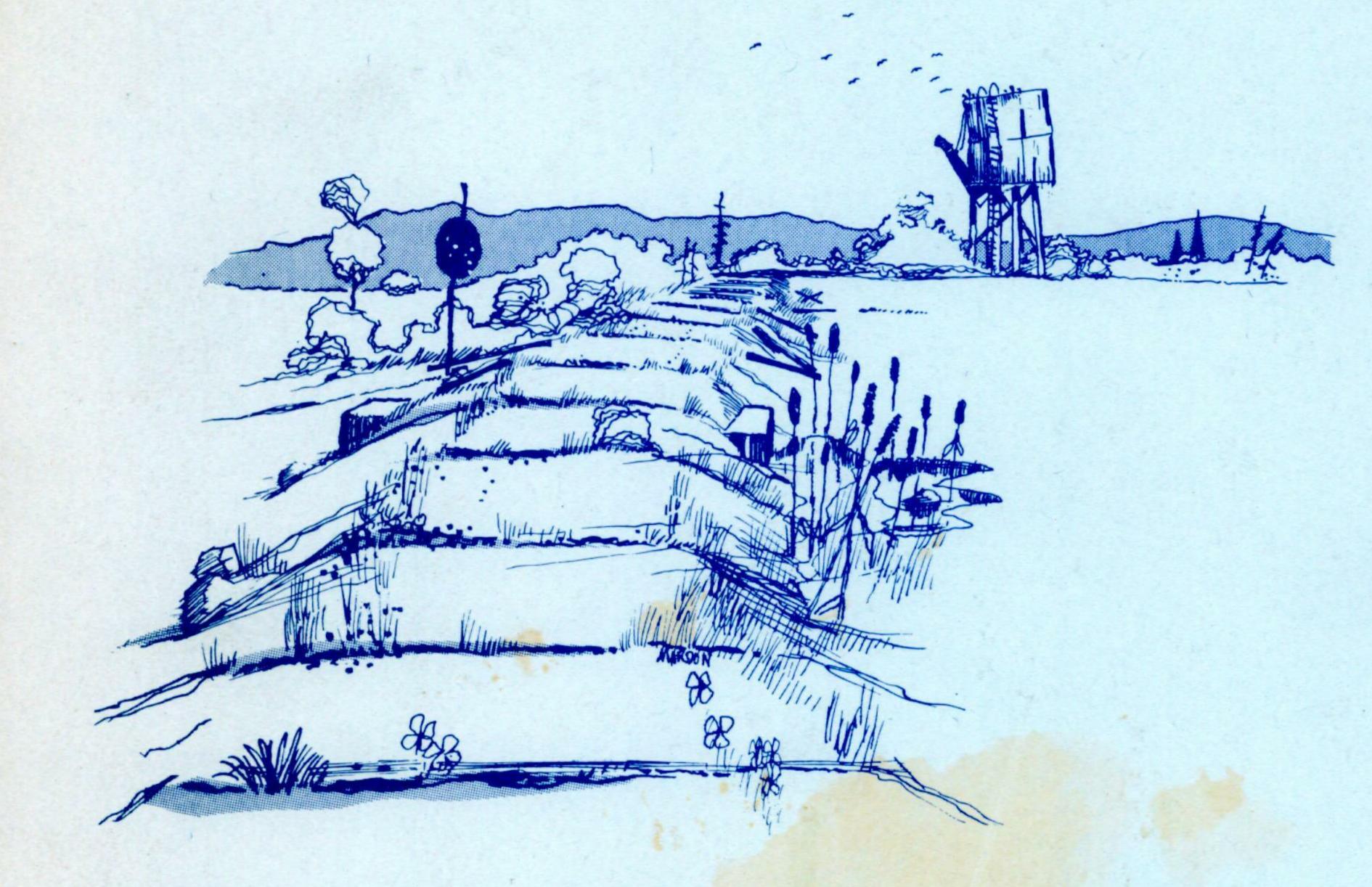
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GLOSSAPY

- BALLAST Crushed rock or gravel, used in railroad beds to provide ground stability for laying ties and tracks.
- BERM A longitudinal mound of earth used to deflect water; a narrow ledge or shelf.
- CULVERT Any structure not classified as a bridge which provides an opening under any roadway.
- PRISM As applied to canals, the entire area encompassing the sides which are parallelograms.
- TRESTLE A braced framework of timbers, piles or steelwork for carrying a railroad over a depression.

ABBREVIATIONS

R.R. - Railroad

Rte. or Rt. - Route

R.C.W. - Right of Way

E/S - East Side

W/S - West Side

B & M - Boston and Maine

D & H - Delaware and Hudson

P. C. - Penn Central

G. E. - General Electric Company

C. R. - County Road

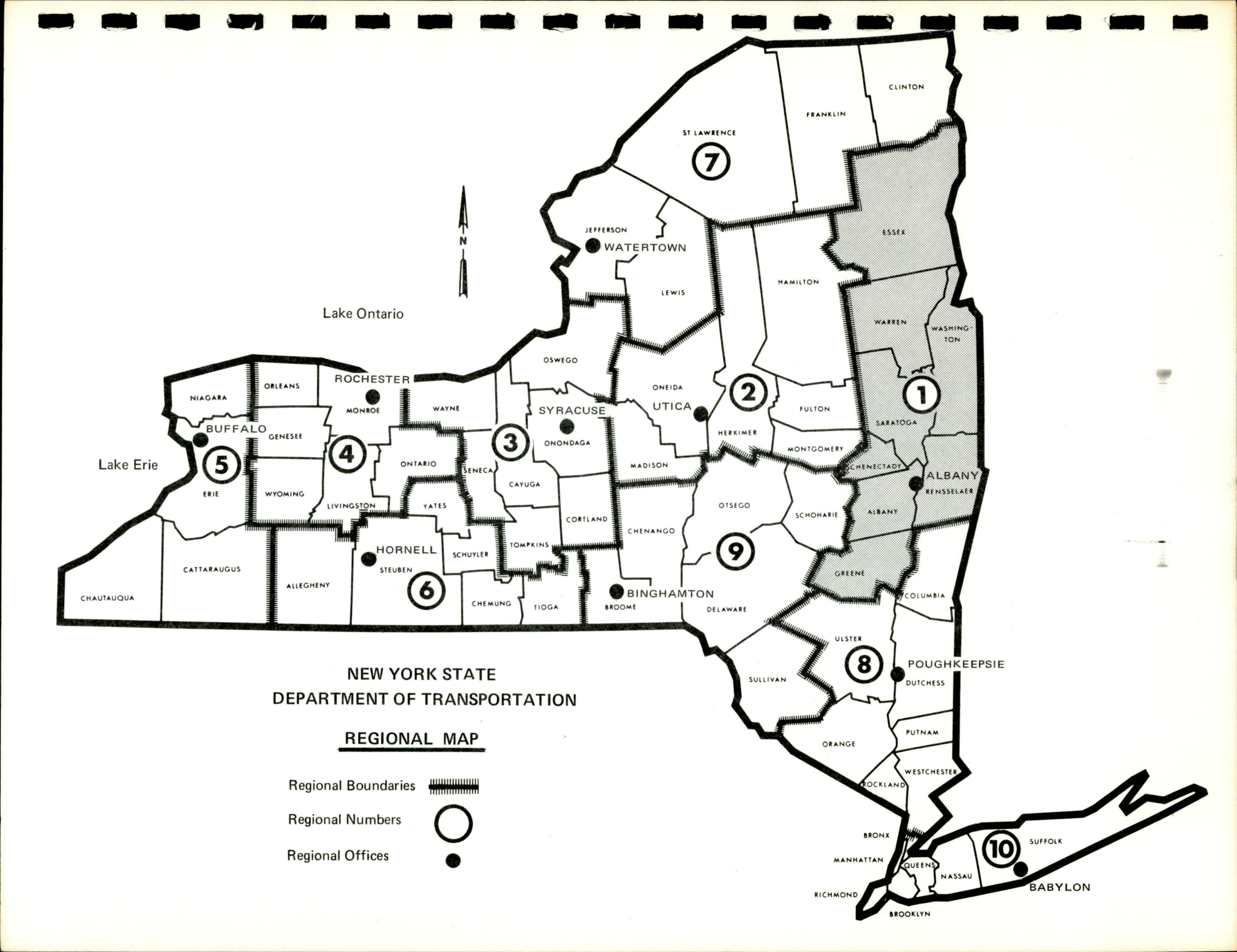
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Region #1

Railroad: B & M (Boston and Maine)
Termini: Johnsonville to Eagle Bridge

Location Map Code: 1-1

- A. Approximate length 8 mi.
- B. Approximate width of right of way 60'
- C. General Conditions

There are no ties or tracks. The southerly end of this abandoned railroad began in Johnsonville at County Road 111 where we found the remains of a bridge abutment. A private driveway crossed the roadbed about 200' north of the bridge abutment. Further on, a few abandoned cars have been parked. The roadbed is solid and the ballast still in place. About 1/2 mile further the overgrowth thickened. Approaching Pine Lake about 2 miles further the roadbed appears to be a dike with water on both sides. Two small culvert trestles are still in place, one at Pine Lake and the other about 1/3 mile beyond. At this point the ROW is parallel to Rt. 67 and only about 100' to the west. After 1/4 mile the roadbed turns slightly northwest away from Rt. 67. Another 1/2 mile and there is a 60' drop to existing ground level on the west of the bed and only about a 15' drop to the east. At this point the roadbed starts a gradual climb. About 1 mile further a cattle pass is still being used. Another 2 1/4 miles there is a small bridge over a stream.

A small junkpile exists 100 yds. before reaching the bridge abutment at Rt. 67. The bridge itself has been removed. Crossing now to the east side of Rt. 67, the ground rising only slightly and leveling off before reaching the abandoned train station at County Road 103 where the abutments are in place but the bridge removed, we crossed two small existing trestles and much marshy land. Upon crossing the County Road and still heading north parallel to Rt. 67 but 15' higher, the overgrowth became heavier. Buskirk being about 1/2 mile beyond this County Road, is the farthest point the right of way could be located. It appears to merge with existing active lines in back of the Agway plant.

D. Structures and culverts are described in Section C.

- E. There appear to be 20 transfers of property from this section since 1900.
- F. The general terrain is level and the predominant use in farming.
- G. Most of the abutting property is privately owned farmland.
- H. Recreational possibilities exist for hiking and "bike" trails in the section between County Road 111 and the eastern abutment of Rt. 67, a distance of approximately 6 miles.
- I. Access can be obtained at County Road 111, a public road leading to an underpass at Pine Lake and at the Rt. 67 abutment.

Region #1

Railroad: B & M (Boston and Maine)

Termini: Mechanicville to Schuyler Junction

Location Map Code: 1-2

A. Approximate length 15+ miles.

B. Approximate width varies 40' to 60'.

C. General Conditions

There are no ties or tracks. The southerly end began at Old Brickyard Road and ran in a northwesterly direction. The roadbed is moderately overgrown 3' to 4' and sometimes a little wet. A power line owned by the New York State Gas and Electric has been constructed down the center of the roadbed. Presumably the utility company has acquired this tract. About 1 1/2 miles after Old Brickyard Road the roadbed had crossed under Van Ness Road. The fill for Van Ness Road has caused the old overpass to either be filled in or removed. On the north side of Van Ness Road the roadbed turns more westerly. One-half mile further on a 35' trestle is missing causing a 30' gully. After another half mile Flike Road is crossed at grade just south of the Neilson Farm. Five hundred feet beyond a 25' trestle has been removed over a 12' gully and stream. Jolly Road is crossed at grade 3/4 mile beyond the gully. Turning more northerly, now fairly level, County Road 76 is crossed 1/2 mile north of Jolly Road. About 1 1/2 miles further on, County Road 75 is crossed.

Continuing north, County Road 423 was crossed near Luthers Saw Mill. Immediately upon crossing 423 the woods were so overgrown it was impossible to determine direction by physical features. We checked with Saratoga County Resident Engineer David Palma and he was able to lead us to Browns Road east of Rt. 9P on Saratoga Lake to show us where the roadbed existed from County Road 423. He also gave us reference points which were very helpful in tracing the roadbed direction from Browns Road to the Saratoga Lake Inlet crossing.

We wish to express our appreciation to Mr. Palma for his information and cooperation.

From Browns Road the roadbed turns toward Rt. 9P. It parallels 9P on the east side and is clearly visible for the next half mile or so. Many camps are built 50' to 150' east of this strip that parallels Rt. 9P. In one short stretch ties were still in place and the camp owner was mowing the roadbed as a portion of his front lawn. On the last 1/4 mile section before the Saratoga Lake outlet it appears some houses have been constructed on the right of way. After crossing the outlet, (Fish Creek) the ROW parallels Fish Creek about 1 1/2 miles to Schuyler Junction, remaining level. There are several camps along this area, utilizing the ROW as lawns.

Region #1

Railroad: B & M (Boston and Maine)

Termini: Saratoga-Schuylerville Railroad

Location Map Code: 1-3

A. Approximate length 13 miles

B. Approximate width 50'

C. General Conditions

Commencing at the old repair shops at Rt. 50 and East Avenue in Saratoga Springs, which shops are presently owned by a bus company, and then travelling easterly to Rt. 29, like evidence of a railroad remain. There are no ties or rails, all crossing markers have been removed, and the bridge carrying old Rt. 29 over the railroad has been removed. The ROW has been utilized by several abutters as lawn area. From Rt. 29 easterly to Schuyler Junction, about 1 1/2 miles, only the fact that fill was required through the Great Bear Swamp gives any evidence of a railroad ROW, roughly 15' wide. From Schuyler Junction, just west of Staffords Bridge Road, recently improved by the County, the railroad paralleled Fish Creek, crossing said creek 4 times to Rt. 32, a distance of 6 miles. The ROW is evident by low underbrush and an occasional rotted tie. From Rt. 32 north about one mile, the railroad crossed Fish Creek again and within 100 yds., the railroad was placed on a trestle built in the center of Fish Creek and travelled 3/4 mile on the trestle and about 200' of concrete wall through the center of Fish Creek. The next 1/4 mile is level and runs through land owned by the United Board and Carton Co. Beyond the box company, a 1/4 mile trestle carried the railroad between Rt. 32 and Fish Creek. All evidence of the trestle is now gone. The railroad crossed Rt. 32 between Victory Mills and Schuylerville and about 1/4 mile of ROW, on a 6' fill remains and levels down to street grade and ran within Village streets the next 3/4 mile to its crossing of Rt. 29 at the old railroad station, still standing, but owned by a farm equipment dealer who has recently discontinued business. At this location, the ROW widened to about 80' to accommodate a three-track yard, and widened still further 1/4 mile behind the station

to accommodate a turntable, the pit of which still remains. From the yard area, about 1/2 mile in length, the ROW narrows again and travels northerly, remaining level, to the crossing of Rt. 32 in Northumberland and on to the west bank of the Hudson River.

- D. The various trestles have been dismantled with the exception of the piles which were driven into the bed of Fish Creek. The old shop building and engine shed in Saratoga Springs are now owned by a bus company, the station at Victory Mills is now owned by an individual who utilizes same as a garage, the station at Schuyler-ville is now vacant, although for a number of years was utilized by a farm equipment dealer.
- E. Much of the ROW has been acquired by abutters, but in certain areas, no buyers were found.
- F. The ROW is fairly level the entire distance between Saratoga Springs and Schuylerville.
- G. With the exception of the Village streets which the railroad travelled in Schuylerville, and the bed of Fish Creek, all abutting land is privately owned.

Region #1

Railroad: D & H (Delaware and Hudson) Termini: Baldwin Dock to Ticonderoga

Location Map Code: 1-4

- A. Approximate length 3 miles
- B. Approximate wiath 60'
- C. General Conditions

There are no ties or tracks. The southmost end is found just west of the County Road at Baldwins' Dock. The roadbed proceeds northeast and crosses the County Road 300' north of the starting point. It then continues along the beach front for 1/4 mile before crossing the County Road again. Upon interviewing a local resident (Mr. Hopkins, a retired D & H railroad engineer), we found out that most of the residents (8) of the beach front properties have acquired title to the railroad bed where it crosses their land. After crossing the County Road in an easterly direction, it continues about 1 1/2 miles through mostly open meadow until it crosses Pine Springs Road. Upon interviewing the owner of Pine Springs Park (residential homes), Mr. Jes Harpp, we learned that his deed also conveys a portion of the railroad bed. Approximately 1000' beyond Pine Springs Road, 2 power lines cross one identified as TIC-Sanfd and the other as TIC-RED, both exit from a nearby Niagara Mohawk Substation. The roadbed continues another mile or so to Lake George Avenue and ends at Pond Lumber & Coal Company where the tracks are in place and used for deliveries.

- D. No structures remained intact. Since most of the roadbed is very close to existing grade, we are not able to establish that any had been removed.
- E. Title transfers are mentioned in Section C.
- F. The terrain is generally flat meadow.
- G. Most of the abutting property is unused meadow.
- H. Since a large number of parcels have been transferred to abutting owners and subsequently improved in some cases with dwellings, the cost to repurchase the land for

- recreational purposes would be very high on an overall acreage basis.
- I. Access can be obtained at Baldwins' Dock, Pine Spring Park Road, and Lake George Avenue at Pond Lumber and Coal Company.

Region #1

Railroad: D & H (Delaware and Hudson)
Termini: Glens Falls to Lake George

Location Map Code: 1-5

- A. Approximate length 7 miles
- B. Approximate width 60'
- C. General Conditions

There are no ties or tracks. All culverts remained intact. Bridges or remains of bridges remain as described below.

From the north side of Rt. 254 the ROW travels northeasterly for approximately 70' until it reaches the remains of a railroad bridge which crossed a stream. Only the stone abutments of the bridge remain. This area is heavily covered with weeds and is swampy.

Three hundred feet northeasterly of Rt. 254 the ROW crosses Glenwood Avenue and continues northerly paralleling Wood Vale Drive on the west. In this area the ROW is in excellent condition, it is lightly covered with weeds and no tracks or ties remain. Poles of the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation follow the ROW in this area.

Approximately 900' further, the ROW crosses County Club Road. At this point the transmission station of the New York State Electric and Gas Company is on the west side of the ROW. The ROW continues in excellent condition. Approximately 1/4 mile beyond County Club Road an old concrete culvert is still in place.

One-quarter mile beyond the culvert the ROW crosses Sweet Road and is heavily overgrown for approximately 50'. Beyond this the ROW is clear and travels slightly uphill as a causeway through a swampy area. A fence crossed the ROW 1/2 mile beyond Sweet Road/ Fifty feet further there appears to be a private roadway over what was once a grade crossing. For the next 200' up to Windcrest Drive the ROW is moderately covered with weeds.

One hundred feet north of Windcrest Drive the ROW is used used as a driveway for the Glens Falls Country Club for approximately 1000' until it reaches a public road (name

unknown) then continues northwesterly through the Country Club grounds for another 1000', then through their parking area, across a fairway then it turned westerly along the northern shore of their private lake (Round Pond). There is a 10' high chain link fence crossing the ROW at the end of their beach. Fifty feet beyond this point there is a 6' high chain link fence crossing the ROW.

One hundred feet beyond the last fence, the ROW became moderately overgrown with weeds. The north side of the ROW dropped sharply a distance of 20' to a swamp. The south side was 20' higher than the ROW. One-quarter mile beyond the last fence the ROW was used as a dumping ground for the neighboring camps at Glen Lake. The ROW continued along the southwest shore of Glen Lake. New camps were erected on the ROW in this area, For the next 1/4 mile to the railroad bridge (still in place and used) and for the next 100' beyond to Canterbury Drive the ROW is used as a service road to the camps. In this area the lake is on the east side of the ROW and a swamp is on the west side.

For the next 1/2 mile to Glen Lake Road the ROW is in excellent condition. There are no ties or tracks. There is a light covering of weeds. The ROW is built on a causeway passing 1/4 mile through a swamp. The west side is approximately 60' deep and the east side is approximately 20' deep.

From Glen Lake Road to Rt. 149 a distance of approximately 1/2 mile the ROW is in excellent condition. One hundred feet to the west at Glen Lake Road there appears to be a bed of a second abandoned railroad line. At approximately 500' north of Glen Lake Road the remains of an old railroad bridge still exists. The stone abutments and the steel framework are still in place. There is no floor to this bridge.

From Rt. 149 to Bloody Pond Road a distance of approximately 1.7 miles the ROW continued in excellent condition in a slightly uphill direction. It was lightly covered with weeds. There were no ties or tracks. One-half mile north of Rt. 149 a concrete culvert was still in place. 2 mile beyond this point was the remains of an old railroad bridge. The stone abutments and the steel framework is still in place. There is no floor to this bridge. At approximately 1.2 miles north of Rt. 149 the ROW appears to be used in conjunction with adjoining lands being used as a borrow pit. Both abandoned lines are visible in

this area. From the borrow pit northerly for the next .2 mile both lines appear to be used as service roads to the borrow pit. The ROW on the E/S continues to a saw mill which is presently located on it. The ROW on the N/S continues northerly as a service road between the saw mill and the houses of some residents to Bloody Pond Road, a distance of approximately 1000'.

From Bloody Pond Road northerly to Rt. 9L the ROW is in excellent condition. It is lightly covered with weeds. At Bloody Pond Road the second line completely disappears. The ROW travels through a deep ravine in a slightly downhill direction and lies approximately 100' west of existing Rt. 9. Approximately .5 mile north of Bloody Pond Road the ROW passes through a borrow pit which is approximately 1000' long and 80' wide. Approximately 1/4 mile beyond the borrow pit the ROW crosses a dirt road then passes through the backyard of a local resident. From this point the ROW continues northerly in an uphill direction. In this area the ROW is in excellent condition. One mile beyond the backyard of the local resident a dirt road crosses the ROW. One-half mile beyond the point, a railroad bridge (completely intact) crosses Rt. 9L. From Rt. 9L the ROW continues northerly approximately 1/2 mile to Beach Road at Lake George. The ROW still continues in excellent condition. It is lightly covered with weeds. It passes through some rock outcropping then disappears completely north of the barricade at Lake George Battlefield Park.

- D. Structures remain as described in item C.
- E. No search of title transfers have been made. However, it appears that portions of the roadbed as described in item C have been transferred. It is our understanding that Charles Wood who owns Story Town, a large amusement park, north of the City of Glens Falls, has acquired most of this ROW which he someday plans to use for an amusement park ride, possibly an old time train ride.
- F. The description of the terrain is found in item C.
- G. Abutting property use is described in item C.
- H. Recreational use exists for hiking, horseback riding, motor bikes and ski mobiles. The ROW basically was in excellent condition. Horse tracks and tire tracks were seen from time to time.
- I. Access is described in item C.

Railroad: D & H (Delaware and Hudson)

Termini: Rt. 67 Overpass to Mechanicville Railroad Yard

Location Map Code: 1-6

A. Approximate length 8 miles

B. Approximate width of right of way 50'

C. General Conditions

There are no ties or tracks. The roadbed crosses County Road #82 about 1 mile from Rt. 67 overpass. There is a culvert located approximately 1/2 mile from County Road intersection. Approximately 1 mile from County Road #82 the roadbed crosses a dirt road around 100' from entrance to Round Lake Rod and Gun Club. Another culvert is located approximately 1/2 mile from this point. The roadbed is in excellent condition to this point. In several sections, it is flat and clear enough to be traveled over by almost any motor vehicle. There are no apparent washouts, landslides, flooding or encroachments. Also, the overgrowth was predominantly very light. The roadbed crosses another dirt road approximately 3/4 mile from the Rod and Gun Club site. There is a culvert located 1/2 mile from this junction and from this point the topography gets rougher. Another dirt road is crossed after approximately 1/10 mile and another 1/4 mile from here the route between the Northway and Rt. 9 is crossed in the Village of Round Lake. Saratoga County now owns the section of the roadbed located within Round Lake Village. Approximately 3/4 mile from the connecting route between the Northway and Rt. 9 this roadbed crosses over Rt. 9 and continues approximately 1 mile till it intersects Ushers Road and continues on the opposite side of this road. From the Rt. 9 overpass to the Ushers Road barricade, the roadbed is in fair condition. It continues on the other side of Ushers Road, but becomes much rougher. It appears within the 1st mile as if several sections might be privately owned since some of it is fenced in and farm machinery is being stored on other sections. After the initial 1st mile, the roadbed improves again and is relatively clear and level. It remains so for approximately 1.5 miles until its barricaded ending on the side of Cary Road. The roadbed continues around 1/10 mile from the other side of Cary Road to the Mechanicville Railroad Yard.

- D. All structures originally built as a part of the roadbed currently exist, except for one gap approximately 20', located about 2 miles from the roadbed's end in the Mechanicville Railroad Yard. The bridge which spanned this length had been removed.
- E. The only apparent changes in ownership have been mentioned in part C.
- F. The terrain is predominantly flat. There is one existing railroad overpass crossing Rt. 9 and one that has been removed.
- G. The abutting properties in general are used for farming or are undeveloped, except for the section which goes through Round Lake Village.
- H. Recreational possibilities of the route exist in the areas of cycling, walking, snow-mobiling and also, since most of the route passes through farming or undeveloped land; nature study, bird watching, etc.
- I. Right of way access can be obtained from several dirt roads at the present time. (See C)

Region #1

Railroad: Mt. McGregor

Termini: Wilton to Top of Mt. McGregor

Location Map Code: 1-7

A. Approximate length 5 miles

B. Approximate width varies from 20' to 60'

C. General Conditions

There are no ties or tracks. Beginning about 3/4 mile west of the Ballard Road and Rt. 9 intersection, the roadbed can be found running in a northerly direction from Ballard Road. It is only slightly overgrown and approximately 1/2 mile long before crossing Mt. Mc Gregor Road. A short 1/4 mile section along the top of the embankment curving left (NW) and again crossing Mt. McGregor Road. At this point the roadbed is a maintained dirt and stone driveway used by the Wilton State School for Retarded Children. The driveway splits to the right of the railroad ROW about 1/4 mile from Mt. McGregor Road. It leads up to settling bins (150 yds. north) which are a part of the school's septic system. North along the railroad bed about 200 yds. from the last mentioned fork in the road, a wooden building 9' x 9' is standing. I learned from the Grant Cottage Historian that the building was the gatehouse to the Mt. McGregor complex some 70 years ago. In back of the wooden building, a distance of 50', a 10' x 20' concrete building exists apparently servicing the Wilton School. The sign on the building says "Danger, Poisonous Chlorine Gas." A hundred yards further a stream is crossed, a fifteen foot fill and a 2' x 3' cobblestone culvert is intact. Onequarter of a mile further an electric power line is located in the roadbed. Another fork in the road exists 1/8 mile past the electric line. The railroad ROW was the left trail. Still gently rising we continued for 1/5 mile before crossing Ballard Road. After crossing we are now heading in a southwest direction but turning slowly to our right which will bring us back to northerly direction. After proceed-1/3 mile a cobble culvert 2 x 2 exists in a 15' fill.

Further on, 1/10 mile, a sharp 20' drop and a ravine 100 yds. wide, 30 deep was crossed. There were 12 pier footings for a trestle that were either removed or otherwise have disappeared with time. The other side of the ravine is covered with rubble from a pier footing that has broken up from age and rip-rap placed for stabilization. The roadbed reduces now more or less to a hiking trail still circling and rising gently for a mile before we pass through a dry stream bed. For the first time the railroad ROW bed is lower than surrounding ground. Trail at this point becomes very overgrown and more difficult to distinguish. The woods then thin a bit 1/10 mile beyond and a collapsed culvert 2' x 3' crossed the railroad ROW. Another trestle was built but does not exist 1/2 mile further on. This was probably the highest of the four we eventually found. The vertical drop as we approached Ballard Road again was 50'. The other end of what was the trestle we found 200 yds. north of Ballard Road. The total length was approximately 900'. We found the remains of 16 pier footings. The trestle remains we found 1/2 mile further on which crossed a gully 40' deep and had 25 pier footings turning gently to the right, and still rising. Some of this was parallel to existing power lines, but before entering dense woods it crosses under. Upon proceeding 1/20 mile we found the last gully to have been crossed by a trestle. One of the smallest 75 yds. wide, 30' high, 7 piers. The roadbed now swings to the right in a NE direction and enters the west side of the Wilton School complex. It did once cross the school complex but because of existing buildings it is impossible to ascertain the exact location. On the east side of the property, still standing is President Grant's Cottage. The resident historian was able to locate the side track used to store the last train in the evening until the AM departure and the location of the train station. This railway it seems was the first leg of the funeral journey of President Grant.

- D. With the exception of the culverts mentioned, none of the structures referred to exist.
- E. The roadbed of the railroad between Ballard Road and the Wilton School has been granted to the Department of Mental Hygiene.

- F. The terrain generally could be considered gently rising with some small rolling hills. The only steep ravines or gullys were the ones crossed originally with trestles.
- G. Most of the abutting property is woodland and owned by the State of New York.
- H. Recreational possibilities exist for hiking. The rail-road bed is presently labeled with yellow and red hiking markers. The trail was crossed in at least two places by another labeled "Cimarin Trail" and once by a trail labeled "Lake Bonita 3/4 mile". We have met with Dr. Rector, Director of the Wilton School at his request, to discuss the reason for our survey. He expressed some concern that converting the right of way to public use may not be in keeping with purpose of the Wilton State School. We wish to thank Dr. Rector, his superintendent, and the Grant Cottage Historian for their assistance and information.
- I. Access can be obtained from Ballard Road in two places, and Mt. McGregor Road in four places.

Region #1

Railroad: Penn Central

Termini: Troy - Schenectady

Location Map Code: 1-8

A. Approximate length 20 miles

B. Approximate width 60'

C. General Conditions

There was no flooding, washouts or apparent encroachments. The section between Rt. 9 and Schemerhorn Road is generally a shallow fill with the rails removed but ties remaining. Trail bike tracks were evident throughout this section in spite of heavy weed overgrowth (3' high) near Forts Ferry Road. In the vicinity of Lock 7, the tracks are still in place. An old engine and two cars are on the tracks and are being preserved for the Schenectady Museum. About 3/4 mile west of Lock 7 the tracks have been removed. One mile and a quarter west of the lock on the southwest side is a dumping area for trash presently being used. Further on, about 1/2 mile beyond the last point, a sign suspended from a chain crossing the tracks indicated the railroad right of way is now owned by the Atomic Energy Commission. This ownership continues for about 1500' before ownership apparently changes to the General Electric Corporate Research and Development Laboratory. At a distance of three miles west of the Lock 7 area, rails again appeared on the ties. The ties pretty generally exist throughout the 20 mile section.

- D. All structures originally built as part of the roadbed, currently exist.
- E. The only apparent changes in ownership have been mentioned in part C.
- F. The general terrain with the exception of a segment about 1 1/4 miles west of Rt. 9 did not require extensive work for railroad construction. At this point, however, a 60' fill was necessary to cross a low point.
- G. The land use with the exception of G.E. and the Atomic Energy Commission is developed.

- H. The area does have recreational possibilities. Presently, during the fall, the section bordering the Mohawk River is migrating waterfowl. It is a natural resting area and a segment of what is known as the Great Western Flyway. Permanent hunting blinds have been constructed in the swamp. There are indications that trail bikes use the right of way area now for recreation.
- I. Access can be obtained to right of way from Forts Ferry Road, Lock 7 Road, River Road and Rt. 146.

Region #1

Railroad: Penn Central

Termini: Feura Bush - Selkirk

Location Map Code: 1-9

A. Approximate length in miles 8.1

B. Approximate width 60'

C. General Conditions

There was no flooding, washouts or apparent encroachments.

The section between Rt. 32 and Bell Crossing Road appeared to be in fair condition. At Rt. 32 there was an abandoned siding to a feed mill. To the left of what appeared to be an unused portion of track, there was a gravel roadbed approximately .7 mile in length. This roadbed at one time contained tracks, but it appeared to be used presently as a railroad service road. Ninetenths (.9) mile from Rt. 32 the track was overgrown with vines and the rails were rusted. At the right of the tracks was an abandoned track bed, possibly used as an additional line or a siding. Tracks and ties were removed on the addtional line at this point, the roadbed was covered with weeds. At 1.2 miles from Rt. 32 the track continued to be overgrown with vines and weeds. At this point, on the second line the ties were still in place. At 1.4 miles from Rt. 32 an area 50' wide, and to the right of the ROW, was used for dumping junk. At 1.5 miles we arrived at Bell Crossing Road.

The section from Bell Crossing Road to Rupert Road appeared to be in fair condition. The length of this portion was approximately 1.5 miles. Here the tracks were still in place and heavily rusted. The ties were rotting and the ROW was overgrown with weeds and brush. There were two places in which a tree had fallen across the tracks.

The section from Rupert Road to Rt. 396 appeared to be in fair condition. The tracks were in place, rusted and overgrown with weeds. An additional track appeared at .5 mile from Rupert Road. On this additional track the rails were removed, but the ties were still in place.

The section from Rt. 396 to Rt. 9W appeared to be in good condition. At .25 mile beyond Rt. 396 there is an additional track. At 1.9 miles beyond Rt. 396 there is a private grade crossing. At this point there is a gravel road to the right of the ROW. At .75 mile beyond the private grade crossing the tracks and ties were removed. The roadbed was replaced by a dirt road. One mile beyond the grade crossing is a fence across the road. One-tenth (.1) mile beyond the first fence is a second fence. Three-tenths (.3) mile beyond the second fence the ROW enters the parking lot of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School and continues approximately .1 mile through school property on Rt. 9W. The school is now using the old ROW as part of their parking area and a driveway.

- D. All structures originally built as part of the roadbed currently exist.
- E. Indications of private ownership not verified.
- F. The general terrain did not require extensive work for railroad construction. The terrain in this area was lightly rolling.
- G. The neighboring land use is mostly farming. In the Long Lane area there is the General Electric Complex and the Penn Central Railroad Yards.
- H. This area has recreational possibilities. The area prior to arriving at the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School is currently used for motorcycling.
- I. Access to and from this facility would be from Rt. 32 (Feura Bush Road), Bell Crossing Road, Rupert Road and from Rt. 396.

Region #1

Railroad: Penn Central Termini: City of Troy

Location Map Code: 1-10

- A. Approximate length within the City of Troy 1 3/4 miles
- B. Approximate width 60'
- C. General Conditions

There are no ties or tracks. We located the southerly end at the intersection of Canal and First Streets. The roadbed follows a northeast direction to Jefferson and Second Streets. At this point there are several junk cars abandoned. The Kennedy Garage has fenced a portion of the old roadbed and stores parts and equipment in this area. Still proceeding northeast and crossing Third Street we find houses abutting on the north using the old roadbed for backyard space. Along Fifth Avenue a lot owned by the City, along which the roadbed abuts, is being graded for a playground. Proceeding north under Ferry Street and beneath the Ahern Apartments and existing between Bumstead Chevrolet and the Troy Boys' Club, there is now Sixth Avenue built in the area of the old roadbed. After a few blocks the roadbed swings a bit east again, and continues under Hutton Street. After a few more blocks the abandoned portion appears to merge with several sets of tracks presently used.

- D. With the exception of railroad overpasses none of the old railroad structures exist.
- E. It is estimated that 75% of the old roadbed is owned or is being used by others.
- F. The terrain is level.
- G. Most of the abutting property is owned privately.
- H. Because of the location within the city and the problem of crossing streets, etc., we see little possibility of converting for recreational use.
- I. Access can be obtained from most of the streets described in section C.

Region #1

Railroad: Rutland Railroad

Termini: Vermont State Line to Columbia County Line (Columbia

County shown on Region #8 map)

Location Map Code: 1-11

A. Approximate length 30 miles

B. Approximate width 66'

C. General Conditions

There are no tracks or ties in either Rensselaer or Columbia Counties. All railroad bridges have been removed with the exception of one located at Petersburg Junction.

In an investigation at both the Rensselaer and Columbia County Clerks' offices it was discovered that a total of 177 parcels had been sold to abutting land owners. Of this amount 9 were State appropriations, 17 were sold to corporations other than railroads, 2 were sold to railroads, 3 were sales to counties, 2 were sales to towns, 2 were sold to churches, 1 sale was to a school and 141 were sold to individuals. A list of the libers and pages is attached to this report. In the 47 miles traveled by this writer it appeared most, if not all, of the railroad property had been sold off. Location of the old ROW was found in many instances with the help of elderly residents.

From the Vermont State Line the ROW travels westerly along the south side of Rt. 7 for approximately 1 mile then southwesterly for approximately 3 miles to County Road 95. The old ROW was still in place and was approximately 5' to 7' higher than the neighboring fields. It appeared that portions of this area was used for grazing cattle. Various sections of the old ROW was fenced off.

The ROW crossed County Road 95 approximately 70' south of a cemetery and traveled SW approximately 1 mile to the Boston and Maine Railroad Line. At County Road 95 the ROW passed through fenced off pasture for approximately 1/2 mile. In this area the old ROW is used in conjunction with the pasture, For the next 1/4 mile the old ROW is densely overgrown.

In this area the only remaining bridge can be found. From the bridge the ROW crosses a private dirt road then through a cultivated corn field to the Boston and Maine tracks. The remains of an old depot is found in this area. From the tracks to the Hoosick River, a distance of approximately 1/4 mile, the old ROW is completely overgrown with corn. The bridge crossing the Hoosick River was removed, only the abutments remained in place.

From the Hoosick River to Rt. 346, a distance of approximately 1/4 mile, the old ROW was lightly overgrown and was used for horseback riding. A neighbor by the name of Marie S. Moon said that Raymond T. Dunigan had purchased this portion from the railroad.

From Rt. 346, traveling a distance of 976', the ROW was in good condition. Marie S. Moon said that this portion of the old ROW was purchased by her parents, Gilbert H. and Catherine Morgan (now deceased) by quitclaim deed in Liber 1059, Page 343. Mrs. Moon is the new reputed owner by descent. From Rt. 346 south, for approximately 100', the old ROW (now the Moon land) is used as a driveway for two neighbors. The next 150' is fenced off for Mrs. Moon's daughter to ride a horse. Abandoned cars and junk are strewn along both sides of this area. The remainder of Mrs. Moon's property is used by neighboring property owners in conjunction with their backyards.

From the end of the Moon property, for approximately .4 mile, the former ROW is now cultivated with crops. At the end of this area is an Esso Service Station operated by Lawrence Church. The building was constructed on the former ROW.

From this point south, for approximately .6 mile, the old ROW was purchased by Ernest Yerke and is used as a driveway to his lumber mill. Mr. Yerke said that he purchased approximately 1 mile of the old ROW.

South of this area a woman by the name of Mrs. McCart has 3 house trailers situated on the former ROW. She claims to own approximately 1500' of the ROW. South of this area, for approximately 300', the ROW is cultivated in corn.

For the next 1.5 miles the ROW is covered with weeds and brush. According to a local resident Duane M. Jones the former ROW crossed the new Rt. 22 to a rest

area on the west side of the road then returned along the east side of the road across the front portion of his property.

For the next .3 mile the old ROW was heavily overgrown with weeds.

From this point to Dill Creek, the ROW was cultivated with corn. This area was approximately .9 mile in length. A farmer by the name of Hewitt pointed out the ROW in this area.

From Dill Creek south, for approximately 1.8 miles, the ROW was moderately covered with weeds and passed through an area which appeared to be a narrow ravine. This area was approximately 20' beneath new Rt. 22.

For the next .2 mile to Rt. 2 Petersburg the ROW was in good condition. Motorcycles and horses are used in this area. One hundred feet before reaching Rt. 2 there is a house trailer situated on the ROW.

From Rt. 2 to old Rt. 22 the ROW travels southwest .4 mile through a marshy area then through lands of a contractor by the name of Hewitt. Mr. Hewitt said that his father purchased 6 acres of the old ROW for \$25. The ROW is currently used as a driveway through his property. Mr. Hewitt owns property on both sides of County Road 90. The ROW crosses this road to old Rt. 22.

From this point the ROW continues SW in good condition through Little Hoosick Park Camping Grounds for a distance of approximately 300'.

For the next .6 mile the ROW is moderately overgrown with weeds. Two-tenths (.2) mile beyond this point a fence crosses the ROW and for the next .4 mile travels through a moderately overgrown area to the Broken Wheel Camp Grounds. The ROW continues southerly through a moderate overgrowth of weeds for .9 mile to Brimmer Farm Road.

From Brimmer Farm Road to Satterlee Hollow Road, a distance of 1 mile, the ROW is in excellent condition and is used as a roadway. The State car was driven through this area.

From Satterlee Hollow Road to County Road 38 (Jones Hollow Road), a distance of .5 mile, the ROW is moderately covered with weeds and in good condition. The Little Hoosick River runs along the ROW on the west side.

From County Road 38 to County Road 36 (Southeast Hollow Road) the ROW continues SE for .7 mile over Depot Street. The ROW is moderately covered with weeds. The surrounding area appears to be a small village. One hundred yards beyond County Road 36 the railroad bridge was removed. The abutments still remain.

From the railroad bridge beyond County Road 36 to Lamphier Lane the old ROW was used in conjunction with the surrounding pasture lands. The old ROW ran approximately 1/4 mile to the east of new Rt. 22 and traveled in a southeasterly direction.

From the end of the pasture, for approximately 1 mile, the ROW turned southwesterly and crossed new Rt. 22 approximately .1 mile north of the point where the Little Hoosick River crossed new Rt. 22. The ROW, prior to crossing Rt. 22, was heavily covered with weeds.

From Rt. 22 the old ROW passed southwesterly near an old schoolhouse (now called New York State Ski Club, Inc.). This area is covered with lawn and used in conjunction with neighboring properties. The ROW continued through open fields. Poles owned by the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation followed the old ROW in this area and approximately .5 mile after the ROW crossed Rt. 22 it turned southwesterly and continued for another .5 mile until it reached Sand Bank Road. The roadbed was higher in this area than the surrounding lands. It was also heavily covered with weeds. The New York State Electric and Gas Corporation poles continued to follow the old ROW.

From Sand Bank Road to Rt. 22, a distance of .6 mile, the State car was driven over the roadbed. The road appeared to be used as a service road by the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation. The roadbed was lightly covered with weeds but well maintained. It was approximately 7' higher than the surrounding land in this area.

From that point the old ROW crossed to the east side of new Rt. 22 and then traveled southwesterly through what is now a cultivated field; a distance of approximately .5 mile. From there it recrossed to the west side of Rt. 22 near Bly Hollow Drive and traveled southwesterly following the poles of the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation for a distance of

approximately 1.1 miles to County Road 35. The ROW now travels through a low area and follows a branch of the Kinderhook Creek. This area is moderately covered with weeds. New Rt. 22 is approximately 100' higher and to the east of the old ROW in this area.

From County Road 35 to County Road 31, a distance of approximately 2 miles, the ROW turns southeasterly and continues to follow the poles of the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation and the Kinderhook Creek. This area is in a deep ravine and is covered with weeds.

From County Road 31 to Rt. 43 (Stephentown) the old ROW continues to follow the poles of the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation and the Kinderhook Creek. At Rt. 43 it appears that a new house was built in the old ROW.

Crossing Rt. 43 the ROW was in excellent condition and passed to the west of the McClintock Chevrolet dealership and continued southerly as a bed of a street for approximately .2 mile. The old depot can be seen in this area. At the end of .2 mile the ROW became heavily covered with weeds and brush. Walking was extremely difficult in this area. Approximately .2 mile beyond this point the bridge was out which spanned an area 50' deep. The abutments to the bridge were still in place. On the other side of the bridge the ROW was in excellent condition. It passed through the Idle-a-While Camp Grounds to Knapp Road, a distance of approximately 1 mile. The old ROW in this area was used for riding motor bikes and for walking.

From Knapp Road to County Road 28 (Carpenter Road), a distance of approximately 1 mile, the ROW was in excellent condition. It was used as a private driveway of Dr. Farrell, an area M.D.

From County Road 28 (Rensselaer County) to Old Post Road (New Lebanon, Columbia County), a distance of approximately 2.9 miles, the ROW was fenced off in four different locations. Many areas were heavily covered with weeds. After walking approximately 1.4 miles the railroad bridge was out. The span covered

an area 20' deep. The abutments were still in place. Horse tracks could be seen in parts of this area. The ROW passed through privately owned grounds used as a camp. This area was about 300' long and was used in conjunction with the camp grounds. Then the ROW became heavily overgrown for the next 1/4 mile. The last 1 1/4 miles were in excellent condition and clear. Tracks of horses and motor bikes were seen in this area. An old freight building was seen approximately 100' north of Old Post Road.

RUTLAND RAILROAD

COUNTY RENSSELAER

RECORDED TRANSFERS

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RECORDED TRANSFERS

The D & H Railroad, from two miles southeast of Ballston Spa to about two miles north of Saratoga Springs, was relocated in connection with PSC 6025-6627 and PSC 6627-7027. The appropriation references in connection with the Grade Crossing Eliminations follow. The deed references for the conveyances out of railroad also follow. During the early 1960's, the Saratoga North-South Arterial was constructed from Van Dam Street in Saratoga Springs northerly to its interchange with the Northway, following substantially the abandoned D & H Railroad which had earlier sold off the ROW. The future plans for the North-South Arterial envision utilizing the abandoned mainline through the heart of Saratoga Springs, now all in private ownership.

D & H Railroad

Project	Map	Parcel
PSC 6025-6627 PSC 6627-7027 Int. Rte. 502-2-2 Int. Rte. 502-2-4	82, 90, 97 129 137 319, 320, 362	63, 66, 88 152 216, 217 547, 548, 549, 612

Saratoga and Schuylerville Railroad

Project			Map	Parcel		
Int.	Rte.	502-2-4	313	352		

Deed References

From D & H To: (Commencing 1951)

Grantee	Liber	Page
Inward Corp.	532	456
George R. Varney	537	433
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	542	259
Village of Ballston	554	414
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	580	394

Grantee	Liber	Page
Saratoga County Saratoga County	582 582	20
Saratoga County	587	256
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	615	483
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	617	329
Village of Waterford	623	443
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	637	363
General Electric Co. (Waterford)	647	291
Nicholas J. Taniredi	655	143
Wilbur H. Haynes and wf.	671	112
City of Saratoga Springs	688	374
Helen B. Pasco	689	516
Charles Moore	693	382
John Dirant	694	160
Theodore Adinolfi	694	339
John Nichols	694	501
Charles A. Canby A. S. Dake	696	193
William T. Evans	700	462
City of Saratoga Springs	701	503
Alice M. Jenkins	701	527
Anthony Parillo	704	182
Marguerite M. Simon	704	275 347
Lee J. Yanney and ano.	705	306
Frank S. Parillo and wf.	707	39
Charlotte L. Lewis and ano.	706	182
Elmer L. Derby and wf.	708	1
County of Saratoga	708	322
Edmund Klirocki and wf.	709	19
Saloy J. Prisco and wf.	709	223
Village - Ballston Spa	709	375
Joseph N. Braim	711	72
Philip J. Gaffney and wf.	711	475
Cathryn Pastore	712	362
Village of Ballston Spa	715	15
Michael R. Biss and ano.	715	374
Antonio Ballestero and wf.	717	39
Emanon Land Corp.	717	425
Fred L. Macklin	Misc. 19	257 Rec.
Leo J. Heagerty	719	45
John W. Durant	719	129
Village of Ballston Spa	721	469
William J. McNeary and ano.	722	245
Charles Zelikofsky et al	726	265
Robert Gower	727	283
Aronson Holding Co., Inc.	727	289
Leo J. Heagerty	727	462

Grantee	Liber	Page
Dominick Lambert and wf.	728	349
Central School Dist. #1	728	339
Stark Oil Co.	735	527
Joseph Noonan and Son County of Saratoga	738	521
Carnegie Wallpaper	743	180
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	747 748	207
Olga Taravtino	749	413 525
Harry W. Clements and wf.	752	19
Joseph D. Nevill and wf.	754	187
Anthony Scarone	755	134
Antoinette J. Fannucci	756	291
Antoinette J. Fannucci	756	295
Lasselle Enterprises, Inc.	760	486
Lasselle Enterprises, Inc.	760	495
Van Curler Realty, Inc.	761	303
Van Curler Realty, Inc.	761	307
Nicholas J. Tancredi	762	218
Village of Ballston Spa	765	32
Gerald Selig	766	61
Frederick J. McNearny and ano.	766	126
Harry Machrlain and wf.	767	30
Earl H. Palmer and wf.	767	230
Robert Van Patten	777	22
County of Saratoga	780	328
Boston and Maine Corp.	781	252
Village of Ballston Spa	781	281
Eugene T. Haynes	782	247
William F. McNearny	782	489
Saratoga Ice Co. Triffbito Plastico, Inc.	783	335
Elwyn S. Bailey and wf.	784	219
Nicholas F. Tancredi	785	114
Frank A. Costanzo	786 787	15
Joseph M. Ruggiero	798	183 127
Saratoga Springs Urban Renewal	804	13
Y.M.C.A. Saratoga Springs	817	536
The Footbills Corp.	830	357
New York Telephone Company	858	209
County of Saratoga	870	157
Robert K. Curtis	872	355
Town of Clifton Park	892	84

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Saratoga and Schuylerville Railroad To:	(Commenc	ing 1946)
Samuel F. Palmetto Gordon E. Scott and wf.	646 647 647	414 380 399
Lottie M. Ketchum Pietro Alcavisi Samuel M. Pinsly Naomi Baker Joseph N. Olendorf and wf. Jeremich Sullivan and ano. Joseph W. Hiller and wf.	647 648 648 649	452 372 374 389 432 494
J. L. Pierce and wf. Joseph A. Fawnucci and wf.	650 650	316 401

Grantee		Liber	Page
Saratoga White Cap Spr	ing	654	190
Saratoga White Cap Spr		654	192
Kirt Wreinberg and wf.		656	486
Joh D. Kruger		658	352
John C. Need and wf.		659	456
Saratoga and Schuylerv	1110 to		430
Central Markets	TITE CO	698	53
		664	425
Curtis L. Grosier and	W.L.		526
Leo Turgen and wf.		668	
Mary D. Lupo		667	405
Mary Bogdanski		680	509
Helen Fleming		680	553
Anthony B. Morrison an	d WI.	690	469
Anthony Del Prite		700	32
William F. Wolfersheir	m	705	379
Guy C. Ripley		727	247
Frank J. Carr		732	80
Philip H. Monoban		757	208
Fitchburg Railroad (B Junction To:	& M, Mechanicville	- Schuyle:	r
William H. Lane		333	380
West Virginia Pulp and	Paper	343	376
Harris F. Qua	T.	345	106
Delaware and Hudson		346	560
New York Power and Lig	ht	361	98
American Manufacturing		370	513
Edward McCabe		373	444
Ernest Carings		392	598
Old Colony Trust Co.		404	187
Saratoga County		414	504
Arthur G. Qua		420	335
Saratoga and Schuylerv	ville Railroad Co	432	389
Stafford Jones et al	TITE Railload Co.	505	106
D & H Railroad		648	106
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Town of Halfmoon	a and Car	754	160
New York State Electri	.c and Gas	821	272
John Fascia and ano.		021	212
Rensselaer County			
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New York Central Railroad (City of Troy)
No State Appropriations

Boston and Maine Railroad (City of Troy)
No State Appropriations

Boston and Maine Railroad

Project	Map	Parcel	
Hoosick Falls Flood	1, 13, 20, 24, 29	1, 18, 19, 28, 33, 42	
Control Project	30, 25, 65, 70	43, 44, 17, 85, 88, 89, 91, 92	

Deed References

Conveyances out of the Rutland Railroad were furnished with our report of August 27, 1971.

New York Central Railroad To:

Grantee	Liber	Page
Huyck and Sons Huyck and Sons Huyck and Sons Richason Snyder Longo City of Rensselaer East Chemicals Ludlow Valve Barnett Valley Warehouse Corp.	644 796 885 630 693 731 968 1040 1052 1063 1162	371 467 406 & 409 483 426 21 210 508 374 485 8
Boston and Maine Railroad To:		
B & M to Fitchburg B & M to Fitchburg B & M to Fitchburg B & M to Hebert Strope Wilson Co. Collins Hercules Powder Danahy	347 367 383 403 412 413 413 414 421	38 13 470 198 107 705 204 418 496

Grantee	Liber	Page
Smith	422	402
J. L. Thompson & Co.	474	488
Caroline Thompson	425	408
Cahill	504	393
Rensselaer Co.	613	211
J. L. Thompson & Co.	615	374
Old Colony Trust	622	210, 202
Troy Record Co.	626	306
B & M to Ryan	734	429
Cole Supply Co.	813	270
Village of Valley Falls	844	458
Merchants Feed Corp.	845	42
Blue Flame Gas Co.	865	125
Wiley	889	1
Troy Boiler Works	947	105
Moseley	972	267
Austin	974	456
Winchell	989	33
Colonial Dev. Corp.	1071	97
Colonial Dev. Corp.	1071	104
Collins	1080	477
Clemente Bros.	1082	483
B & M to Eagle Mills Land Co.	1084	515
Troy Lumber Co.	1093	491
Collins	1095	185
Thompson & Co.	1098	10
Mannos	1112	118
Mannos	1119	256
Wilco Foods, Inc.	1197	365
O'Konski	1213	633
Village of Hoosick Falls	1219	149,153,
		160

Warren County

Appropriations - none that affect the abandoned Glens Falls - Lake George Section of the Delaware and Hudson Railroad.

Deed References
Delaware and Hudson Railroad To:

Grantee	Liber	Page
Russall A. Baker	215	79
Village of Lake George	218	274
Guy Davenport	220	586

Grantee	Liber	Page
Town of Caldwell	224	108
Village of Lake George	224	116
George H. Stafford	225	12
R & S Railroad Co.	231	347
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	296	95
Guy Davenport	316	400
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	328	79
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	361	57
Russell S. Brown	377	44
Dave T. Martin	377	330
Charles Reeves Wood	381	330
Charles Reeves Wood	381	16
Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.	397	1
D & H Railroad Corp.	219	41
Anthony J. Parillo	444	281
Elizabeth F. Filkins	459	283
Finch, Pruyn and Co., Inc.	489	558
Finch, Pruyn and Co., Inc.	489	560
Northeastern Products Corp.	493	292
Finch, Pruyn and Co., Inc.	496	64
Delaware and Hudson Railway Co.	496	591
Warren County	504	101

Schenectady County Appropriations

New York Central Railroad

Project	Map	Parcel	
Mohawk Golf Club, Aqueduct, P.T2	12	15	

Deed References New York Central To:

	Grantee		Liber	Page		
United	States	of	America	(1965)	863	644

No other deeds were found.

Albany County

Appropriations

New York Central (Rte. 9 in Colonie to Schenectady)

<u>Project</u> <u>Map</u> <u>Parcel</u> 5555 364R-2 392, 393, 432

S.H. 5555 Int. Rte. 502-1-2

Deed References New York Central Railroad To:

Grantee	Liber	Page
Town of Colonie	1858	323
American Museum of Electricity	1863	46

The West Albany Shops of the New York Central were sold as an industrial park.

Grantee	Liber	Page
Anderson Equipment Corp.	1742	191
McEnaney Oil Corp.	1746	257
West Albany Warehouse, Inc.	1486	163
United Traction Co.	1856	379
Bruno Machinery Corp.	1887	55
Port Hudson Realty Corp.	1885	517

Region #1: Supplementary Information

Supplementary information on abandoned railroads has been made available for publication by the Main Office, Bureau of Bridge Planning and Review. Time limitations have not permitted the investigation of sales related to these abandoned tracts of right-of-way.

It is anticipated that this research can be accomplished at the next periodic investigation. Location map code numbers 1-12 through 1-39 fall in the above category:

REGION 1 ABANDONED RAILROADS

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Code	Miles	Year	Description	County	Railroad
1-12	16.	1929	Rensselaer to Columbia Co. Line. Power Line now on ROW	Rensselaer	Albany- Southern
1-13	15.6	1971	Troy-Johnson- ville (track to be removed)	Rensselaer	Boston & Maine
1-14	8.	1960	Eagle Bridge to Hoosick	Rensselaer	Boston & Maine
1-15	13.8	1932	Johnsonville- Greenwich (much of ROW now a County Road)	Rensselaer	Boston & Maine Greenwich & Johnsonville
1-16	6.	1925	Wynantskill- Averill Park	Rensselaer	Troy-New England United Traction Delaware & Hudson
1-17	6.		Athens Dock- Ravena (still shown on U.S.C.S. map)	Green	New York Central
1-18	4.5	1920	Fullers-Carman Power Line on part of ROW	Green Albany	New York Central

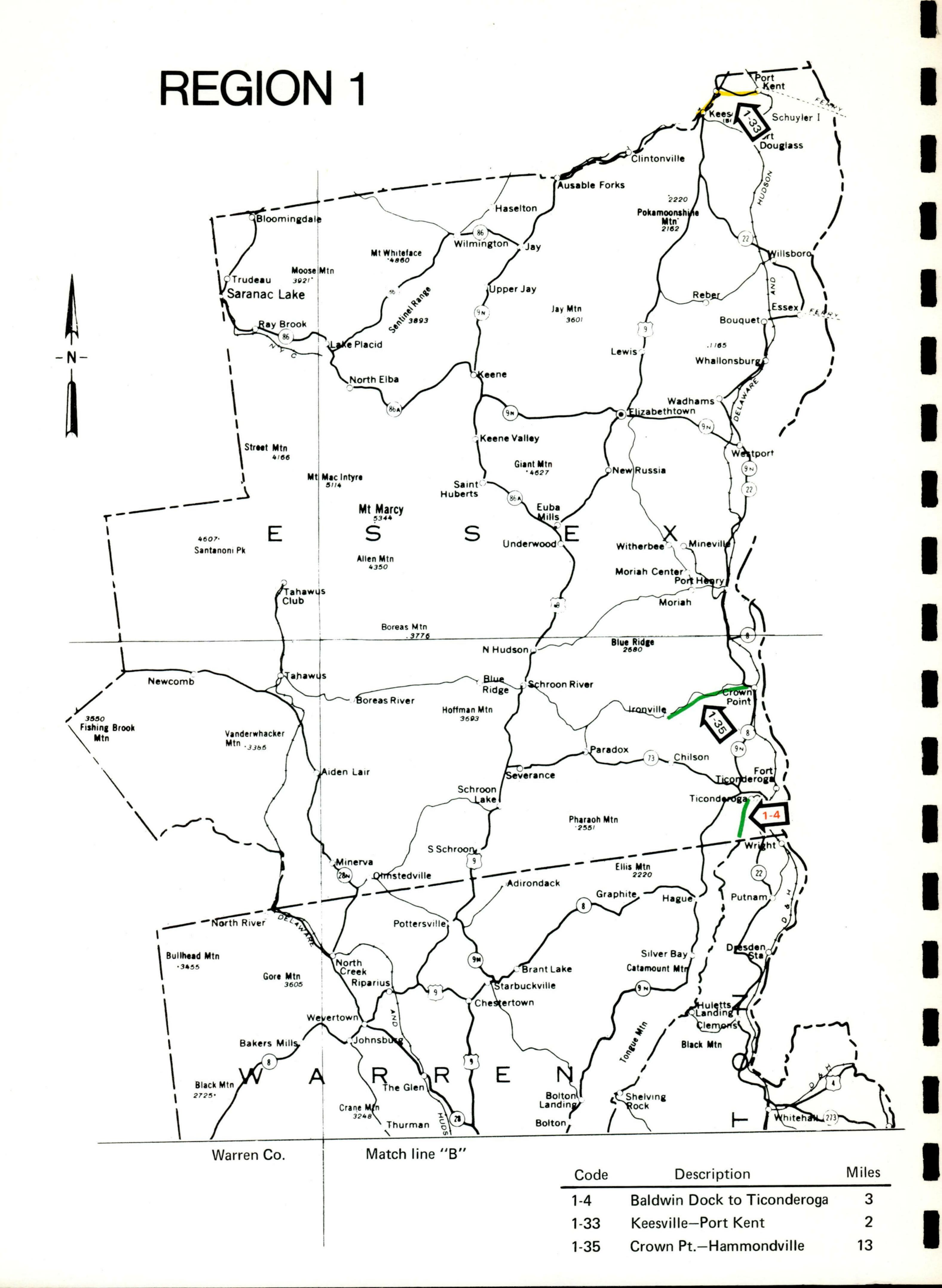
Code	Miles	Aband. Year	Description	County	Railroad
1-19	4.6	1926	Ravena-Selkirk Visible from Thruway	Green	West Shore
1-20	3.8	1859	Waterford Junc- tion to Schagh- ticoke still visible	Rensselaer	Albany, Vermont & Canada
1-21	8.	1928	Waterford- Mechanicville Much along US 4 is visible	Saratoga	Hudson Valley
1-22	13.	1926	Mechanicville- Round Lake- Ballston	Saratoga	Hudson Valley
1-23	12.	1941	Alplaus-Ballston Lake-Ballston, Powerlines on part run parallel to D & H for much of distance.	Saratoga	Schenectady
1-24	12.	1929	Ballston Spa- Middle Grove Visible	Saratoga	Kaydeross Railroad
1-25	15.	1928	Mechanicville- Schuylerville	Saratoga	Hudson Valley
1-26	10.	1928	Schuylerville- Ft. Edward some parts visible	Saratoga	Hudson Valley
1-27	15.	1926	Glens Falls- Warrensburg visible and still shown on Northway construction plans and USGS maps	Warren	Hudson Valley
1-28	17.	1928	Saratoga-Wilton- South Glens Falls some sold off old ROW still visible		Hudson

Code	Miles	Aband. Year	Description	County	Railroad
1-29	5.	1926	Greenwich-Thomson Visible - assume sold	Washington	Hudson Valley
1-30	12.		South Schenec- tady-Delanson visible. Shown on USGS	Schenectady	Delaware & Hudson
1-31	7.	1927	Hoosick Falls- State Line some parts visible.	Rensselaer	Bennington & Hoosick
1-32	8.	1938	Schenectady- Amsterdam Visible	Schenectady Montgomery	Fonda-Johns- town Gloversville
1-33	2.	1924	Keesville-Port Kent Highways have obliterated much of this old ROW	Essex	Keesville, Ausable Chass & Lake Champlain
1-34	3.	1926	Saratoga-Kayde- ross Park Visible	Saratoga	Hudson Valley
1-35	13.	1893	Crown Point- Hammondville Visible	Essex	Crown Point Iron Work
1-36	6.	1844	Gansevoort St Fuller Road *For historic reasons, approx. 1/8 mile built in 1831 still exists west of Thruway Hyatt House.		Mohawk & Hudson

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Code	Miles	Year	Description	County	Railroad
1-37	(12	1920	Catskill Landing Cairo	Greene	Catskill Mt. Railroad
	(6	1920	Cairo Junction- Palenville	Greene	Catskill Mt. Railroad
	(3	1920	Catskill Mt. House- Tannersville	Greene	Catskill Mt. Railroad
	(1.5	1920	Base Station- Mountain House Otis Elevating Railroad with the C & T at the Mt. House, it was a cable incline some parts visible	Greene	
1-38	27	1840	Cooksburg-Catskill still visible in some places	Greene	Canajoharie & Catskill
1-39	(11.5	1940	Phoenicia-Kater- skill Junction	Ulster/ Greene	Ulster Delaware/N.Y. Central
	(2.6	1940	Katerskill Junction- Hunter	Greene	New York Central
	(7.6	1940	Katerskill Junction- Haines Falls Much still visible	Greene	New York Central

Note:

Region #1 investigated approximately 119 miles of Abandoned Railroad Rights of Way. This investigation shows that of that total, less than 9 miles still remain in railroad ownership.



REGION 1

ABANDONED RAILROAD RIGHTS OF WAY

LEGEND

Scale: 1 inch equals approximately 8 miles

Regional Investigation

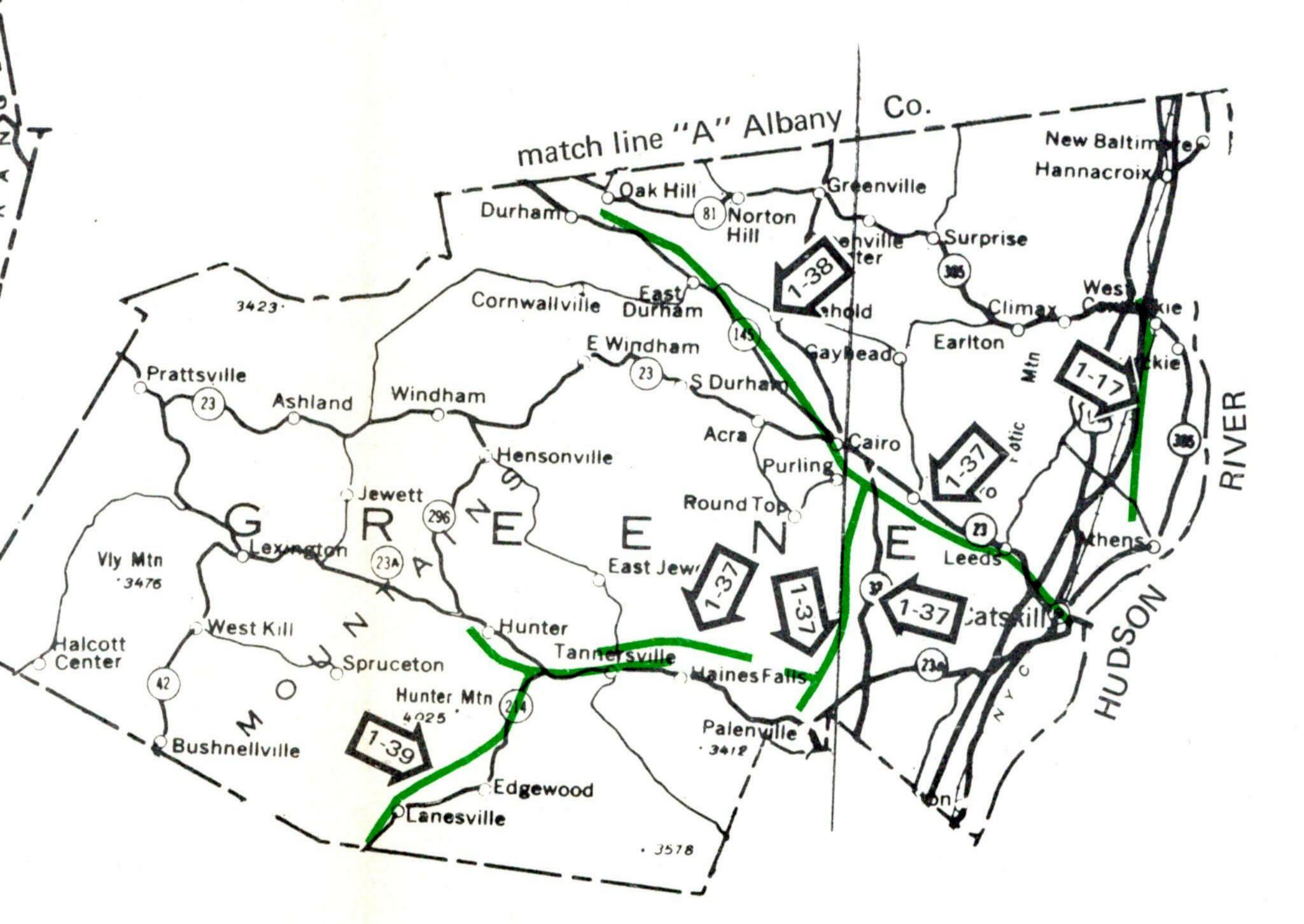
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Owned by Railroad -

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Acquired by State

Code	Description	Miles
1-1	Johnsonville to Eagle Bridge	8
1-2	Mechanicville to Schuyler Jct.	15
1-3	Saratoga-Schuylerville RR	13
*1-4	Baldwin Dock to Ticonderoga	3
1-5	Glens Falls to Lake George	7
1-6	Rte. 67 Overpass to Mechanic- ville RR Yard	8
1-7	Wilton to Top of Mt. McGregor	5
1-8	Troy-Schenectady	20
1-9	Feura Bush-Selkirk	8.1
1-10	City of Troy	1.75
111	Vermont State Line to Columbia Co. Line	30
1-12	Rensselaer to Columbia Co.	16
1-13	Troy-Johnsonville	15.6
1-14	Eagle Bridge-Hoosick	8



Code	Description	Mile
1-15	Johnsonville-Greenwich	13.
1-16	Wynantskill-Averill Park	6
1-17	Athens Dock-Ravena	6
1-18	Fullers-Carmen	4.
1-19	Ravena-Selkirk	4.0
1-20	Waterford Jct. to Schaghticoke	3.8
1-21	Waterford-Mechanicville	8
1-22	Mechanicville-Round Lake- Ballston	13
1-23	Alplaus-Ballston Lake-Ballston	12
1-24	Ballston Spa-Middle Grove	12
1-25	Mechanicville-Schuylerville	15
1-26	Schuylerville-Ft. Edward	10
1-27	Glens Falls-Warrensburg	10
1-28	Saratoga-Wilton-So. Glens Falls	17
1-29	Greenwich-Thompson	5
1-30	So. Schenectady-Delanson	12
1-31	Hoosick Falls-State Line	7
1-32	Schenectady-Amsterdam	8
[*] 1-33	Keesville-Port Kent	2
1-34	Saratoga-Kaydeross Pk.	3
⁶ 1-35	Crown PtHammondville	13
1-36	City of Albany: Ganesvoort St Fuller Rd.	6
1-37	(Catskill Landing-Cairo	12
	(Cairo JctPalenville	6
	(Catskill Mt. House-Tannersville	3
4 00	(Base StaMt. House	1.5
1-38	Cooksburg-Catskill	27
1-39	(Phoenicia-Kaaterskill Jct. (Kaaterskill JctHunter	11.5 2.6
	(Kaaterskill JctHuinter (Kaaterskill JctHaines Falls	7.6