

## **Additional Issues**

#### Survey, Subdivision & Development Issues Affecting Surveyors

- Drainage (AREMA C-1) ...the value of railroad profile maps
- Railroad Industrial Development
  - Bad design in industrial parks/plats lead to future grief
  - Almost all the Class 1's have design specs/standards on the web (Shortlines may adopt Class 1 Standards as spin-offs)
- Fencing & gates (AREMA C-1) & Wisconsin State Statute 192.33
- Pipeline & wireline crossings (AREMA C-1, C-28, C-26)
- Bridge basics & abbreviations (AREMA C-18, C-4 and others)
- Cross section (cut & fill typical example)





# Lease & Contact (AREMA C-1)

- Control & Risk
- Railroad Specifications
- Easements run with the land/leases-contracts-permits **do not**! Railroads want accountability! (easements won't provide that)

Please beware of the trend by some railroad operating departments to delegate these duties to outside railroad contractors.(PSR IS CAUSING MORE OF THIS)

- BNSF uses JONES LANG LASALLE (JLL)/Bartlett & West/RailPros
- NS uses DMJM/Harris, AECOM, RailPros, UPRR using AECOM, RailPros
- WATCO uses IMGONLINE and others
- RAMS used by multiple shortlines

Contract documents & forms commonly now show up on the web. Lots of problems encountered with owner/developers waiting for the last minute to submit lease documents for approvals. Submit these documents as early and as complete as possible! Double-check the details.

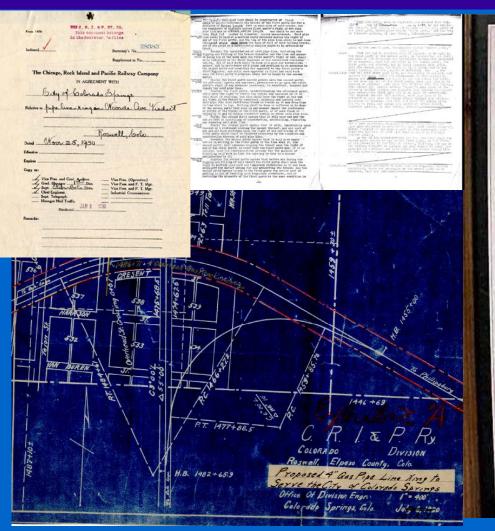


## RAILROAD CONTRACTS

- Almost all railroad lease & contract documents will **not** be found at the county clerk & recorder's office.
- The private surveyor's challenge is to find copies of these documents, usually from the land-owner.
- Most railroads will only release copies of their contract documents unless there is a request from the licensee. (Privacy and confidentiality issues) .... Those railroad contract numbers found in research are often "gold".
- Title lawyers and real estate people/ landmen are famous for overlooking having contracts assigned.



# PERMITTING (Jim Goff/ BNSF)







#### PERMITTING / LEASE/LICENSE/CONTRACT

#### MAJOR STUMBLING BLOCK FOR UTILITIES & PIPELINES

- INSURANCE FAILURES
- LAST MINUTE CHANGES
- FAILURE TO INCLUDE 45-90 DAY PROCESSING TIME
- RAILROADS ARE NOT GOING TO RUBBER STAMP THE PROCESS AT THE LAST MINUTE
- FAILURE TO HEED RAILROAD DESIGN STANDARDS
- CONTRACTORS ARE PART OF THE PROCESS
- EASEMENTS ARE HIGHLY UNLIKELY, YET PIPELINE AND OTHER UTILITIES CONTINUE TO ASK FOR THEM
- MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY FAILS (CHARTERS AND ORDINANCES MAY NOT APPLY TO RAILROAD R/W)



#### PLEASE REMEMBER

- (1) Right-of-Way on a railroad means "the property" (Easement, Fee, Ordinance, Charter, Grant, etc.)
- (2) CONTRACTS RUN WITH THE INDIVIDUAL, EASEMENTS RUN WITH THE LAND.



DO NOT CONFUSE EASEMENT WITH ANY OTHER COLOR OF TITLE

ON RAILROAD R/W. "EASEMENT" IS A HORRIBLY ABUSED TERM, ESPECIALLY BY TITLE ATTORNEYS, ENGINEERS AND LANDMEN (ALL SHOULD KNOW BETTER) IN TERMS OF GRANT R/W.



# Plainfield, IL 6-30-17 (CN-WC) NW Chicago Area



CN vs NICOR (20" Gas Line)

-unauthorized jack & bore

-40 car crude oil derailment



# **Survey Operations**

Topographic Mapping and Plan Sets to Communicate with Railroad Engineers

#### MODULE 11

- What the railroads want to see (simplicity, eliminate the clutter)
- Use graphical symbols railroads use in graphical presentations
- Level of detail



# **Field Surveying Operations**

#### Field Construction Layout Staking

#### MODULE 13

- Safety Considerations
- Intervals (especially curves (Tamper Points) and turnouts
- Gradelines and key points to identify
- Setting stakes a track foreman can identify and actually use
- AREMA C-24 and Practical Guide



## The Abandonment Issue and ICC/STB

#### Abandonment

#### MODULE 14

- Abandonment vs. Embargo vs. Out-of-service
- Who is the final arbiter?
- NITU/ Rails to Trails / Rail banking
- Adverse abandonment
- Abuses of the system that affect surveyors
- What happened between 1980 and 1983 with the ICC that affects railroad mapping data as sought by surveyors



## The Abandonment Issue

- Is it abandoned, embargoed or out of service?
- 49 USC 10903....Abandonment Regulations
- 49 USC 10502....Prior Approval Conditions For Abandonment
- National Trails Systems Act 16 USC 1247 (Rails to Trails)
- Principal of Adverse Abandonment (STB Creede & Yakima Valley cases)
- The ICC/STB Dockets For Abandonment (AB- & FD- Prefixes)
- 1996 to Present on-line, on the WEB www.stb.dot.gov
- 1975-1996 at the STB/ICC Library in Washington
- Pre-1975 (1873-1975) Filed At National Archives, Rockville MD
- PLSC and the Trinidad Railway Abandonment Case (AB-573 O X)



## THE POWER OF THE ICC/STB

- THE ABANDONMENT ISSUE
- POWER OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
- CONTROL OF ALL MERGERS, LINE SALES
- CONTROL OF LEASES, TRACKAGE RIGHTS

• ALSO CONTROL REGULATED WATER
TRANSPORTATION, INTERCITY BUS LINES AND
OTHER COMMON CARRIER TRANSPORTATION



#### FEDERAL REGULATION / PRE-EMPTION

#### The Cautiously Guarded Railroad Trump Card

- (b) The jurisdiction of the Board over--
- transportation by rail carriers, and the remedies provided in this part with respect to rates, classifications, rules (including car service, interchange, and other operating rules), practices, routes, services, and facilities of such carriers; and
- (2) the construction, acquisition, operation, abandonment, or discontinuance of spur, industrial, team, switching, or side tracks, or facilities, even if the tracks are located, or intended to be located, entirely in one State,

is exclusive. Except as otherwise provided in this part, the remedies provided under this part with respect to regulation of rail transportation are exclusive and preempt the remedies provided under Federal or State law.

#### 49 USC 10501

-in essence, no local or state law supersedes the authority of the Surface Transportation Board (formerly the Interstate Commerce Commission)

-Federal Rule



## STB/ICC TERMS TO RECKON WITH:

- ABANDONMENT (AB & FD Dockets)
- EMBARGO
- DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE
- NITU/RAILBANKING (Notice of Interim Trail Use)
- ADVERSE ABANDONMENT
- OFA/ OFFER FOR ASSISTANCE
- SDM/ System Diagram Map
- EP/ Ex Parte (Rulemaking/Review/Hearing process)
- DIRECTED SERVICE ORDER



## **Abandonments**

AB = Abandonment Docket (Post 1976)

FD = Finance Docket (Mergers, Sales, New

Construction, Abandonments (1887-1976)

NOR = Notice of Rulemaking/ Regulation

**EP=Ex Parte Hearing** 

SDM=System Diagram Map (identifies potential abandonment candidates, Classes 1-5)

OFA = Offer For Assistance



#### The ICC CARD INDEX SYSTEM 1887-1996

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## ASKING ABANDONMENT INFO FROM THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

AB 69 Sub 5F

10/15/80

Sec.1a 11279

7/15/36

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WESTERN MARYLAND RAILWAY COMPANY

APPLICATION FILED FOR AUTHORITY TO ABANDON ITS SAND RUN BRANCH, BETWEEN VALUATION STATION MINUS 1 & 11 (MILEPOST 0.00), AT OR NEAR WILLIAMS, AND VALUATION STATION 126&00(MILEPOST 2.41) NEAR PIERCE A DISTANCE OF 2.41 MILES IN TUCKER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

FD 28796

6/30/78

Sec. 1\*18)

WESTERN MARYLAND RAILWAY COMPANY, THE BALTI-MORE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY

Application filed for authority to extend their lines by the construction of approximatly 3,050 feet of connecting track at Mount Winans in the City of Baltimore, Md.

WESTERN MARYLAND RAILWAY COMPANY

App. of Western Maryland Railway Co. and Williamsport, Nessle and Martinsburg Railway Company, for authority to abandon the branch line which extends from a point of switch at Clariton, Washington County, Maryland to Snyder, Berkeley County West Virginia, a distance of 5.539 males, togethe with all side tracks appurtentant thereto aggregating 1.475 miles, Combines branch line and sidings to be abandoned, therefore 721 ICC 445 total 5.014

• Please, if at all possible, include the key elements of Railroad, State, County, Milepost, Timetable Stations and approximate date of abandonment.



## ICC/ STB ABANDONMENT PROCESS

#### FILING OF SDM/ SYSTEM DIAGRAM MAP

NO abandonment application can start until the SDM has been in place (posted) for 30 days and line has not seen any revenue service for 2 years. (49CFR1152(a)

The SDM will show the railroads abandonment plans for at least the next three years, and is color coded:

- RED, Class 1=To be abandoned within 3 years
- GREEN, Class 2= Potentially abandoned lines
- YELLOW, Class 3 = Abandonment already pending with STB (on file)
- BROWN, Class 4 = Being operated under Directed Service (Continuation)
- BLACK/DARK BLUE, Cls 5 = Carrier Owned, normal operation assumed.-
- Class 3 Lines (shortlines) can submit a written description instead of a map



# ICC/STB ABANDONMENT PROCESS (2)

## Filing the AB-Docket (FD-Docket prior to 1976)

- □ DAY "0" Abandonment Petition Filed With STB
- $\square$  Day 10 = Due date for oral hearing requests
- □ DAY 20 = STB Review of Initial Application Due, Federal Record published
- □ DAY 45 = Due date for protests & comments, NITU requests
- $\square$  DAY 110 = Due date for service of Decision on the merits
- $\square$  DAY 120 = Due Date for OFA's (or 10 days after granting application)
- □ STB Then follows evaluations and procedure set out by 49 CFR 1152 and 49USC10502



#### THE RAILS TO TRAILS NIGHTMARE

#### Abuse of the National Interim Trail Use (NITU) Process

☐ Know the NITU rules, hold trails people accountable, don't get buffaloed by those who want the benefits, but not the responsibility.
http://www.stb.dot.gov/stb/docs/Abandonments%20and%20Alternatives1.pdf
☐The horribly vague language of the 1976 bill.
☐Do not get left holding the liability so others can play.
☐ Challenge & Document trail rights at Day 1
□Phillips v. US Case (2009)
□Reference: National Trails System Act 16 USC 1247(d)
http://www.stb.dot.gov/stb/public/resources_railstrails.html
□49 CFR 1152.29



## PLEASE – ON YOUR PLATS (In The Notes)

- IF IT'S ABANDONED, <u>DOCUMENT</u> HOW IN THE NOTES (ie Prove it!)
- IF it's an operating railroad <u>DOCUMENT</u> IT (How)
  - Local GIS and Assessors get it wrong all the time, Title
     Companies frequently avoid working to get the answer.
- IF it's now a rail trail <u>DOCUMENT</u> IT! (NITU/CITU and the Abandonment and Finance Docket Number)
  - Rampant Fraud & False Claims Out There Compounded by administrative blunders by well intentioned local agencies with no clue about the ICC/STB rules.



## CITY AND COUNTY SURVEYORS

- DO YOU KNOW WHAT RAILROAD CONTRACTS LICENSE AGREEMENTS PERMITS ARE IN EFFECT IN YOUR JURISDICTION.
- GATHER THEM UP AND GET THEM IN ONE PLACE (INFORMATION THAT CAN SAVE \$\$\$)
- APPROACHING THE CLASS 1 SECRETARIES ...
- Why railroads do not want contracts recorded in the clerks office (those dirty easements again)
- STB/ICC ABANDONMENT DOCKETS & FILINGS



## SAD NOTE

- Closing of the STB Library in Washington DC
  - See EP-745 "Status of STB Library"

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 Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance (OPAGAC) to arrange access between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. OPAGAC can be reached at (202) 245-0238



# SAD NOTE #2

- Intermodal Institute / Denver University College of Law
  - STURM LIBRARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS



8 ½ Semi Trailers Full of Filings and ICC Decisions 1976 – 1996

Downsizing of ICC Agency



LOST!



## SAD NOTE #3

- BLM GIS SYSTEM (Conversion of MTP & HI Sheets)
  - Data integrity issues? (not all states the same now)
- Tract Books to be posted on LR-2000 System by 2025

- Wisconsin MTP's and HI's were created by BLM-Eastern States, but never put into circulation. BLM GIS System is supposed to correct this omission. Patents already posted.. (4<sup>th</sup>,5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> PMs)
- https://glorecords.blm.gov/default.aspx



# Relevant WISCONSIN & Regional Cases

- **FD-34893** Chicago, Lake Shore & South Bend RR (NS near Notre Dame University
- **AB-865 0 X** Honey Creek Railroad vs. Roberts Construction (Henry County, New Castle, IN...What happens when local opinion clashes with federal rule + NITU) **FD-34869**?
- **EP-647 0** Class Exemption for expedited abandonment procedure for Class II and Class III Railroads (Friction between ACSM and AAR)
- **AB-878 0** Adverse Discontinuance City of Peoria, IL (Peoria Heights Railroad) \* Discussion / Time permitting
- **FD-34783** Indiana Railroad Acquisition of CP-Soo Line Latta Subdivision (Milwaukee Road, CTH&SE Evansville Line, Fayette to Bedford + Trackage Rights
- FD- Iowa & Middletown Railroad (November 15, 2018 ... About to take over Iowa Ordinance Depot Delayed by Govt. Shutdown (STB closed))



## **Relevant STB / ICC Cases**

- **AB-55 579X** CSX Railroad, Abandonment in Parke & Vermilion Counties (OFA), former C&IW line over Wabash River...
- AB-556 2X Railroad Ventures Case (Youngstown, OH, Land swindle
- **FD-34527** Maumee & Western RR/RMW Ventures vs. CSX (rail crossing at Defiance, OH)..senior rights case
- AB-477-3 X Graysville & Poseyville Railroad (Owensville Terminal RR)...railbanked line comes back to life and out of the weeds (Gibson & Posey counties)
- **FD-34536** RailAmerica (Indiana & Ohio) Creation of Chicago Ft. Wayne & Eastern RR from CSX, former CR/PC/PRR main line
- **AB-55 631 X** Terminal Warehouse vs/ CSX (Cleveland, OH abandonment determination)



# Relevant STB / ICC Cases

- FD-33388 100 Conrail
   Division of Assets to NS
   & CSX (Conrail Breakup
   & Shared Assets)
- AB-448 2X SF&L
   Railway/ A&K Materials
   (Sale of west end of TP&W Railway, Scam & Abuse of STB
   Regulations by a salvage and real estate company abusing OFA rules)
- Enter Keokuk Junction
   Ry as new owner (OFA)





# Retracement Tips Abandoned R/W



- Scavenging and detective work pays big dividends
- Gather as many R/W maps as possible (bias)
- If you find standard plans: JACKPOT!
- Old photos, sketches, PUC/ RRC files, road viewer reports
- Know your local historians and their resources
- History and evidence have value
- WISCONSIN statutes /Railroad Commission archived files
- WISCONSIN State Archives
- WiDOT Freight RR Section

If the railroad was there in 1920 or later, there probably is a map to cover the line.





# Retracement Tips Abandoned R/W

- Locate old fixed objects on R/W
- R/W Posts
- Poleline cut-offs
- Bridge Piling Cutoffs (Match To Standard Plans)
- Old culverts and or headwalls
- Locate limits of cuts & fills, especially on long tangents
- Fixed ties with spike holes still present





# Retracement Tips Abandoned R/W



- Road crossings with ties, tie plates or rail abandoned in place
- Locate limits of ballast & split
- Signal foundations and or signal appliances
- Terrain analysis basics
- Dig for culverts and boxes with covered ends
- Closeout notes, bridge & building records, contracts



# Researchmanship

- MAPPING, RECORDS, STANDARDS AND CONTRACTS......
- ICC Federal Mandate, Tax Basis
- GLO/BLM Filing Maps
- R/W & Track Maps, Track Charts
- Additional RR Cadastral Mapping
- Land Schedules



# Researchmanship

- Track charts (schematics)
- Pipeline/water/wells/fueling facility diagrams and handwritten records
- Lease & Contract/ License Agreements
- Permits/ File Records Folders (UPRR)
- Location Engineer's Profile Maps
- Fence/Crossing/Sidetrack/ Clearance

# Researchmanship

- Bridge Records Elkins Act Contracts
- Building Records
- Closeouts (AFE's AFR's)
- Secretary's Office (deed & contract)
- STANDARD PLANS
- Chief Engineer's Standard Instructions
- AREMA MANUAL



## Railroad Measurement Science

#### **MODULE 20**

• Track geometry cars (49CFR213) (AREMA C-2)

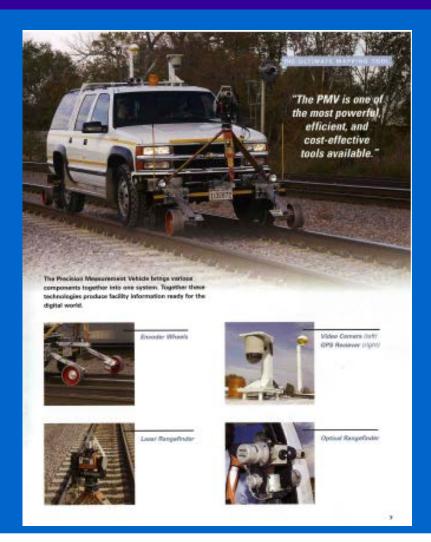


### Railroad Measurement Science

- Railroad GIS (AREMA C-16)... UP example "Do Maps"
- Track Charts (AREMA C-16)



# **GIS & The Railroad Industry**



in the following sections, absolute horizontal and vertical (elevation) accuracy results are presented for both real time acquisition using Nationwide Differential GPS (NDGPS) and post processed input using Continuous Operating Reference Stations (CORS).

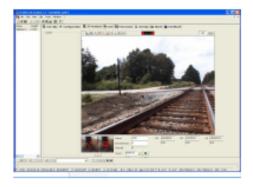


Figure 2: Data Extraction Interface

#### Horizontal Accuracy from Video Extraction

The statistics presented in the following table by survey day and correction type for all features mapped using the video extraction.

NOTE: A synchronization malfunction occurred for some of the video sequences for the NDGPS data August 30th. This resulted in large errors that alconed the horizontal results of the test. For analysis purposes the information presented for NDGPS00 includes removal of the culiers actuated from the video sequences (reducing the total number of samples from 174 to 95) as well as the actual results (noted in parentheses for NDGPS00).



# Contact Sheet(s)...Region-Specific

Railroad Name	FRA CLASS	AAR CLASS	MAPPING CONTACT	ENTRY CONTACT	COMPANY CODE	REMARKS:
CSX Transportation www.CSX.com  Business Headquarters Corporate Headquarters	1	1	http://www.csx.com/?fuse action=general.csxp_map request_ext	Shortcut: http://www.csx.com/?fus	CR(NYC)	CSX has an archivist/historian and maps for some of its abandoned R/W for B&O, C&O. Contact: Baltimore & Ohio RR Museum www.borail.org email: info@borail.org
500 Water Street, 15th Floor Jacksonville, FL 32202 904-359-3200					C&O,MON,L&N, CH&D,C&IW	901 W. Pratt Street, Baltimore MD21223 410-752-2490 David Shackelford, Ch Curator x-215 Also see: www.cohs.org (C&O)
CSX Transportation Inc. 500 Water Street Jacksonville, FL 32202 904-359-3100				http://www.csx.com/?fus eaction=general.csxp_fla g Property Services - Intercarrier Agreements Attn: Flagging Project CSX Transportation 500 Water Street		
EMERGENCY: 1-800-232-0144				Jacksonville, FL 32202 Phone: 904-633-3404 FAX 904-633-3460		
Norfolk Southern Corporation (NS) www.NScorp.com	1	1	Norfolk Southern		NS, N&W,SOU	http://realestate.nscorp.com/realestate/index
Three Commercial Place Norfolk, VA 23510-2191			Corporation Robert F. Davenport Jr.	om/realestate/ShowDoc/ english/realestate/pdf/rig	CR(PRR)	.jsp
757-629-2600			1200 Peachtree Street NE Building Box 142			NS has supported a growing Archive at Roanoke. VA
1200 Peachtree St. NW Atlanta, GA 30309			Atlanta, GA 30309-35797	Norfolk Southern Corporation	,	http://www.nwhs.org/
404-529-1734			Fax: (404) 529-1367	Real Estate Department Attn: Right of Entry		Absorbed Algiers, Winslow & Western (AWW)FD-34839
EMERGENCY: Police Communication Center: 800-453-2530			robert.davenport@nscorp. com			v = 0.000

Copy attached to your handout and also in your electronic files....



#### **Contact Sheet for Wisconsin RR's**

- List is current as of January 18, 2021 (About to change again!)
- NEW LIST AS OF 1/15/21 (PSR has forced Changes)
- Please plan to contacts railroads EARLY and OFTEN (60-90 days)....Latecomers expecting railroads and management companies to jump through hoops because of a lack of planning on the parts of surveyors, engineers and developers are doomed to fail! Tardiness is hardly an excuse. (Avoid a project killer!)
- Almost all companies listed are private.
- WSPS WELCOME TO POST ON WEBSITE
- Communication is good business & good policy.
- Beware of the EagleOne vetting issue (especially BNSF & UP)



# Reference Material & Where to Find Supporting Documents

- The Railroads (Current Data & CADD updates)
- The Courthouse (Amazing Stories of what is on hand without their knowledge!, *Careless* map storage)
- Wisconsin Office of State Railroad Commissioner
- Wisconsin DOT / Railroad Freight Section Rich Kezior)
  - https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/doing-bus/freight/rail.aspx
     (State owned lines mostly)
- Wisconsin State Archives Madison
- NARA ....National Archives & Records Administration Rockville, MD RIP-91 Copies to be reprinted 2/22?... (Author David Pfieffer / NARA Retired)
   Also be aware of RIP-114 (GLO/Patents) and RIP-116
  - (Railroad Cartographic Maps other than Valuation Maps)
- Mid Continent Railway Historical Society North Freedom, WI http://www.midcontinent.org Don Ginter
- Union Pacific Historical Archives & Museum at Council Bluffs, IA (Union Pacific Collection here!)
- The Class 1's (BNSF, CP, CN-IC, UP) –Beware the EagleOne Resources issue currently in play. (sadly making life difficult for surveyors gathering evidence)

#### THE EAGLE ONE RESOURCES SCAM

# WHAT BNSF AND UP WILL ASK AS PART OF THE VETTING PROCESS

BECAUSE OF THE INTERFERENCE, MONKEY-WRENCHING, NUISANCE LAWSUITS, ETC.

THE RAILROADS ARE NOW DOUBLE CHECKING ALL OUTSIDE REQUESTS FOR MAPS AND RELATED DATA, PLUS THE LICENSE/CONTRACT APPROVAL AND PROCESSING SYSTEM HAS BECOME "BY-THE-BOOK" AND LESS FORGIVING IN SPECIAL CASES.

(THE RAILROAD'S STAFF AND CONTRACTORS HAVE LESS ROOM FOR VARIANCES, ESPECIALLY WITH REGARDS TO JUDGEMENT CALLS / PRACTICAL RELIEF)



# THE EAGLEONE RESOURCES SCAM

#### UPRR VETTING PROCESS (BNSF SIMILAR)

- 1. A description of what you are requesting and what you will be using the mapping for.
- City, state (not just county name) of the area being requested.
- 3. At or between any mile posts you may know.
- 4. The railroad subdivision name if you have it.
- 5. Street names that encompass the area you're requesting.
- A Google map (not an aerial or an Assessor's map or abstract or a link of any kind, nor a Tobin map) of the area, which includes street names, which are legible. Google is the only acceptable map.
- 7. The original railroad company name, before it was sold, abandoned, retired, etc.
- Township, range, and section(s), if you know it. \*\*\*\*\*Not applicable for state of Texas. For Texas: please include the survey name and abstract number.
- 9. \*Your company name, address, city, state, zip code, phone number, and your email address.
- 10. Name of UPRR contact, if working on this particular project with UPRR.
- 11. Name of Government agency, if working on project with one (not as a subcontractor).



#### Websites

- www.AREMA.org (American Railway Engineering & Maintenance Association; successor to AREA)
- www.ipogo.net/spiral.html (10-Chord Spiral help, "Spirals for Dummies")
- www.archives.gov (National Archives, NARA-Rockville, MD)
- www.rrb.gov/cov\_index2.html (Index to active railroads, RRB lists)
- www.aar.com/ertc/index.htm (AAR Emergency Response Training Center at Pueblo Test Track..."Rattlesnake Junction Training Facility"
- www.contractororientation.com 49CFR214 awareness trainer for BNSF, Union Pacific and others, need certification for R/O/E
- www.wyoarchives.state.wy.us (Wyoming State Archives)
- **upmuseum@up.com** (UPRR Museum/ Durham Collection-Council Bluffs IA...Curator Don Snoddy ....Uncle Pete's attic!)
- More websites linked to your state contact sheet, railroad & museum specific



#### Websites To Be Aware Of:

- www.aar.org (Association of American Railroads)
- www.bnsf.com (BNSF Railroad, links to JLL/B&W & Map Requests)
- www.uprr.com/reus/ (Union Pacific Real Estate)
- www.omnitrax.com (Colorado Based shortline rr holding company)
- www.WATCO.com (owner of 48 shortline railroads\* and 2 in Australia)
- www.stb.dot.gov (Surface Transportation Board, successor to ICC)
- www.crrm.org (Colorado Railroad Museum Golden)
- www.caliper.com/maptitude/fra/init.asp (FRA Crossing Locator)
- http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/gmdhtml/rrhtml/rrhome.html (Library of Congress, links to old railroad route maps, historical documents)

\*Including Wisconsin & Southern

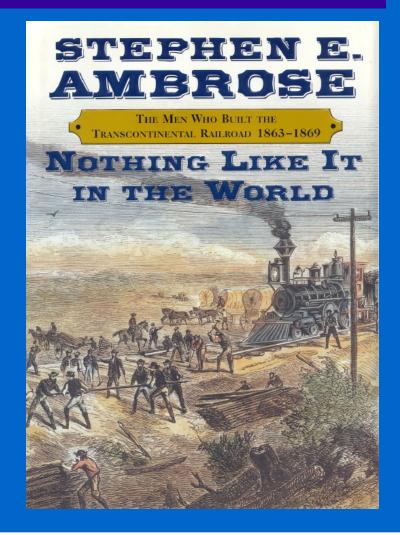


#### More Websites

- https://community.oli.org/state/wi#about / Wisconsin Operation Lifesaver (Gary Koerner – State Coordinator)
- www.AREMA.org American Railway Engineering & Maintenance Association (successor to AREA)
- www.ipogo.net/spiral.html (10-Chord Spiral help, "Spirals for Dummies") remember, right-of-way curves are simple/ chord curves
- www.archives.gov (National Archives, NARA-Rockville, MD)
- www.rrb.gov/cov\_index2.html (Index to active railroads, RRB lists)
- www.aar.com/ertc/index.htm (AAR Emergency Response Training Center at Pueblo Test Track..."Rattlesnake Junction Training Facility"
- www.contractororientation.com 49CFR214 awareness trainer for BNSF, Union Pacific and others, need certification for R/O/E
- https://www.mpl.org/archives/milwaukee\_road\_archives.php
- upmuseum@up.com (UPRR Museum/ Durham Collection-Council Bluffs IA...Curator : Patricia LaBounty ....Uncle Pete's attic!)
- <a href="https://www.cnwhs.org">https://www.cnwhs.org</a> CNW Historical Society (IL &IA Archives)

# Required Reading

- Steven Ambrose's "Nothing Like It In The World" (New York: Simon & Schuster; 2000)
- Edward Gillette's "Locating the <u>Iron Trail"</u> (Boston: The Christopher Publishing House; 1925)



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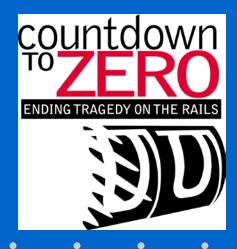
- In Wisconsin: https://community.oli.org/state/wi#about
- GARY KOERNER
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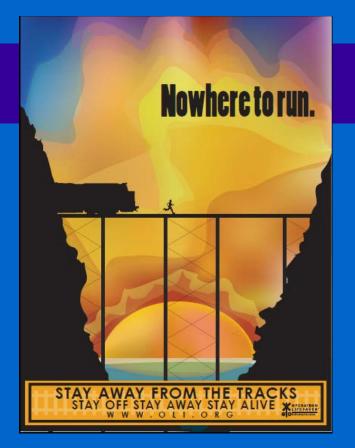






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After 20 years of presenting RRS-101, AREMA Committee 1 (Roadway) is preparing to hand this program off to a new generation of volunteers. We would be interested in hearing what the surveying community thinks is the topic that the profession would like to hear more about. A long planned for RRS-102 (practical application & case studies using the basic ideas presented here) is in the offing, building off of RRS-101 basics.



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