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Commission will hold telephonic public hearing March 10 on proposed abandonment of rail line

BOISE (March 5, 2020) – The Idaho Public Utilities Commission is hosting a telephonic hearing on Tuesday, March 10, to accept public comments on the abandonment of a section of rail line owned by Eastern Idaho Railroad.

Eastern Idaho Railroad is proposing to abandon a 0.76-mile section of rail located in Idaho Falls. The section runs from Milepost 184.14 (immediately southeast of the grade crossing with Yellowstone Highway) to Milepost 184.90 (north of the grade crossing with W. Broadway Street).

The telephonic hearing will help the Idaho Public Utilities Commission determine if the abandonment would adversely affect the area being served, impair the access of Idaho shippers to vital goods and markets and whether the rail line has the potential for profitability.

Those interested in participating in the telephonic hearing can do so by calling 1-800-920-7487, and entering the passcode 6674832#. The hearing starts at 2:00 p.m. and concludes after those interested in calling have done so.

Information on the proposed abandonment can be found at: https://puc.idaho.gov/case/Details/6428.