

American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association

Proposed Letter Ballot 07-21-07

1. **Committee and Subcommittee:** Committee 7, Timber Structures; Subcommittee 3, Construction, Maintenance and Inspection of Timber Structures.
2. **Letter Ballot Number:** 07-21-07
3. **Assignment:** C3-1-14: Review and update Parts 4, 5 and 6 of Chapter 7
4. **Ballot Item:** Add a paragraph to commentary Article 6.5.2.6 Fire Protection
5. **Rationale:** This ballot is part of subcommittee review and reaffirmation of Chapter 7. The proposed change adds an additional paragraph to address a comment made during review and approval of ballot 07-20-10.
6. **Vote:** Approve _____ Disapprove _____ Abstain _____
*Note: If you have a conflict of interest on the topic being considered, you must mark the ballot "Abstain."
7. **Comments:** Comments must be provided when voting to disapprove or abstain. Use additional space on back or attach sheet as necessary.

8. **Voting Deadline:** Please vote ONLINE. If you are unable to vote online, please e-mail your ballot to Stephanie Swanson at stephanie.swanson@bnsf.com. The deadline to vote is **December 23, 2021**.
9. **Signature:** I have read the regulations Governing AREMA Technical Committees and have complied with all its requirements.

Signed: _____ Name (Please Print): _____

Date: _____ E-mail (if changed): _____

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Proposed changes as follows:

Deleted text noted by ~~strikethrough~~.

Added text shown by underline.

Add a second paragraph to commentary Article 6.5.2.6 Fire Protection as follows (The first paragraph was added via ballot 07-20-10):

6.5.2.6 Fire Protection

Bridge inspectors should consider the fire protection system during their regular inspections. At a minimum, the inspection should indicate and/or note any apparent deficiencies with the fire protection system that may need an in-depth, specialized inspection by the qualified personnel.

Inspectors should also note when a fire protection system inhibits complete inspection of specific bridge components.

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