

Feature Class Name

Railroad

Summary

Lines representing abandoned and active railroads. Each separately owned mainline route is depicted as a single line. Principle routes are shown with selected sidings and yards. Selected bridges and tunnels are depicted cartographically.

Description

This data set shows railroad ownership for geographic information systems at WSDOT. Includes only Surface Transportation Board (STB) decisions after 1996. May not reflect all rail banked lines.

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Fields

ReportingMark

The official abbreviation for individual railroad as assigned by Association of American Railroads (AAR)

Name

The official name of railroad

RailOwner

Private company or public agency that owns but not necessarily operates a particular railroad.

BeginMilepost

Beginning milepost where known

Status

Whether the rail line is active or abandoned.

Active: Rail is currently in use in the State of Washington.

Abandoned: Rail is no longer used and will not be used again.

Rail Bank: An alternative to Abandonment where the Right of Way is preserved for potential future use as a railroad.

Abandonment

The year of abandonment

EndMilepost

Ending milepost where known

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