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Subject: Windstream Services, LLC -- Section 106 Emergency Relief

Windstream Services, LLC's request for Emergency Authorization for standard Section 106 review to proceed, dated, and posted on ECFS on, July 13, 2020, for TCNS#s 199100 and 199095, is granted via this email.

On June 25, 2020, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau issued a Public Notice announcing an electronic process for FCC licensees to apply for emergency authorization to resume standard historic preservation review for qualifying critical infrastructure projects during this COVID-19 crisis. *See Section 106 Emergency Authorizations During Covid-19*, Public Notice, DA 20-668, Rel. June 25, 2020. Windstream Services, LLC requested an emergency authorization [\[click here to view request\]](#) under this process based upon one of the criteria set forth in the Public Notice – “needs of unserved/underserved areas due to COVID-19 effects.”

Standard Section 106 review will proceed for these projects in accordance with the procedures established in the *Second Report and Order*, notwithstanding State or Tribal Historic Preservation Office closures. *See Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment*, Second Report and Order, 33 FCC Rcd 3102, 3151, para. 111 (2018) (*Second Report and Order*), remanded in part sub nom., *United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians v. FCC*, No. 18-1129, 2019 WL 3756373 (D.C. Cir Aug. 9, 2019).

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