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The request from Windstream Services, LLC, (Windstream) for Emergency Authorization for standard Section 106 review to proceed, dated July 28, 2020 and posted on ECFS on July 29, 2020, for the following TCNS#s 198826, 198828, and 207943 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, 35 FCC Rcd 5977 (WTB 2020). Windstream 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*, 933 F.3d 728 (D.C. Cir. 2019).

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