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It is my understanding that there is a proposal up for consideration that would restrict the amount of time negotiations for railbanking may be extended. I am writing in opposition of this proposed measure.

Railbanking negotiations can take years to come to a positive resolution for all parties. As a resident of a state that has utilized old railbeds for hundreds of miles of recreational trails, it seems like poor policy to restrict this practice. Numerous parties are involved, funding for conversation is not often readily available and often takes years to assemble. Please allow negotiations to continue without time restriction.