

IV. Conclusion

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act,³⁹ that the proposed rule change (SR-PEARL-2018-02), be and hereby is approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.⁴⁰

Eduardo A. Aleman,
Assistant Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Small Business Administration.

ACTION: 30-Day notice.

SUMMARY: The Small Business Administration (SBA) is publishing this notice to comply with requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), which requires agencies to submit proposed reporting and recordkeeping requirements to OMB for review and approval, and to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** notifying the public of that submission.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 18, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Comments should refer to the information collection by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: *Agency Clearance Officer*, Curtis Rich, Small Business Administration, 409 3rd Street SW, 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20416; and *SBA Desk Officer*, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Curtis Rich, Agency Clearance Officer, (202) 205-7030 curtis.rich@sba.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: SBA is required to survey affected disaster areas, within a state upon request by the Governor of that state to determine if there is sufficient damage to warrant a Disaster Declaration. Information is obtained from individuals, businesses, and public officials.

Solicitation of Public Comments

Comments may be submitted on (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the agency to properly perform its functions; (b) whether the burden estimates are accurate; (c) whether there are ways to minimize the

burden, including through the use of automated techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) whether there are ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information.

Copies: A copy of the Form OMB 83-1, supporting statement, and other documents submitted to OMB for review may be obtained from the Agency Clearance Officer.

Summary of Information Collections

Title: Disaster Survey Worksheet.

Description of Respondents: Affected Disaster Areas.

Form Number: SBA Form 987.

Estimated Annual Respondents: 2,760.

Estimated Annual Responses: 2,760.

Estimated Annual Hour Burden: 229.

Curtis Rich,

Management Analyst.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. AB 1253]

State of South Dakota Acting by and Through its Department of Transportation—Adverse Discontinuance of Operating Authority—Napa-Platte Regional Railroad Authority

On March 29, 2018, the State of South Dakota acting by and through its Department of Transportation (the State) filed an application under 49 U.S.C. 10903 requesting that the Surface Transportation Board (the Board) authorize the third-party, or “adverse,” discontinuance of the operating authority of Napa-Platte Regional Railroad Authority (NPRRA)¹ over approximately 13.4 miles of rail line extending from milepost (MP) 0.0, referred to as Napa Junction, in South Dakota, to MP 13.4+/- near Tabor, S.D. (the Napa-Tabor Line). The Napa-Tabor Line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Codes 57078 and 57063.²

According to the State, the Napa-Tabor Line is part of a longer line that runs from MP 0.0 to MP 83.3 near Platte, S.D. (the Napa-Platte Line). The State explains that the Napa-Platte Line was authorized for abandonment in 1980 but, prior to being abandoned, was acquired by the State. *See Ogilvie—*

¹ According to the State, NPRRA is a political subdivision of the State of South Dakota and is a non-operating common carrier railroad.

² In a letter filed April 11, 2018, the State informed the Board that United States Postal Service Zip Code 57058 had inadvertently been included in its verified notice.

Aban.—in S.D., Iowa, & Neb., AB 7 (Sub-No. 88) (ICC served May 14, 1980); *see also Napa-Platte Reg'l R.R. Auth.—Modified Rail Certificate*, FD 35026, slip op. at 1-2 (STB served June 14, 2007). The State further explains that, in 2007, NPRRA obtained Board authority to lease and operate the Napa-Tabor Line. *See Napa-Platte Reg'l R.R. Auth.—Lease & Operation Exemption—Dakota Short Line Corp.*, FD 35025 (STB served May 31, 2007). According to the State, NPRRA's last lease from the State expired on September 20, 2015. The State claims that neither NPRRA nor any other rail carrier provided common carrier service over the Napa-Tabor Line between 2007 and September 20, 2015. The State further claims that, beginning September 21, 2015, the State has leased the Napa-Tabor Line and a connecting line segment to the Dakota Southern Railway Company (DSRC). *See Dakota S. Ry.—Notice of Modified Certificate of Pub. Convenience & Necessity—Yankton, Bon Homme, & Charles Mix Cts., S.D.*, FD 36086 (STB served Jan. 25, 2017). According to the State, following the termination of NPRRA's lease, the State requested that NPRRA seek a voluntary termination of its lease and operating authority over the Napa-Tabor Line, but NPRRA has not done so. The State now seeks Board authority through an adverse discontinuance proceeding to terminate NPRRA's regulatory authority to lease and operate the Napa-Tabor Line. The State asserts that NPRRA does not oppose the State's application for adverse discontinuance.

In a decision served in this proceeding on May 31, 2017, the State was granted exemptions from several statutory provisions as well as waivers of certain Board regulations that were not relevant to its adverse discontinuance application or that sought information not available to the State.

According to the State, the Napa-Tabor Line does not contain federally granted rights-of-way. Any documentation in the State's possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it. The State's entire case-in-chief for adverse abandonment and discontinuance was filed with the application.

Any interested person may file written comments concerning the proposed adverse discontinuance or protests (including protestant's entire opposition case) by May 14, 2018. Persons who may oppose the proposed adverse discontinuance but who do not wish to participate fully in the process by submitting verified statements of witnesses containing detailed evidence should file comments. Persons opposing

³⁹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

⁴⁰ 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

the proposed adverse discontinuance who wish to participate actively and fully in the process should file a protest, observing the filing, service, and content requirements of 49 CFR 1152.25. The State's reply is due by May 29, 2018.

All filings in response to this notice must refer to Docket No. AB 1253 and must be sent to: (1) Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001; and (2) John H. LeSeur, Slover & Loftus LLP, 1224 Seventeenth Street NW, Washington, DC 20036.

Filings may be submitted either via the Board's e-filing format or in the traditional paper format. Any person using e-filing should comply with the instructions found on the Board's "www.stb.gov" website, at the "E-FILING" link. Any person submitting a filing in the traditional paper format should send the original and 10 copies of the filing to the Board with a certificate of service. Except as otherwise set forth in 49 CFR 1152, every document filed with the Board must be served on all parties to this adverse discontinuance proceeding. 49 CFR 1104.12(a).

Persons seeking further information concerning discontinuance procedures may contact the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at (202) 245-0238 or refer to the full discontinuance regulations at 49 CFR 1152. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

Board decisions and notices are available on our website at "WWW.STB.GOV."

Decided: April 12, 2018.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.

Raina Contee,
Clearance Clerk.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

60-Day Notice of Intent To Seek Extension of Approval and Merger of Collections: Statutory Authority To Preserve Rail Service

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Surface Transportation Board (STB or Board) gives notice that it is requesting from the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) an extension of approval for the information collections. The Board is also seeking approval to merge into this collection (OMB Control Number: 2140-0022) the collection of information about notifications of Trails Act agreement and substitute sponsorship (OMB Control Number: 2140-0017).

DATES: Comments on this information collection should be submitted by June 18, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Chris Oehrle, PRA Officer, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20423-0001, or to PRA@stb.gov. When submitting comments, please refer to "Paperwork Reduction Act Comments, Statutory Authority to Preserve Rail Service."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding this collection, contact Michael Higgins, Deputy Director, Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at (202) 245-0284 or at michael.higgins@stb.gov. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board currently collects information from those seeking statutory authority to preserve rail carrier service under OMB Control Number 2140-0022. The authority under OMB Control Number 2140-0022 includes the collection of information under the Trails Act and its regulations, such as the notifications of Trails Act agreement and substitute sponsorship, which is also addressed under OMB Control Number 2140-0017. This request proposes to combine collections under Control Numbers 2140-0017 and 2140-0022, with 2140-0022 being the survivor. The Board will request to discontinue Control Number 2140-0017 upon OMB approval of the merger.

Comments are requested concerning: (1) The accuracy of the Board's burden estimates; (2) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; (3) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, when appropriate; and (4) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Board, including whether the collection has practical utility. Submitted comments will be summarized and included in the Board's request for OMB approval.

Description of Collection 1

Title: Statutory Authority to Preserve Rail Service.

OMB Control Number: 2140-0022.

STB Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension without change.

Respondents: Affected shippers, communities, or other interested persons seeking to preserve rail service over rail lines that are proposed or identified for abandonment, and railroads that are required to provide information to the offeror or applicant.

Number of Respondents: 40.

Frequency: On occasion.

TABLE—NUMBER OF YEARLY RESPONSES

Type of filing	Number of filings
Offer of Financial Assistance	1
OFA—Railroad Reply to Request for Information	1
OFA—Request To Set Terms and Conditions	1
Request for Public Use Condition	1
Feeder Line Application	5
Trail-Use Request	23
Trail-Use Request Extension	84

Total Burden Hours (annually including all respondents): 826 Hours (sum total of estimated hours per response × number of responses for each type of filing).

TABLE—ESTIMATED HOURS PER RESPONSE

Type of filing	Number of hours per response
Offer of Financial Assistance ...	32
OFA—Railroad Reply to Request for Information	10
OFA—Request To Set Terms and Conditions	4
Request for Public Use Condition	2
Feeder Line Application	70
Trail-Use Request	4
Trail-Use Request Extension	4

Total "Non-hour Burden" Cost: None identified. Filings may be submitted electronically to the Board.

Needs and Uses: Under the ICC Termination Act of 1995, Public Law 104-88, 109 Stat. 803 (1995), amended by the Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization Act of 2015, Public Law 114-110 (2015), and under Section 8(d) of the Trails Act, persons seeking to preserve rail service over a rail line that is in the process of being abandoned may file pleadings before the Board to