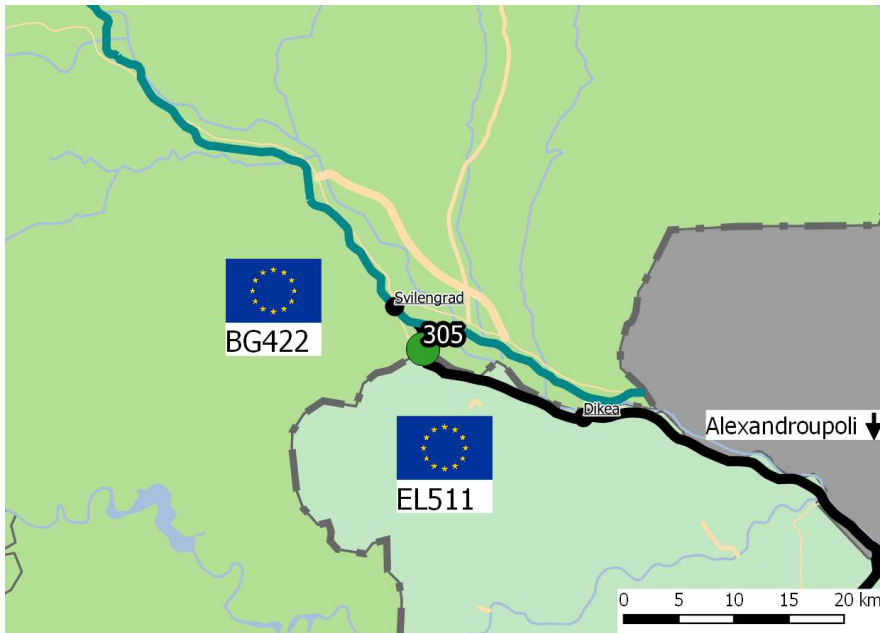


**Svilengrad [BG] - Díkea [EL]**


<b>ID</b>	305
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<b>Length</b>	16,6 km	<b>Travel Speed</b>	-
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<b>Passenger flow</b>	-
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<b>Inauguration</b>	1874
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<b>Closure</b>	2011
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**Importance ...**

<b>... border region</b>	Medium
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<b>... countries concerned</b>	Medium
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<b>... TEN-T network</b>	No
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<b>Status of operation</b>	operational	<b>Classification 2017</b>	Freight only
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<b>TEN-T corridor</b>	-
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<b>Missing infrastructure</b>	-
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<b>Administrative obstacles</b>	Not available
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**INTEROPERABILITY ISSUES**

<b>Railway gauge</b>	1435 mm
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<b>Number of tracks</b>	1
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<b>Electrification</b>	-
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<b>Train control system</b>	[BG]: EBICAB 700 and ETCS
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**OPERATIONAL ISSUES**

<b>Type of service</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Passenger services	<input type="checkbox"/> Touristic/seasonal services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Freight services
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<b>Passenger services in 2017</b> <i>regional/long distance/TEN-T/seasonal</i>	0 / 0 / 0 / - <i>Number of trains per week (number of operating weeks in brackets)</i>
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<b>Infrastructure manager</b>	National Railway Infrastructure Company (NRIC) [BG]; OSE [EL]
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<b>Language of operation</b>	?
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<b>Competent authorities for PSO passenger services</b>	Ministry of Transport, Information Technology and Communications [BG]; Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks [GR]
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<b>Railway undertaking(s)</b>	BDŽ [BG]; TrainOSE S.A. [EL]
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<b>Ministry of transport</b>	Ministry of Transport, Information Technology and Communications [BG]; Ministry of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks [EL]
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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

OSE operated one train each way between Díkea and Svilengrad until August 2009. No service was reported for the 2010-11 timetable or for subsequent years. In September 2017 it was reported that Bulgaria and Greece had signed a Memorandum of Understanding on the upgrade of that railway to connect three Greek ports (Thessaloniki, Kavala, Alexandroupolis) with three Bulgarian ports (Burgas and Varna on the Black Sea and Ruse on the Danube) but obviously mainly for purposes of freight traffic.