



St. Clair and Randolph Counties
Red Bud
Kaskaskia Regional Port District Expansion

DCEO-HD230131, MARAD
SHPO Log #007081823; SHPO Log #038092123; SHPO Log #018110823

April 9, 2024

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Thank you for requesting comments from our office concerning the possible effects of the project referenced above on cultural resources. Our comments are required by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 USC 470), as amended, and its implementing regulations, 36 CFR 800: Protection of Historic Properties.

Our staff have reviewed the information submitted and have made the following determinations for activities under DCEO project HD230131.

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Project 1 - Construct a rail yard- 5.6-mile rail corridor, from Lenzberg, IL to Pete Junk Road in New Athens (St. Clair County)

Project 2- Install 2 sets of RR crossing w/signals, gates at Baldwin Road and Winter Road in St. Clair County,

SHPO Log 018110823

Project 3, 4 and 5; - Land Purchase; Area is bounded on the east by Pete Junk Road, the west by the Kaskaskia River, the north by Pike Sawmill Road, and the south by Wildy Road in New Athens (St. Clair County)

Project 6- Construction of a Second Entrance Rd at (West)/IL Route 154 which will serve KPRD #2 terminal to reduce traffic congestion

Project 7- purchase of 8 rail cars

Project 13- Replace Public street, along Broad Street from Walnut Street to Maple Street in Evansville

Project 15- Construct a Grade control structure on the bank of the Kaskaskia River to control erosion and reduce sediment into the river

Project 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12- Land Purchase; Area is bounded on the west by Griggs Road, the north by Berry Road, the east by the Kaskaskia River and the south by White Swan Lane in Randolph County,

Project 14- safety upgrades to PMC, upgrades to dock and boat slip at 201 Water Street in Evansville, IL, Evansville,

KRPD Rail Crossings at Baldwin and Winter Road (project 2). No historic, architectural or archaeological sites are known to exist within the project area. The two rail crossings may be replaced as proposed.

KRPD #2 Second Entrance Road and Laydown Yards (project 6). No historic, architectural or archaeological sites are known to

exist within the project area. A previously known archaeological site (11RI482) was determined ineligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and was destroyed during the facility construction. The second entrance and laydown yards may be constructed as proposed.

Broad Street from Maple to Walnut (project 13). The property located at 705 Maple Street (NW corner of Maple and Broad Streets) in Evansville, Illinois is eligible for listing on the NRHP. No historic archaeological properties are known to exist within the project area. According to the information that you have provided, the proposed will not adversely effect the eligible historic property, the two block section of Broad Street may be replaced as proposed.

Erosion control structure on IDNR land (project 15). No historic, architectural or archaeological sites are known to exist within the project area. The erosion control structure maybe rebuilt as proposed.

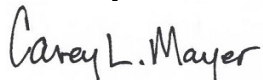
Only the undertakings listed above (SHPO Log #038092123) are approved. If the project's scope of work changes from that which has been submitted to and approved by this office, you must email those changes to Jeff Kruchten (Jeff.Kruchten@Illinois.gov) for review and comment. Failure to submit project changes for review and comment may result in an adverse effect determination pursuant to the Act. If any archaeological materials are encountered during construction, this office must be notified. This letter is not a clearance for purposes of the [Illinois Human Remains Protection Act](#) (20 ILCS 3440).

Please note, KRPD#1 Phase 2 Rail Yard and Corridor Improvements (projects 3, 4, 5) was reviewed under SHPO Log #018110823. A Phase 1 archaeological reconnaissance survey to locate, identify, and record all archaeological resources within the Phase 2 Rail Yard project area (west of Pete Junk Rd. to Loop Track) will be required (see attached letter for SHPO Log #018110823). No historic, architectural or archaeological sites are known to exist within the Rail Corridor Improvement area, thus, the rehabilitation of the existing rail corridor may proceed as proposed.

A list of archaeological contracting services, maintained as a courtesy, is available on our [website](#). A copy of our letter for SHPO Log #018110823 (attached) should be provided to the selected professional archaeological contractor to ensure that the survey results are connected to your project.

If you have further questions, please contact Jeff Kruchten, Principal Archaeologist, at 217/785-1279 or jeff.kruchten@illinois.gov.

Sincerely,



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Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

c: Dana Edwards, Illinois Dept. of Commerce & Economic Opportunity

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