

Can cello - Benevento Private Railway

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TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION, A.C. ,
(RAIL DIVISION)
c/o. Transportation (Br) Main,
C.M.F.

Tel : 843239
Ref : AC/Tn/41/37/C.E.

26 June 1945

SUBJECT : Benevento-Cancello
Private Railway.

TO : The Director
Tn Sub-Commission.

1. The work on this line will be completed and line ready for traffic on July 4th.
2. I attach translation of letter handed to Capt. Greany on his leaving the work.

A.H. Street
A.H. STREET, Major

BENEVENTO + CANCELLO RAILWAYS.CARPINETO TUNNEL 24TH JUNE 1945.
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The managers, workmen and the whole personnel, are eternally grateful to you, for what you have done for the rehabilitation of this railway, destroyed by the retreating Germans. This line links up many important provinces with a large population, and is therefore very important for their life. Will you express to the Allied Command our gratefulness. To you Captain Greany we offer you these flowers as a symbol of our gratefulness, as only through your help day and night, it was possible to complete these, so difficult and very important work, in the Carpineto tunnel, which was a very difficult job. We wish you a brilliant career and we hope that you can soon go back to your family.

Our best wishes and greeting from
the personnel of the Railway.

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INTER-OFFICE MINUTE

Ref. AC/57/25/Tn 4

TO : Rail Movements
Tn Sub-Comm. HQ AC

SUBJECT : Cancellio-Benevento private railway.

1. Reference is your 432/2/Tn 3 of 9 April 1945.
2. A letter has already been received from G-4 (Mov & Tn) AFHQ and the matter will be followed on direct in conjunction with MRS.
3. The line is included on a list recently sent to Planning Division to assess priorities.

O. H. Lindberg, Lt. Col.
O.H. LINDBERG
Lieut. Col. R.E.,
Chief, Rail Division.

Transportation Sub-Comm. (Rails)
Tel. 843238
11 April 1945

*Confirmed by Maj
Richardson work is
being carried out by
Kulikow on No 1
line*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
LNO 304
Transportation Sub-Commission
(Movement Division - Rail)

9 April 1945

Ref: 478704

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SUBJECT: Cancellato - Movement Private Railway

TO : Transportation Sub-Commission,
Rail Division

1. Reference your 40/77/25/In 4 dated 3 April '45.

2. The general question of reconstruction of the line between Cancellato and Movement has been further discussed with 6-4 (Mov & Cn) AIRM based on the information contained in your letter.

3. AIRM state that if the line from Cancellato to Movement Appia can be put into working order fairly quickly it will meet their immediate requirements.

4. It is understood that at the present troop movements to military camps along the line are being carried out with road transport, which at this time can be all opened, it is in order to release this transport and provide for greater intakes that on urgent demand is now being made to have this line opened at any rate to Movement Appia with the minimum of delay.

5. The traffic over the line from a military stand point will be nearly all personnel, very little stores will require to be moved.

6. Please give the reconstruction of this line your urgent attention and arrange for it to be included on a priority basis in the list of works to be carried out which you are submitting to the next meeting of the Priority Board.

For the Chief Commissioner

WFS

Commissioner of Transportation
Mail Division

Reference your letter dated 5 April 1964.

The general question of reconstruction of the line between Connelley and Connelley has been further discussed with the (see 4-4-64) and based on the information contained in your letter.

It is noted that if the line from Connelley to Connelley is to be put into working order fairly quickly it will meet their immediate requirements.

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For the Chief Commissioner

WJS
H. A. THOMAS, Colonel
Deputy Director
Transportation Sub-Commission

Copies to : 4-4 (see 4-4) and
Transportation Section
Priority Board
Reconstruction Officer H. A. T.
AC Transportation Officer, Naples

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INTER-OFFICE MINUTE

Ref. AC/57/25/Tn 4

TO : Colonel M.J. Sieff,
Chief Movements Division HQ AC

SUBJECT : Cancelllo-Benevento Private Railway.

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2. In January 1944, MRS construction units took up much of the track for the relaying of the longer ISR route, and since that time, little has been done until recently to reconstruct it.

3. There was an enquiry in July 1944 about opening a part of the line to meet the needs for conveyance of about 900 workmen for No 3 district, but it was not developed, as it was felt the material demands were not justified.

4. In November 1944 a Decree was passed which enabled the private railways to borrow money for reconstruction, and the company availed themselves of this. They have been slowly rebuilding the line, but no priority was assessed by this Commission in view of other important works, and the Southern Regional Commissioner agreed there was no immediate need for rebuilding.

5. In January it was learned that about 8 kilometres of complete track, which includes rails and ties, would permit a service to be operated between Cancelllo and Benevento Appia, at 45,733 km. The length between Benevento Appia and the city itself, (2.505 km.), requires repairs to the Calore Bridge and the Malicagna bridge. The former bridge needs a centre pile and two 25 mt spans, the latter an 8 mt span. The bridge work was not important; there was no priority on it, and other more important

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6. MRS offered to supply the track, but there has been some dispute with ISR as to whether track includes ties, because they are not at all anxious to part with the latter, and pressure is being brought upon them in the matter, although without support of a priority, it is difficult to enforce the demand.

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7. With the provision of the rails and tracks in the near future, it is understood the line could be laid and the Carpineto and Torretinelli tunnels cleared by the end of April. I should emphasize that no one has expressed any real interest in the line, and we have not submitted any request for construction material to the construction committee.

8. For many months the employees have been submitting complaints, that the proprietors did not intend to do anything, because they were operating more remunerative road services. The employees are anxious to work, and as I see it, if any priority is given to the job, the line at least as far as Benevento Appia can be got into good order fairly quickly. It possesses some rolling stock of its own, and would be in a position to start a limited passenger and freight service early in May.

O. H. Lindberg, Lt. Col.
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Lieut. Col. R. E.
Chief, Rail Division.

Transportation Sub-Comm. (Rails)
Tel. 843238
5 April 1945.

Copy to: Major Howes, Mov Liaison Officer MRS
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