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Thanks for allowing members of the Tooele County EMS Council to provide comments. There are two ambulance services in Tooele County, Mountain West Ambulance Service and Wendover Ambulance Service.

Mr. Joe Carnell, Mountain West Ambulance Director, advised the biggest impact would be having the railroads crossing two major roadways if these supply trains close both roadway crossings at the same time. For example, Grantsville Ambulance responds to portions east of the proposed line. If the tracks are ground level this could delay the Grantsville Ambulance by forcing them to divert south onto SR112 Hwy and then north on Sheep Ln. If the next closest ambulance unit is dispatched out of Stansbury Ambulance via SR138 Hwy or Tooele Ambulance via Erda Way this has the potential of delaying EMS as well as other emergency responders. If one or both of the roadway crossings are raised and do not impede response Mr. Carnell did not see an issue. If there was a medical emergency on the train, they would do what they currently do with other railroad crossings and rendezvous with the train at the nearest/safest crossing.

Wendover Ambulance Director, Ms. Lauara Lisk, echoed what Mr. Carnell stated. If there are times when the railroad crossings are blocked, EMS response would be affected.

I also asked for input from Mr. Adam Cleveland. Mr. Cleveland is an area Union Pacific Railroad Special Agent. He advised after reading the letter and looking over the map, it does not appear there would be an impact on public safety operations. The potential for blocked crossings at the area of SR138 Hwy may have an impact on traffic and emergency response. However, the distance on both sides from the Burmester yard and the new park yard did not indicate a blocked crossing except when trains are passing by. He did see need for more involvement from fire/hazmat as it opens up more potential for chemical spills if your company plans to have tank cars stored in this area.

Tooele County EMS Chairperson,

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Signed by: Regina