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There seems to be a lot of toing and froing going on, as my grandmother would say.

Frank Patton has said one thing and then later another on the same topic.

Assurances have been made that have not been fulfilled.

To seek approval for a project of this magnitude that will spoil so much land and so many lives, one would expect the application to have been more complete and to have had some meat on its bones when addressing public demand or need, the public interest and especially the financial capabilities of GLBT and those specifics.

I call Mr. Patton's honesty into question. Over a year ago, when the public's knowledge of this project began to emerge, GLBT proposal was only a rail transportation venture. He neglected to tell us about the toll way.

On May 1, 2017, 10:05 P.M., The Chicago Tribune printed, "We didn't want to go public with the highway but that was our original intent", Patton said Monday after he released a map that included both transportation plans."

Yes, throughout the entire process there seems to have been a lot of toing and froing.

Countless numbers of individuals have written so persuasively against this project.

Every letter submitted to the STB that I've read made me want to send a letter back to you attached to theirs that said, "Ditto."

Those letters of opposition received by the STB on this project from the 11 counties in 3 states, both last year and again now, by fire departments, county boards, townships, schools, businesses, farm bureaus, clubs, directors of state agency's, state senators and representatives, congressmen and congresswomen, railroads and the people cannot be ignored.

Deny, please, Great Lakes Basin Transportation, Inc.'s application (to build).