



January 21, 2013

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Town Clerk
Town of Stony Point
74 East Main Street
Stony Point, NY 10980

**Subject: Joint Application for Permit (USACE NAN-2013-00022-EYA)
CSX Transportation, Inc., Haverstraw Track Upgrade Project
Mileposts QR 35.7 to QR 36.47 and QR 37.77
Town of Stony Point, Rockland County**

Dear Ms. Skinner:

As recommended by the New York State Department of State (NYSDOS), Division of Coastal Resources, please find enclosed for your information a copy of the "New York State / U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Joint Application for Permit" (JA) filed with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), NYSDOS, and New York State Office of General Services (NYSOGS) for the proposed CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) Haverstraw Track Upgrade Project: Mileposts QR 35.7 to QR 36.47 and QR 37.77 (the Project) in the town of Stony Point, Rockland County, New York.

CSXT proposes to upgrade portions of its River Line rail corridor along an approximately 0.65-mile long segment located in Stony Point, Rockland County, New York, between approximate railroad mileposts (MP) QR 35.7 and 36.35, replace a culvert at MP QR 36.47 and modify a box culvert bridge at MP QR 37.77 (see JA Attachment 2, Figure 1). Specifically, CSXT proposes to install a second mainline track along a 3,400-foot long section of its existing right-of-way (ROW), construct a universal crossover (UXO), install retaining walls along the second mainline track, and replace and modify existing culverts. To the extent practicable, work would be conducted within the existing previously disturbed ROW (existing ballasted track and access road); however temporary construction related impacts to adjacent properties will occur at locations along the ROW, including for equipment laydown and staging areas to be used during construction of the Project (see JA Attachment 2, Section 2.5).

As the portion of the CSXT rail line along which the work is proposed lies within the New York State Coastal Zone, a Federal Consistency Assessment Form (FCAF) and consistency analysis has been prepared and is included in the application package. As noted above, a copy of the complete application, including the FCAF and consistency analysis has been filed with the NYSDOS for federal coastal consistency review. The consistency analysis includes a review of the Project relative to the policies of the New York State Coastal Management Program and the Town of Stony Point Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP). CSXT anticipates that

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the NYSDOS will contact the Town of Stony Point regarding their review relative to the policies of the town's LWRP.

The Project would improve the railroad's fluidity and capacity and improve connectivity with United States and world manufacturing, distribution, and consumptive centers along CSXT's River Line, which is part of a primary rail route for freight traffic on the east coast between New York City and Albany. A second track was historically located in the Project area; therefore the Project is restoring a level of service previously provided along this corridor.

Please forward this application to the appropriate department(s), board(s) and/or individual(s) responsible for coastal consistency review within the Town. Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed materials, please do not hesitate to contact me at (978) 392-5322; sam.farnsworth@amec.com or Mr. Keith Brinker (904) 359-2228; keith.brinker@csx.com.

Respectfully,
AMEC Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sam Farnsworth", written in a cursive style.

Sam Farnsworth
Project Manager

Enclosures: NYSDEC/USACE Joint Application for Permit

cc: K. Brinker, CSXT