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## STB ISSUES FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR PROPOSED NEW RAIL LINE IN SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

The Surface Transportation Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) today issued a Final Environmental Assessment (Final EA) for the proposed construction and operation of approximately 5,000 feet of new rail line in Smithtown, New York by Townline Rail Terminal, LLC (Townline). The public comment period for the Draft EA ended on February 5, 2024.

The Final EA responds to comments on the Draft EA and sets forth OEA's final recommendations, including final recommended mitigation measures, to the Board. Issuance of the Final EA completes the Board's environmental review in this proceeding. Next, the Board will consider the transportation merits of Townline's proposal, and the entire environmental record, including the Draft EA, Final EA and all comments received as part of its final decision.

The Final EA in [Townline Rail Terminal, LLC–Construction and Operation Exemption–In Suffolk County, NY](#), Docket No. FD 36575, may be viewed and downloaded electronically from the following links: [Final EA](#), [Appendices](#).

Please note that the Final EA is a track change version of the Draft EA. Substantive additions and deletions to the text appear in blue and red.

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