

Attachment (1)

- C: Tom E. Whiston, Chairman, Morrow County Commissioners
Tony Bellamy, Director, Project Management / Public Projects, CSX
Cliff Stayton, Director of Public Affairs and Safety, CSX
Rusty Orben, Director of Public Affairs, Ohio, CSX
Leah Thomas-Dalton, Chief, Railroad Division, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Joe Reinhardt, Project Manager, Ohio Rail Development Commission
Amanda DeCesare, Project Manager, Public Projects, CSX
Terry Ludban, Regional Coordinator Mid-Atlantic, CSX

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF THE OHIO
RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (ORDC) AND CSX
TRANSPORTATION (CSX) FOR THE CLOSURE OF A PUBLIC
GRADE CROSSING ON CR 8, BLOOMINGROVE-NEW
WINCHESTER ROAD.**

To provide consent for the permanent closure to vehicular and pedestrian traffic of a public grade crossing as recommended by the Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC), and CSX Transportation (CSX).

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made to change the character of CR 8, BLOOMINGROVE-NEW WINCHESTER ROAD, DOT# 155 719D by prohibiting through vehicular and pedestrian traffic over the at-grade, CSX crossing thereby benefitting the safety of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY agrees with the foregoing and desires to provide its consent to permit permanent closure of the aforementioned public grade crossing subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the proposal has been submitted to the COUNTY and the COUNTY finds the proposal to be in the best interest of the community in that it will enhance the safety of the traveling public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Trustees of the COUNTY, at least a majority of its members concurring:

SECTION I

That the Trustees hereby authorize and approve changing the character of CR 8, BLOOMINGROVE-NEW WINCHESTER ROAD, by barricading and prohibiting vehicular and pedestrian traffic across the at-grade railroad crossing traversing the street.

SECTION II

That the Trustees hereby accept the following incentive offer of the ORDC and CSX in exchange for the COUNTY's permanent closure of the CR 8, Bloomingrove-New Winchester Road crossing:

- \$5,000.00 of CSX funds which may be used by the COUNTY for any purpose; and

- \$15,000.00 of incentive funds (7,500.00 from CSX and \$7,500.00 from ORDC) that must be used for an approved highway safety improvement.

SECTION III

That the COUNTY will install barricades on public property at the crossing to be closed, and remove the roadway surface approaching the crossing.

SECTION IV

That the COUNTY administration is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents and to do all other things they deem necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Legislation, including entering into any contractual agreements with CSX and ORDC.

Approved by: _____

I hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. _____
passed _____, 2012.

Morrow County



OHIO RAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Mail Stop #3140, 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus OH 43223

John R. Kasich, Governor • James G. Bradley, Chairman



October 25, 2013

Mr. Thomas E. Whiston
Chairman
Morrow County Commissioners
80 North Walnut Street, Suite A
Mount Gilead, Ohio 43338

Subject: Morrow County, CR 8, Bloomingrove-New Winchester Road, (Crawford-Morrow Line Road)
CSX Transportation Grade Crossing DOT# 262042J

Dear Mr. Whiston:

The Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) and CSX Transportation (CSX) wrote to the Morrow County Engineer on April 20, 2012, with a joint offer for the closure of CR 8, Crawford-Morrow Line Road. This offer was subsequently rejected by the County Commissioners.

ORDC and CSX request that the County reconsider the offer made on April 20, 2012. In addition to the incentives made previously, ORDC and CSX are willing to modify the warning devices at the adjacent TR 32, Keiffer Road, grade crossing number 262043R. This will improve safety at this alternate route with the installation of lights and gates. The alternate route on Biddle Road is already equipped with lights and gates.

I understand that the decision to close a grade crossing is difficult and that the Commissioners desire to act in the best interest of their community. However a highway rail grade crossing inherently creates a hazardous situation. The closing of a grade crossing eliminates the possibility of a vehicle/train collision at that location. While there have been no recent incidents at the Crawford-Morrow Line Road grade crossing, based on accident prediction data this crossing is the second most hazardous crossing in Morrow County.

Due to the hazardous nature of the subject grade crossing, this revised proposal will only be open for 30 days from the date of this letter. I understand that the process of communications and a resolution will take longer than 30 days; however a response regarding the intent of the Commissioners is needed to keep the offer open during that process.

If the Commissioners are willing to consider the closure of Crawford-Morrow Line Road, please contact Cathy Stout of my staff for information on how a project of this nature usually



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progresses. Of particular importance is the public involvement requirement for the environmental (NEPA) process. Cathy may be reached at 614-644-0313 or cstout@dot.state.oh.us.

Respectfully,



Matthew R. Dietrich
Executive Director
Ohio Rail Development Commission

C: Randy Bush, County Engineer, Morrow County
Rusty Orben, Director of Public Affairs, Ohio, CSX
Chuck Gullackson, Assistant Chief Engineer, Public Improvements, CSX
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December 24, 2013

Mr. Thomas E. Whiston
Chairman
Morrow County Commissioners
80 North Walnut Street, Suite A
Mount Gilead, OH 43338



**RE: *Morrow County Ohio, CR8,
Bloominggrove- New Winchester Road
(Crawford- Morrow Line Road)***

Dear Mr. Whiston:

Please be advised that this office, and specifically the undersigned, have been retained by CSX Transportation, Inc. to file a Petition for Closure of the above referenced crossing pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 4907.474 and 4907.475. We anticipate filing that Petition with the Ohio Public Utilities Commission ("PUCO") shortly after the first of the year.

In the meantime, I have been authorized by the Ohio Rail Development Commission ("ORDC") and CSX Transportation, Inc. to advise that their combined joint offer for closure, the terms of which are set forth in the ORDC's letters dated April 20, 2012 and October 25, 2013 (copies attached), will remain open until the Petition for Closure is filed with the PUCO in early January. Once the Petition is filed, I anticipate that offer will be withdrawn.

If you have any questions in this regard, or if would like to discuss this matter, please feel free to give me a call. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee Evans".

R. Leland Evans

December 24, 2013

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CC: Matthew R. Dietrich, Ohio Rail Development Commission
Cathy Stout, Ohio Rail Development Commission
Randy Bush, County Engineer, Morrow County
Randall Schumacher, Railroad Division, PUCO
Joe Reinhardt, Ohio Rail Development Commission
Rusty Orben, *Director of Public Affairs, Ohio, CSX*
Chuck Gullackson, Assistant Chief Engineer, Public Improvements, CSX

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Petition of CSX
Transportation, Inc. to Close to Vehicular
Traffic the Bloominggrove-New Winchester
Road (Crawford-Morrow County Line Road)
Crossing in Washington Township, Morrow
County, Ohio

Case No. 14- 0379 -RR-UNC0

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PETITION FOR CLOSURE

CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT"), by and through the undersigned counsel, hereby files this Petition for Closure requesting that the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") exercise the authority granted to it under Ohio Revised Code §§ 4907.474 and 4907.475 to close the Bloominggrove-New Winchester Road, also known as Crawford-Morrow County Line Road (hereinafter, "B-NW Road crossing"), railroad grade crossing located in Washington Township, Morrow County, Ohio, DOT I.D. No. 262042], to all vehicular traffic. CSXT is the railroad that has jurisdiction over this crossing. Petitioner CSXT states that the evidence will establish that there is not a demonstrable need for the crossing to exist and that the crossing should be closed.

The closure of the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing will not cause unreasonable inconvenience to the public because it is a redundant crossing and all vehicular traffic can be diverted to adjacent roads and other nearby crossings, located in Washington Township, Morrow County and Polk Township, Crawford County, without causing significant impact on traffic patterns, the operation of emergency vehicles and/or commercial enterprises in the area.

As will be shown in greater detail below, the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing in Washington Township, Morrow County, Ohio is a two-lane rural road which maintains a low volume of vehicular traffic. The east side of the crossing consists of park land and a reservoir. The west side of the crossing consists of farm land and sparse residential dwellings. B-NW road briefly runs parallel to the railroad tracks just east of the crossing, before it turns to approach the crossing at approximately a 90° angle, creating a potentially dangerous sight view for motorists. The railroad tracks over which Bloominggrove-New Winchester Road crosses maintain a high volume of train traffic with trains traveling up to the maximum timetable speed of 60 mph. The crossing passes over two sets of main tracks, which are separated by a distance of approximately fifty-three feet.

There are three railroad grade crossings located in the adjacent and immediate area over which the vehicular traffic could traverse when the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing is closed. The three alternate railroad grade crossings are: (1) Keifer Road crossing (DOT I.D. No. 262043R); (2) Biddle Road Crossing (DOT I.D. 262041C); and (3)

Portland Way crossing (DOT I.D. No. 262040V). Portland Way is also known as Route 61 and is a State Highway, hereinafter referenced as Route 61. The particulars of these crossings are discussed more fully below. Two of these alternate railroad grade crossings have additional warning devices compared to the B-NW Road crossing. The B-NW Road crossing is equipped with passive warning devices, specifically two standard government approved crossbucks. The Biddle Road and Route 61 crossings are equipped with flashing lights, gates and crossbucks. Much like the B-NW crossing, the Keifer Road crossing is equipped with two standard government approved crossbucks.

The Ohio Rail Development Commission (hereinafter "ORDC") has previously agreed that closure of the subject crossing to vehicular traffic would be appropriate and, by way of information and belief, is supportive of this Petition for Closure. Closure of this crossing would enable ORDC and CSXT to expend funds that would be used for flashers and gates at the B-NW road crossing for improvements at other crossings.

The B-NW Road railroad grade crossing is appropriate for closure because there is no demonstrable need for the crossing. It has a low volume of traffic, and the volume of traffic will not significantly increase at other crossings when the subject crossing is closed. Additionally, there is one crossing within a linear mile of the subject crossing, and two additional crossings that are just over one linear mile. Two of these crossings already have flashers and gates installed. Based on the factors listed in Ohio Revised Code §§ 4907.474, the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing is appropriate for closure.

Petitioner provides the following evidence in support of its Petition for Closure pursuant to the applicable sections of the Ohio Revised Code:

1. The daily vehicular and train traffic at the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing

It is estimated that between 121 and 184 vehicles cross the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing on a daily basis. (PUCO's Railroad Information System website ("RRIS") Record ID: 426, regarding the B-NW Road crossing, at page 3)("Exhibit 1," copy attached);¹ (U.S. DOT-Crossing Inventory Information, regarding the B-NW Road crossing, at page 2) ("Exhibit 2," copy attached).²

It is estimated that 20 trains pass through the B-NW Road crossing on a daily basis, two of which are switching trains. (Exhibit 1, at page 3). The FRA reported that there were

¹ The PUCO's website links to the Railroad Information System (RRIS) website. This website contains a comprehensive database of highway/rail crossings in the State of Ohio. The database is maintained by the coordinated efforts of the Ohio Rail Development Commission and the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. This website contains photos and detailed information about rail crossings in the State of Ohio, including information about the three crossings related to this petition.

² The purpose of the U.S. DOT National Highway-Rail Crossing Inventory Program is to provide a uniform national inventory database that can be applied to the improvement of safety at highway-rail intersections. The information can be used for planning and implementation of crossing improvement programs by public and private agencies responsible for highway-rail crossing safety. See National Grade Crossing Inventory Overview, <http://www.fra.dot.gov/Page/P0111>.

17 daily train movements though this crossing. (Exhibit 2, at page 1). The typical train speed range over the crossing is 55 to 60 miles per hour. (Exhibit 2, at page 1).

2. The daily vehicular and train traffic at any alternative crossings

The Keifer Road railroad grade crossing is approximately 1.2 miles southwest of the B-NW railroad grade crossing. The Biddle Road railroad grade crossing is approximately one half mile northeast of the B-NW railroad grade crossing, and the Route 61 railroad grade crossing is about 1.15 miles northeast of the B-NW railroad grade crossing. The Route 61 railroad grade crossing is the closest crossing to the nearest city: Galion, Ohio.

The estimated daily vehicular traffic at the Keifer Road crossing is between 116 and 131 vehicles per day. (PUCO's RRIS Record ID: 427, regarding Keifer Road crossing, at page 3) ("Exhibit 3", copy attached); (U.S. DOT-Crossing Inventory Information, regarding Keifer Road crossing, at page 2) ("Exhibit 4," copy attached). The PUCO estimates that 19 trains pass through the Keifer Road crossing on a daily basis. (Exhibit 3, at page 3). The FRA reported that there were 17 daily train movements though this crossing. (Exhibit 4, at page 1). The typical train speed range over the crossing is 55 to 60 miles per hour. (Exhibit 4, at page 1).

The estimated daily vehicular traffic at the Biddle Road crossing is 274 vehicles per day. (PUCO's RRIS Record ID: 427, regarding Biddle Road crossing, at page 3) ("Exhibit 5", copy attached); (U.S. DOT-Crossing Inventory Information, regarding Biddle Road crossing, at page 2) ("Exhibit 6," copy attached). The PUCO estimates that 18 trains pass through the Biddle Road crossing on a daily basis. (Exhibit 3, at page 5). The FRA reported that there were 17 daily train movements though this crossing. (Exhibit 6, at page 1). The typical train speed range over the crossing is 55 to 60 miles per hour. (Exhibit 6, at page 1).

The estimated daily vehicular traffic at the Route 61 crossing is between 6623 and 6700 vehicles per day. (PUCO's RRIS Record ID: 427, regarding Route 61 crossing, at page 3) ("Exhibit 7", copy attached); (U.S. DOT-Crossing Inventory Information, regarding Route 61 crossing, at page 2) ("Exhibit 8," copy attached). The PUCO estimates that 18 trains pass through the Route 61 crossing on a daily basis. (Exhibit 7, at page 3). The FRA reported that there were 17 daily train movements though this crossing. (Exhibit 8, at page 1). The typical train speed range over the crossing is 55 to 60 miles per hour. (Exhibit 8, at page 1).

3. The daily increase in vehicular traffic at alternate crossings resulting from the proposed closure of the B-NW Road crossing

As referenced above, the reported daily vehicular traffic at the B-NW Road crossing is between 121 and 184 vehicles per day. It is presumed the impact of these additional vehicles would be shared by the three adjacent crossings.

4. The nature of the roadway at any alternate crossings

The Keifer Road crossing is a wide open crossing, with excellent sight view in all directions, located on Keifer Road, which is a two-lane rural road. (Exhibit 3, at page 2). A single track crosses Keifer Road at an angle approaching 90°. This crossing is equipped with standard, government approved crossbucks. There are four photos of this crossing attached hereto. (Exhibit 3, at page 1).

The Biddle Road crossing is a wide open crossing with excellent sight view in all directions, located on Biddle Road, a two-lane rural road. (Exhibit 5, at page 2). Two tracks cross Biddle Road at an angle approaching 90°. It is equipped with flashing lights and gates, as well as a crossbuck. There are four photos of this crossing attached hereto. (Exhibit 5, at page 1).

The Route 61 crossing is a wide open crossing with excellent sight view in all directions, located on State Route 61, a two-lane state highway. (Exhibit 7, at page 2). Two tracks cross Route 61 at an angle between 30 and 59°. This crossing is equipped with flashing lights and gates, as well as a crossbuck. It is the most heavily travelled of all the crossings. There are six photos of this crossing attached hereto. (Exhibit 7, at page 1).

5. The total number of crossings within one linear mile of the B-NW Road crossing

B-NW Road crossing is located at milepost 82.75. (Exhibit 1, at page 2).

Biddle Road crossing is located at milepost 82.25, just a half mile northeast of the B-NW Road crossing. (Exhibit 5, at page 2).

Route 61 is located at milepost 81.6, 1.15 linear miles northeast of the B-NW Road crossing. (Exhibit 7, at page 2). Keifer Road crossing is located at milepost 83.95 (Exhibit 3, at page 2), 1.2 linear miles southwest of the B-NW railroad grade crossing.

6. The type of advance warning devices at any alternate crossings

The Keifer Road crossing has standard, government approved crossbucks.

The Biddle Road crossing has flashing lights and gates, as well as crossbucks.

The Route 61 crossing has flashing lights and gates, as well as crossbucks.

7. The sight distance at any alternate crossings, including any permanent obstruction affecting distance of view

Although there are no permanent obstructions to impair the sight view at the B-NW Road crossing, the angle of the road as it approaches the crossing from the east, as well as other factors, such as the distance between the tracks, strongly support closure. Please

reference the attached pictures which show the curve in the road as it approaches the crossing. (See Exhibits 9 and 10).

In comparison, the sight view at each of the adjacent crossings is wide open. Additionally, the impact of a site view obstruction, if any, is minimized by the presence of flashers and gates in place at two of these crossings.

8. The impact of closure on vehicular traffic, emergency vehicles, commercial enterprises, and any other factors pertinent to municipal corporations and other populated areas

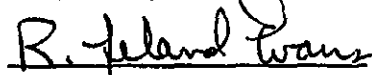
Upon information and belief, based on the nature and location of the crossing, closing this crossing will not have any significant impact on the operations of the local fire departments and EMS services. The crossing is located on B-NW Road which runs along the county line between Morrow and Crawford counties. Each side of B-NW Road is serviced by different fire, EMS, and sheriff's departments. Upon consultation with representatives of the Galion City School District, the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing is not used for the transportation of students.

CSXT is not aware of any other commercial enterprises or governmental entities that would be significantly impacted by the requested closure.

If requested, CSXT will provide testimony, for the record, which will further establish that the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing located in Washington Township, Morrow County, Ohio should be closed to all vehicular traffic pursuant to the applicable Ohio Revised Code provisions because there is no demonstrable need for this crossing to exist.

WHEREFORE, CSXT respectfully requests, based on the evidence presented herein, that the PUCO determine that the public will not be unreasonably inconvenienced if the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing, in Washington Township, Morrow County, Ohio is closed to all vehicular traffic, that there is not a demonstrable need for this crossing to exist, and that this railroad grade crossing should be closed. CSXT further requests that the PUCO exercise its authority under the Ohio Revised Code to order the necessary governmental body, or bodies, to effect the closing of the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing to all vehicular traffic, through passage of the appropriate ordinance or ordinances, and/or a city or county resolution. If the necessary governmental body, or bodies, fails to effect the closing of this railroad grade crossing to all vehicular traffic within the statutory thirty (30) day period of time, CSXT further requests the PUCO to exercise its authority under the Ohio Revised Code to petition the Court of Common Pleas for Morrow County, Ohio, to order the closure of the B-NW Road railroad grade crossing to all vehicular traffic.

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North Direction	East Direction
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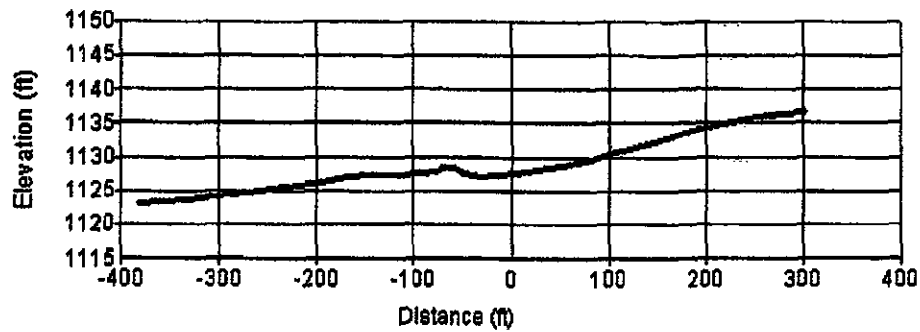
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Reason for Change:	Updated Record
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Railroad Information	
Operating RR:	CSX Transportation, Inc.
Division:	GREAT LAKES
Sub-Division:	MOUNT VICTORY
Branch/Line Name:	INDIANAPOLIS LN
Milepost:	82.75
Railroad ID:	QI
Nearest Time Table Station:	GALION
Parent RR Company:	CSX
Crossing Owner:	CSX
Location and Classification Information	
County:	MORROW
(Nearest) City:	GALION
Street:	BLOOMINGGROVE-NEW WINCHESTER RD
Highway and SLM:	CR8
High Speed Corridor:	
County Map Ref. Number:	17
ODOT NLF ID:	CMRWCR00008**C
Latitude:	40.7123194
Longitude:	-82.8282097
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Emergency Contact:	
Railroad Contact:	

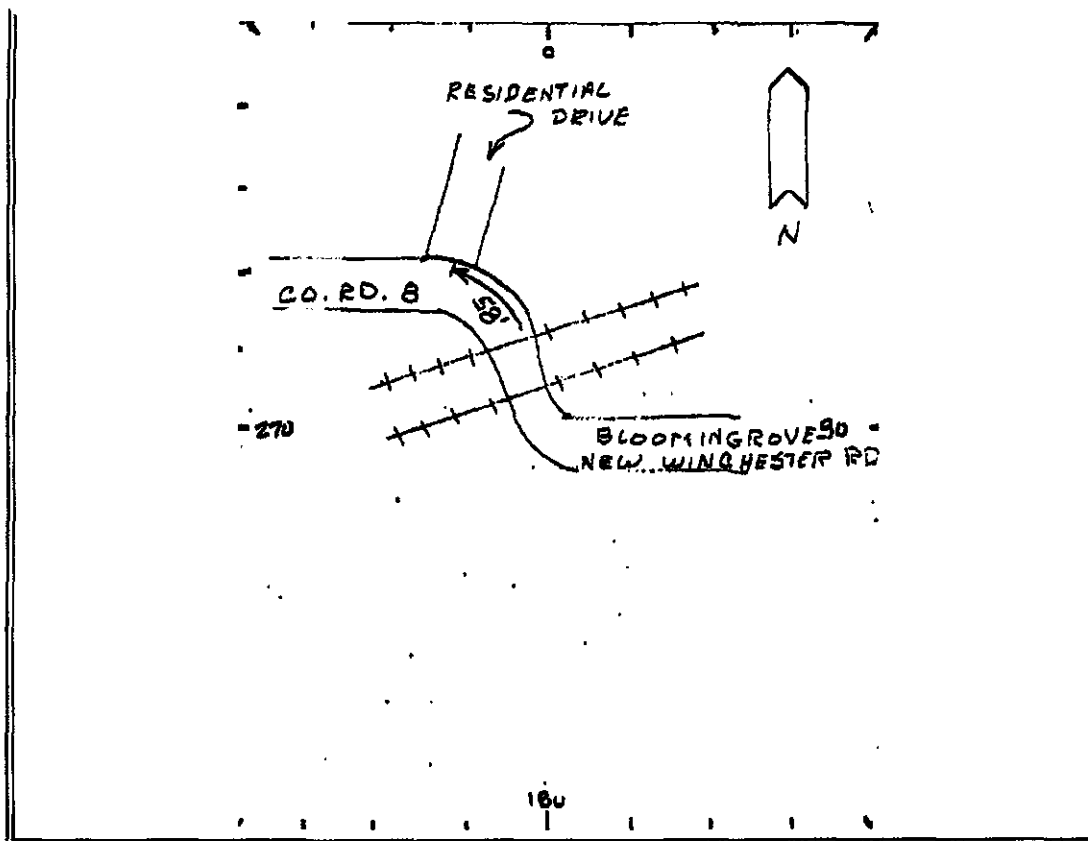
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LHA2:	
Dev. Type:	Open Space
Crossing Angle:	60-90 Degrees
Main Tracks:	2
Other Tracks:	0
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Warning Devices	
Crossbucks, Standard:	0
Crossbucks, Buckeye:	2
Lights, Mast Mounted:	0
Lights, Cantilevered:	0
Lights, Other:	0
Gates:	0
Traffic Information	
Day Thru Trains:	8
Day Switching Trains:	2
Night Thru Trains:	10
Night Switch Trains:	0
Date of Train Count:	Feb 13 2012 12:00AM
Highway AADT:	184
Date of AADT:	2010

Highway Information	
Distance to Nearest Intersection:	58
Type of Intersection:	Residential Drive
Number of HW-HW Intersections:	0

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EXHIBIT 2

Crossing No.: 202042J Update Reason: Changed Crossing Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13
 Railroad: CSX CSX Transportation [CSX] End-Date of Record:
 Initiating Agency Railroad Type and Position: Public At Grade

Part I Location and Classification of Crossing

Division:	GREAT LAKES	State:	OH
Subdivision:	MOUNT VICTORY	County:	MORROW
Branch or Line Name:		City:	Near GALION
Railroad Milepost:	0082.75	Street or Road Name:	BLOOMINGROVE-NEW
RailRoad I.D. No.:	QI	Highway Type & No.:	CR8
Nearest RR Timetable Stn:	GALION	HSR Corridor ID:	
Parent Railroad:	CSX Transportation [CSX]	County Map Ref. No.:	17
Crossing Owner:	CSX Transportation [CSX]	Latitude:	40.7123194
ENS Sign Installed:	Yes	Longitude:	-82.6282090
Passenger Service:		Lat/Long Source:	Actual
Avg Passenger Train Count:	0	Quiet Zone:	No
Adjacent Crossing with Separate Number:			

Private Crossing Information:

Category:	Specify Signs:	Public Access:	Specify Signals:
	ST/RR A ST/RR B ST/RR C ST/RR D		
Railroad Use:			
State Use:			
Narrative:			

Emergency Contact: (800)232-0144 Railroad Contact: State Contact: (614)466-0407

Part II Railroad Information

Number of Daily Train Movements:	Less Than One Movement Per Day:	No
Total Trains: 17 Total Switching: 0	Day Thru:	8
Typical Speed Range Over Crossing: From 55 to 60 mph	Maximum Time Table Speed:	60
Type and Number of Tracks: Main: 2 Other 0	Specify:	
Does Another RR Operate a Separate Track at Crossing?	No	
Does Another RR Operate Over Your Track at Crossing?	No	

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Crossing 262042J

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Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13

End-Date of Record:

Part III: Traffic Control Device Information

Signs:

Crossbucks: 2
Advanced Warning: Yes
Pavement Markings: No Markings

Highway Stop Signs: 0
Hump Crossing Sign:
Other Signs: 0 Specify:
0

Train Activated Devices:

Gates: 0
Mast Mounted FL: 0
Cantilevered FL (Over): 0
Other Flashing Lights: 0
Highway Traffic Signals: 0
Other Train Activated
Warning Devices:
Channelization:
Track Equipped with
Train Signals? Yes

4 Quad or Full Barrier:
Total Number FL Pairs: 0
Cantilevered FL (Not over): 0
Specify Other Flashing Lights:
Wigwags: 0 Bells: 0
Special Warning Devices Not
Train Activated:
Type of Train Detection: None
Traffic Light
Interconnection/Presentation:

Part IV: Physical Characteristics

Type of Development: Open Space
Number of Traffic Lanes
Crossing Railroad: 2
Is Highway Paved? Yes
Crossing Surface: Timber
Nearby Intersecting
Highway? N/A
Does Track Run Down a
Street? No
Is Commercial Power Available? No

Smallest Crossing Angle: 60 to 90 Degrees
Are Truck Pullout Lanes Present? No
If Other:
Is it Signalized?
Is Crossing Illuminated?

Part V: Highway Information

Highway System: Non-Federal-aid
Is Crossing on State
Highway System: No
Annual Average Daily
Traffic (AADT): 000121
Estimated Percent Trucks: 05
Posted Highway Speed: 0

Functional Classification of
Road at Crossing: Rural Local
AADT Year: 2005
Avg. No of School Buses per Day: 2



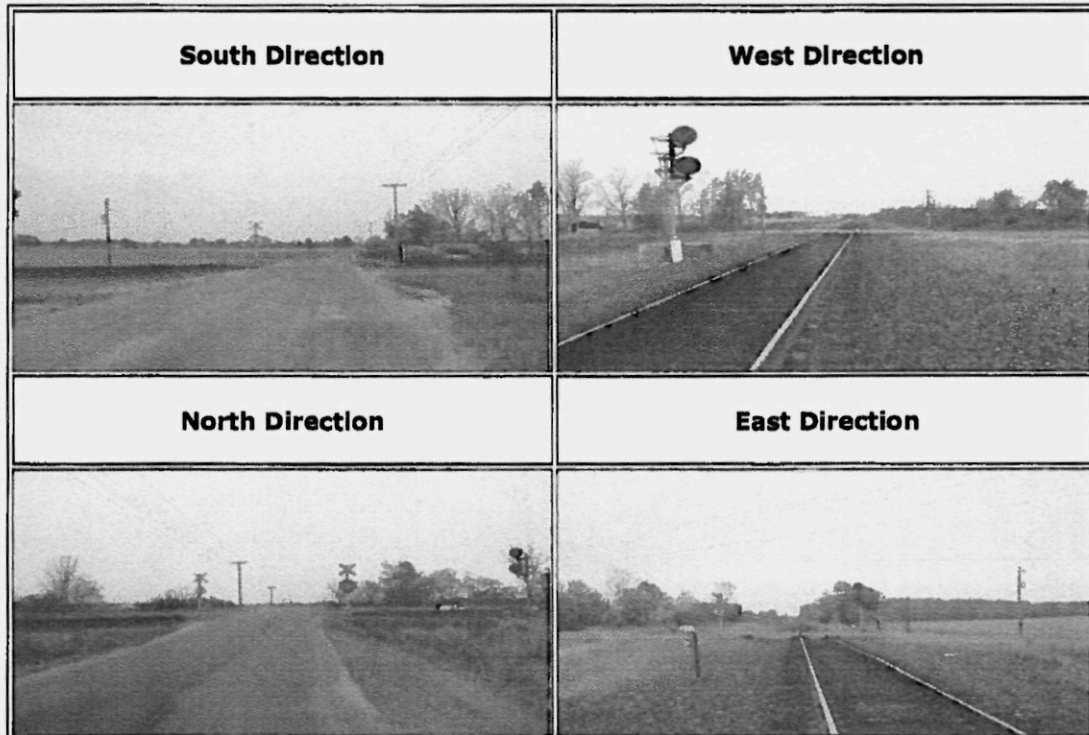
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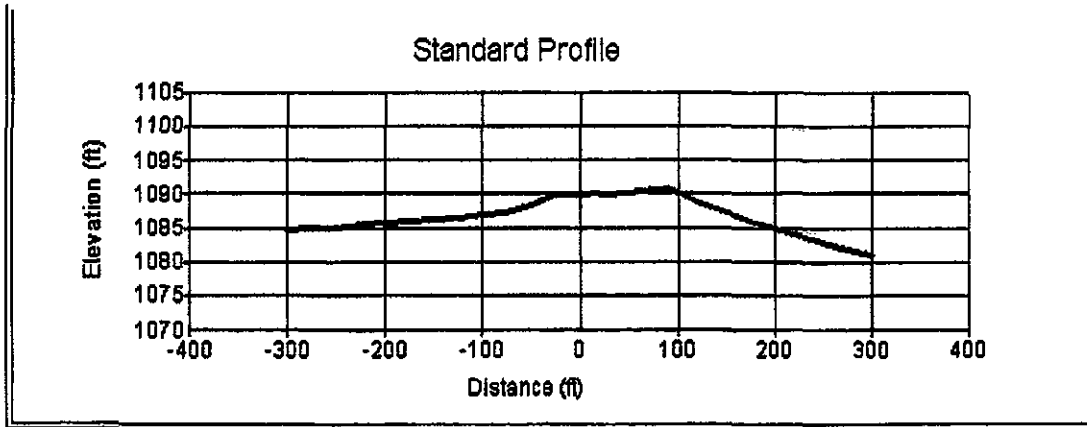
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Division:	GREAT LAKES
Sub-Division:	MOUNT VICTORY
Branch/Line Name:	
Milepost:	83.95
Railroad ID:	QI
Nearest Time Table Station:	
Parent RR Company:	CSX
Crossing Owner:	CSX
Location and Classification Information	
County:	MORROW
(Nearest) City:	GALION
Street:	KEIFFER RD
Highway and SLM:	TR32
High Speed Corridor:	
County Map Ref. Number:	59
ODOT NLF ID:	TMRWTR00032**C
Latitude:	40.7025915
Longitude:	-82.8492605
Elevation (ft):	1089.8354
Crossing Type:	Public
Position:	At-Grade
Emergency Contact:	
Railroad Contact:	
State Contact:	
LHA:	WASHINGTON TWP
LHA2:	
Dev. Type:	Open Space
Crossing Angle:	60-90 Degrees
Main Tracks:	1
Other Tracks:	0

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Warning Devices	
Crossbucks, Standard:	2
Crossbucks, Buckeye:	0
Lights, Mast Mounted:	0
Lights, Cantilevered:	0
Lights, Other:	0
Gates:	0
Traffic Information	
Day Thru Trains:	9
Day Switching Trains:	0
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Date of Train Count:	Aug 15 2010 12:00AM
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Date of AADT:	2010

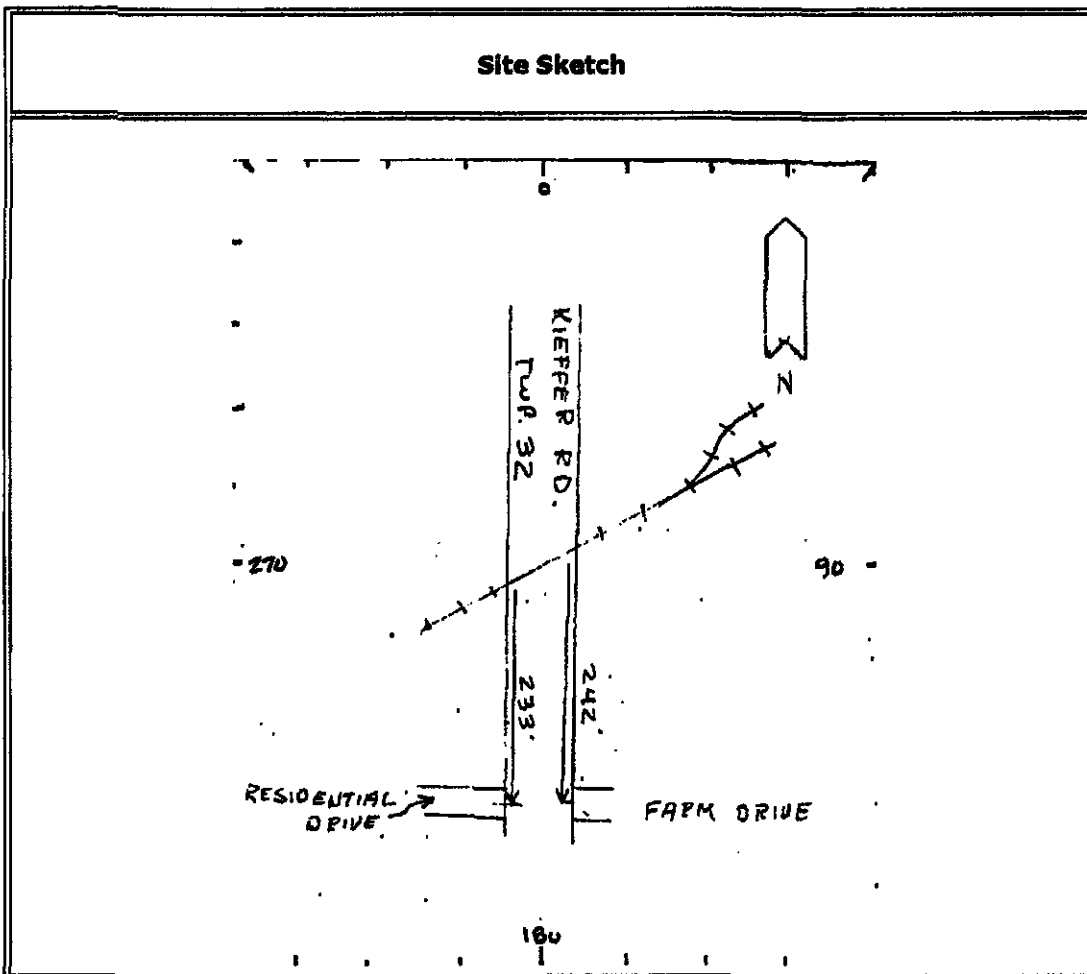
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Distance to Nearest Intersection:	233
Type of Intersection:	Residential Drive
Number of HW-HW Intersections:	0

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EXHIBIT 4

Crossing No.: 292043R Update Reason: Changed Crossing Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13
 Railroad: CSX CSX Transportation [CSX] End-Date of Record:
 Initiating Agency Railroad Type and Position: Public At Grade

Part I Location and Classification of Crossing

Division:	GREAT LAKES	State:	OH
Subdivision:	MOUNT VICTORY	County:	MORROW
Branch or Line Name:		City:	Near GALION
Railroad Milepost:	0083.95	Street or Road Name:	KEIFFER RD
RailRoad I.D. No.:	QI	Highway Type & No.:	TR32
Nearest RR Timetable Str:	MARTEL	HSR Corridor ID:	
Parent Railroad:	CSX Transportation [CSX]	County Map Ref. No.:	59
Crossing Owner:	CSX Transportation [CSX]	Latitude:	40.7025915
ENS Sign Installed:	Yes	Longitude:	-82.8492800
Passenger Service:		Lat/Long Source:	Actual
Avg Passenger Train Count:	0	Quiet Zone:	No
Adjacent Crossing with Separate Number:	No		

Private Crossing Information:

Category:	Public Access:	Unknown
Specify Signs:	Specify Signals:	

ST/RR A	ST/RR B	ST/RR C	ST/RR D
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Railroad Use:

State Use:

Narrative:

Emergency Contact:	(800)232-0144	Railroad Contact:	(904)359-1048	State Contact:	(814)468-0407
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Part II Railroad Information

Number of Daily Train Movements:	Less Than One Movement Per Day:	No
Total Trains: 17 Total Switching: 0	Day Thru:	8
Typical Speed Range Over Crossing: From 55 to 60 mph	Maximum Time Table Speed:	60
Type and Number of Tracks: Main: 1 Other: 0	Specify:	
Does Another RR Operate a Separate Track at Crossing?	No	
Does Another RR Operate Over Your Track at Crossing?	No	

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EXHIBIT 4

Crossing 282043R

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Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13

End-Date of Record:

Part III: Traffic Control Device Information

Signs:

Crossbucks: 2
 Advanced Warning: Yes
 Pavement Markings: No Markings

Highway Stop Signs: 0
 Hump Crossing Sign:
 Other Signs: 0 Specify:
 0

Train Activated Devices:

Gates: 0
 Mast Mounted FL: 0
 Cantilevered FL (Over): 0
 Other Flashing Lights: 0
 Highway Traffic Signals: 0
 Other Train Activated
 Warning Devices:
 Channelization: None
 Track Equipped with
 Train Signals? Yes

4 Quad or Full Barrier:
 Total Number FL Pairs: 0
 Cantilevered FL (Not over): 0
 Specify Other Flashing Lights:
 Wigwags: 0 Bells: 0
 Special Warning Devices Not
 Train Activated:
 Type of Train Detection: None
 Traffic Light
 Interconnection/Premnition:

Part IV: Physical Characteristics

Type of Development: Open Space
 Number of Traffic Lanes
 Crossing Railroad: 2
 Is Highway Paved? Yes
 Crossing Surface: Timber
 Nearby Intersecting
 Highway? N/A
 Does Track Run Down a
 Street? No
 Is Commercial Power Available? No

Smallest Crossing Angle: 80 to 90 Degrees
 Are Truck Pullout Lanes Present? No
 If Other:
 Is it Signalized?
 Is Crossing Illuminated?

Part V: Highway Information

Highway System: Non-Federal-aid
 Is Crossing on State
 Highway System: No
 Annual Average Daily
 Traffic (AADT): 000116
 Estimated Percent Trucks: 05
 Posted Highway Speed: 0

Functional Classification of
 Road at Crossing: Rural Local
 AADT Year: 2005
 Avg. No of School Buses per Day: 0



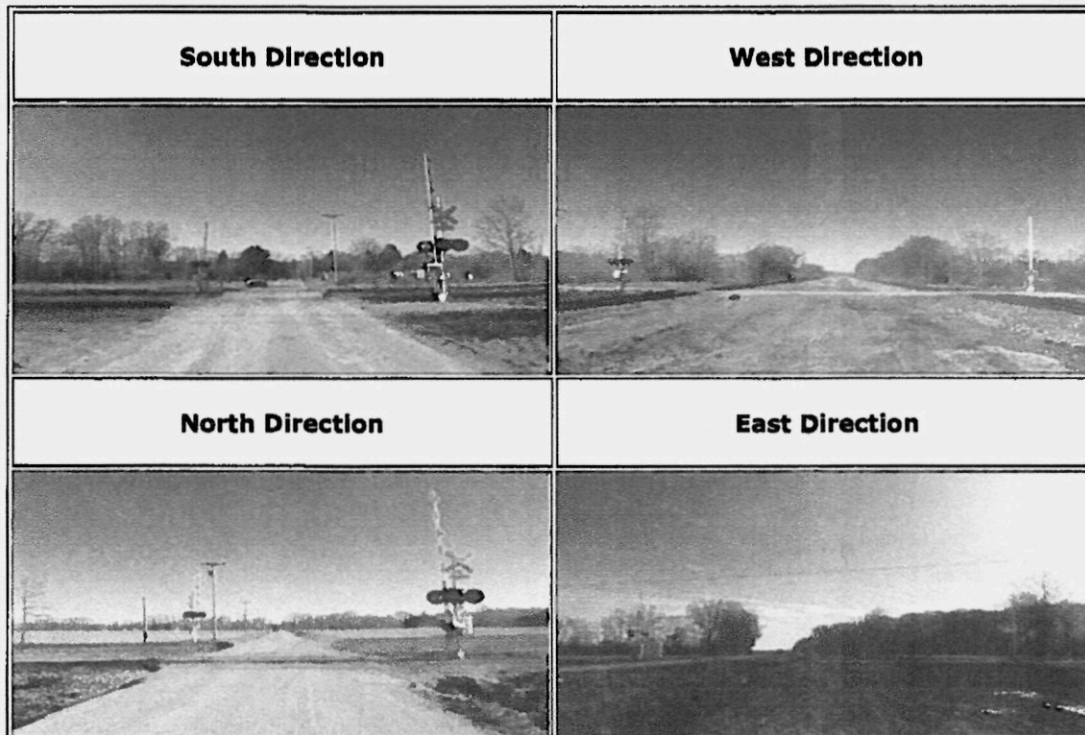
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Survey Site ID:	CRA116
Init. Agency for Change:	State
Reason for Change:	Updated Record
Effective Date:	Aug 4 2011 12:00AM

Railroad Information	
Operating RR:	CSX Transportation, Inc.
Division:	GREAT LAKES
Sub-Division:	MOUNT VICTORY
Branch/Line Name:	
Milepost:	82.25
Railroad ID:	QI
Nearest Time Table Station:	GALION
Parent RR Company:	CSX
Crossing Owner:	CSX
Location and Classification Information	
County:	CRAWFORD
(Nearest) City:	GALION
Street:	BIDDLE RD
Highway and SLM:	TR44
High Speed Corridor:	
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Railroad Contact:	
State Contact:	
LHA:	POLK TWP
LHA2:	
Dev. Type:	Open Space
Crossing Angle:	60-90 Degrees
Main Tracks:	2
Other Tracks:	0

2	
Warning Devices	
Crossbucks, Standard:	2
Crossbucks, Buckeye:	0
Lights, Mast Mounted:	2
Lights, Cantilevered:	0
Lights, Other:	0
Gates:	2
Traffic Information	
Day Thru Trains:	9
Day Switching Trains:	0
Night Thru Trains:	9
Night Switch Trains:	0
Date of Train Count:	Aug 15 2010 12:00AM
Highway AADT:	274
Date of AADT:	2006

Highway Information	
Distance to Nearest Intersection:	500
Type of Intersection:	Unknown
Number of HW-HW Intersections:	0

Site Comments
No comments.

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**U.S. DOT - CROSSING INVENTORY INFORMATION
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EXHIBIT 6

Crossing No.: 262041C	Update Reason: Changed Crossing	Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13
Railroad: CSX CSX Transportation [CSX]		End-Date of Record:
Initiating Agency Railroad	Type and Position: Public At Grade	

Part I Location and Classification of Crossing

Division:	GREAT LAKES	State:	OH
Subdivision:	MOUNT VICTORY	County:	CRAWFORD
Branch or Line Name:		City:	Near GALION
Railroad Milepost:	0052.25	Street or Road Name:	BIDDLE RD
RailRoad I.D. No.:	QI	Highway Type & No.:	TR44
Nearest RR Timetable Stn:	GALION	HSR Corridor ID:	
Parent Railroad:		County Map Ref. No.:	17
Crossing Owner:		Latitude:	40.7150411
ENS Sign Installed:	Yes	Longitude:	-82.8204777
Passenger Service:		Lat/Long Source:	
Avg Passenger Train Count:	0	Quiet Zone:	No
Adjacent Crossing with Separate Number:			

Private Crossing Information:

Category:

Specify Signs:

Public Access:

Specify Signals:

ST/RR A

ST/RR B

ST/RR C

ST/RR D

Railroad Use:

State Use:

Narrative:

Emergency Contact: (800)232-0144

Railroad Contact:

State Contact:

(614)466-0407

Part II Railroad Information

Number of Daily Train Movements:		Less Than One Movement Per Day:	No
Total Trains: 17	Total Switching: 0	Day Thru:	8
Typical Speed Range Over Crossing: From 55 to 60 mph		Maximum Time Table Speed:	60
Type and Number of Tracks: Main: 2 Other: 0		Specify:	
Does Another RR Operate a Separate Track at Crossing?	Yes: PC		
Does Another RR Operate Over Your Track at Crossing?	Yes: PC		

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EXHIBIT 6

Crossing 262041C

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Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13

End-Date of Record:

Part III: Traffic Control Device Information

Signs:

Crossbucks: 2
 Advanced Warning: No
 Pavement Markings: No Markings

Highway Stop Signs: 0
 Hump Crossing Sign:
 Other Signs: 0 Specify:
 0

Train Activated Devices:

Gates: 0
 Mast Mounted FL: 0
 Cantilevered FL (Over): 0
 Other Flashing Lights: 0
 Highway Traffic Signals: 0
 Other Train Activated
 Warning Devices:
 Channelization:
 Track Equipped with
 Train Signals? Yes

4 Quad or Full Barrier:
 Total Number FL Pairs: 0
 Cantilevered FL (Not over): 0
 Specify Other Flashing Lights:
 Wigwags: 0 Bells: 0
 Special Warning Devices Not
 Train Activated:
 Type of Train Detection: DC/AFO
 Traffic Light
 Interconnection/Preamption:

Part IV: Physical Characteristics

Type of Development: Open Space
 Number of Traffic Lanes
 Crossing Railroad: 2
 Is Highway Paved? No
 Crossing Surface: Asphalt and Flange
 Nearby Intersecting
 Highway? N/A
 Does Track Run Down a
 Street? No
 Is Commercial Power Available? Yes

Smallest Crossing Angle: 60 to 90 Degrees
 Are Truck Pullout Lanes Present? No
 If Other:
 Is it Signalized?
 Is Crossing Illuminated?

Part V: Highway Information

Highway System: Non-Federal-aid
 Is Crossing on State
 Highway System: No
 Annual Average Daily
 Traffic (AADT): 000274
 Estimated Percent Trucks: 05
 Posted Highway Speed: 0

Functional Classification of
 Road at Crossing: Rural Local
 AADT Year: 2008
 Avg. No of School Buses per Day: 3



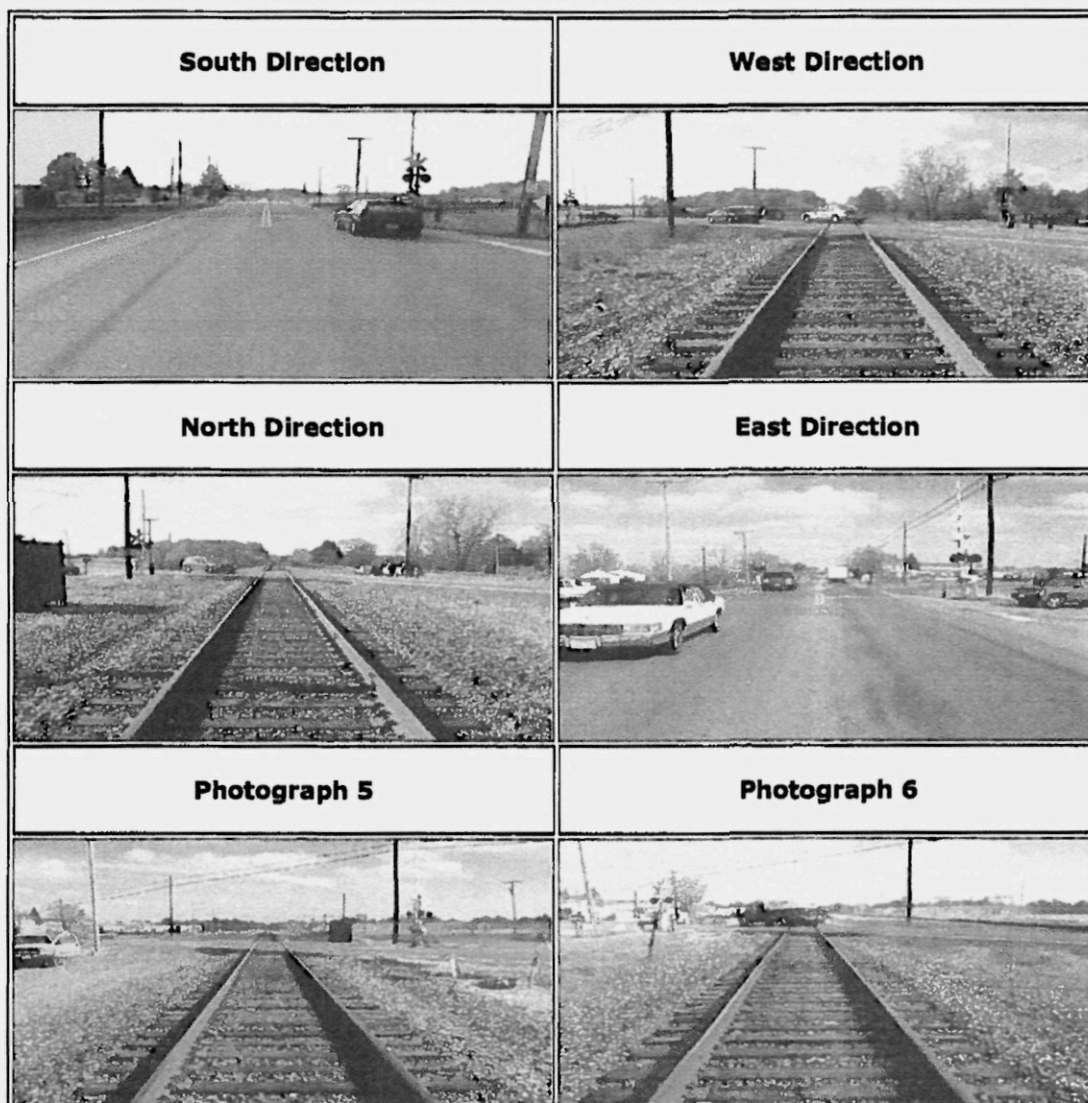
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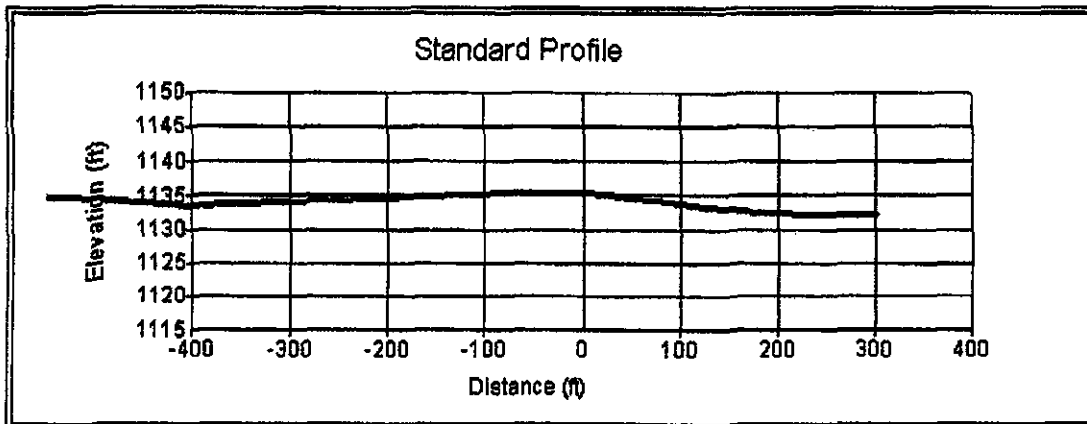
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Railroad Information	
Operating RR:	CSX Transportation, Inc.
Division:	GREAT LAKES
Sub-Division:	MOUNT VICTORY
Branch/Line Name:	ML CLEV-INDPL
Milepost:	81.6
Railroad ID:	QI
Nearest Time Table Station:	GALION
Parent RR Company:	CSX
Crossing Owner:	CSX
Location and Classification Information	
County:	CRAWFORD
(Nearest) City:	GALION
Street:	PORTLAND WAY S
Highway and SLM:	SR61-0.55
High Speed Corridor:	
County Map Ref. Number:	17
ODOT NLF ID:	SCRASR00061**C
Latitude:	40.7198922
Longitude:	-82.8093348
Elevation (ft):	1135.3993
Crossing Type:	Public
Position:	At-Grade
Emergency Contact:	
Railroad Contact:	

State Contact:	
LHA:	STATE
LHA2:	
Dev. Type:	Residential
Crossing Angle:	30-59 Degrees
Main Tracks:	2
Other Tracks:	0
Lanes:	2
Warning Devices	
Crossbucks, Standard:	2
Crossbucks, Buckeye:	0
Lights, Mast Mounted:	2
Lights, Cantilevered:	0
Lights, Other:	0
Gates:	2
Traffic Information	
Day Thru Trains:	10
Day Switching Trains:	0
Night Thru Trains:	8
Night Switch Trains:	0
Date of Train Count:	Aug 15 2010 12:00AM
Highway AADT:	6700
Date of AADT:	2010
Highway Information	
Distance to Nearest Intersection:	80
Type of Intersection:	Highway
Number of HW-HW Intersections:	2

Highway 1:		Highway 2:	
Traffic Light:	NO	Traffic Light:	NO
Flashing Light:	NO	Flashing Light:	NO
Stop Sign:	YES	Stop Sign:	YES
Yield Sign:	NO	Yield Sign:	NO
Distance from Tie to Center of Intersection:	80	Distance from Tie to Center of Intersection:	100
DO NOT STOP ON TRACK(S) Sign:	NO	DO NOT STOP ON TRACK(S) Sign:	NO

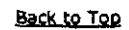
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U.S. DOT - CROSSING INVENTORY INFORMATION
AS OF 3/4/2014

EXHIBIT 8

Crossing No.: 262040V Update Reason: Changed Crossing Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13
 Railroad: CSX CSX Transportation [CSX] End-Date of Record:
 Initiating Agency Railroad Type and Position: Public At Grade

Part I Location and Classification of Crossing

Division:	GREAT LAKES	State:	OH
Subdivision:	MOUNT VICTORY	County:	CRAWFORD
Branch or Line Name:		City:	Near GALION
Railroad Milepost:	0081.60	Street or Road Name:	PORTLAND WAY S
RailRoad I.D. No.:	QI	Highway Type & No.:	SR61-0.
Nearest RR Timetable Sin:	GALION	HSR Corridor ID:	
Parent Railroad:		County Map Ref. No.:	17
Crossing Owner:	CSX Transportation [CSX]	Latitude:	40.7198822
ENS Sign Installed:		Longitude:	-82.6083348
Passenger Service:		Lat/Long Source:	
Avg Passenger Train Count:	0	Quiet Zone:	No
Adjacent Crossing with Separate Number:			

Private Crossing Information:

Category:

Specify Signs:

Public Access:

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ST/RR A

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Railroad Use:

State Use:

Narrative:

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Total Trains:	17	Day Thru:	8
Total Switching:	0	Maximum Time Table Speed:	60
Typical Speed Range Over Crossing: From	55 to 60 mph	Specify:	
Type and Number of Tracks: Main:	2		
Other	0		
Does Another RR Operate a Separate Track at Crossing?	No		
Does Another RR Operate Over Your Track at Crossing?	Yes: PC		

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EXHIBIT 8

Crossing 282040V

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Effective Begin-Date of Record: 01/01/13

End-Date of Record:

Part III: Traffic Control Device Information

Signs:

Crossbucks:	0	Highway Stop Signs:	0
Advanced Warning:	Yes	Hump Crossing Sign:	
Pavement Markings:	Stop Lines and RR Xing Symbols	Other Signs:	0 Specify: 0

Train Activated Devices:

Gates:	2	4 Quad or Full Barrier:	
Mast Mounted FL:	2	Total Number FL Pairs:	0
Cantilevered FL (Over):	0	Cantilevered FL (Not over):	0
Other Flashing Lights:	0	Specify Other Flashing Lights:	
Highway Traffic Signals:	0	Wigwags:	0 Bells: 2
Other Train Activated Warning Devices:		Special Warning Devices Not Train Activated:	
Channelization:		Type of Train Detection:	DC/AFO
Track Equipped with Train Signals?	Yes	Traffic Light Interconnection/Precemption:	

Part IV: Physical Characteristics

Type of Development:	Residential	Smallest Crossing Angle:	30 to 59 Degrees
Number of Traffic Lanes Crossing Railroad:	2	Are Truck Pullout Lanes Present?	No
Is Highway Paved?	Yes	If Other:	
Crossing Surface:	Asphalt	Is it Signalized?	
Nearby intersecting Highway?	Less than 75 feet	Is Crossing Illuminated?	
Does Track Run Down a Street?	No		
Is Commercial Power Available? Yes			

Part V: Highway Information

Highway System:	Other National Highway	Functional Classification of Road at Crossing:	Urban Other Principal
Is Crossing on State Highway System:	Yes		
Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT):	006623	AADT Year:	2006
Estimated Percent Trucks:	08	Avg. No of School Buses per Day:	3
Posted Highway Speed:	0		

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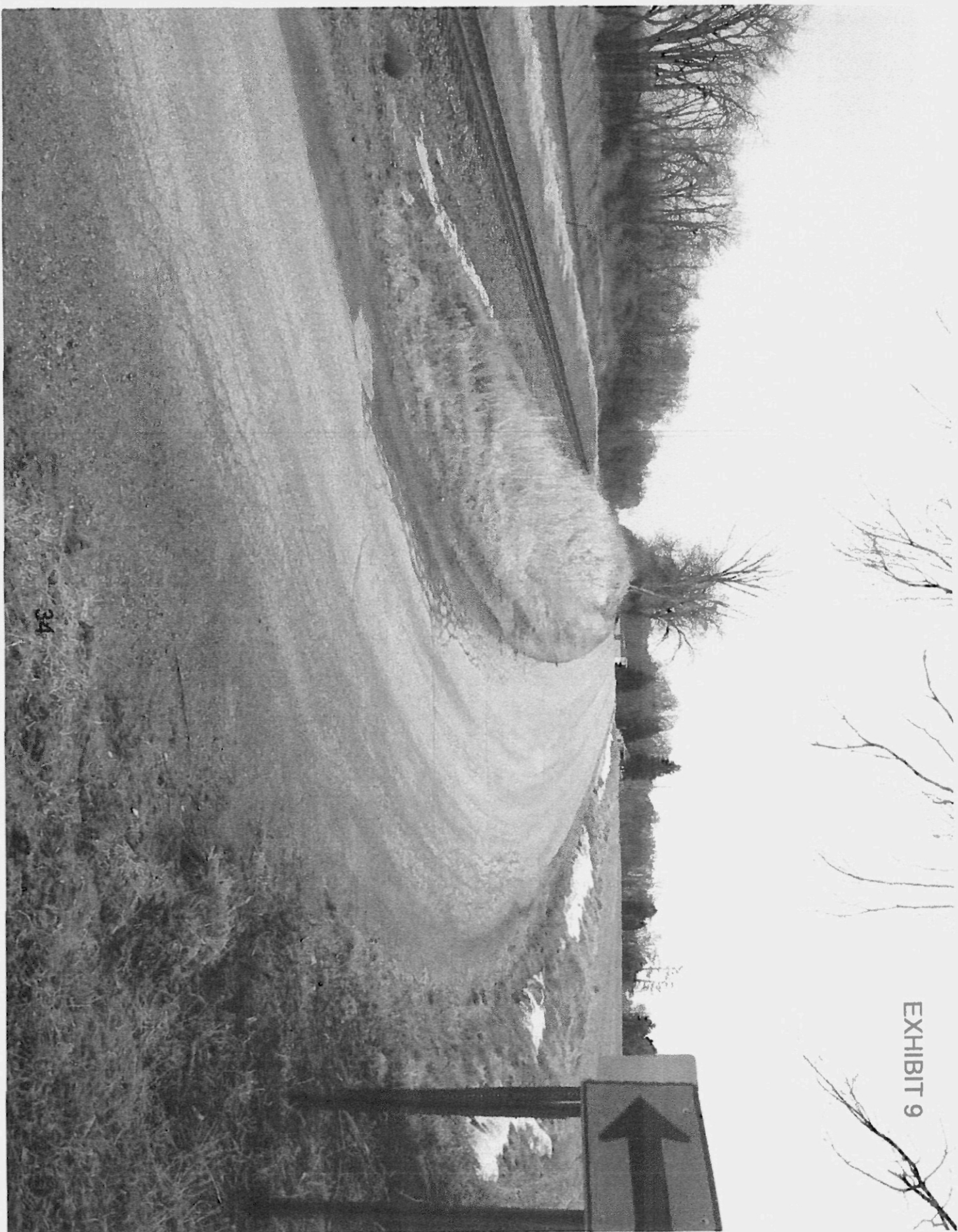


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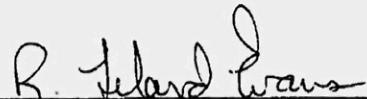
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true copy of the foregoing *Petition For Closure* was served by mailing same, regular U.S. mail, postage prepaid, this 7th day of March, 2014 upon the following:

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