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Dear STB,

I think Mr. Patton needs a lesson in how one's so call "dream" can cause hardships and devastation to others. He also needs to be aware that just because certain areas of land don't have big city buildings and railroads or high falutin roads on it, doesn't mean that it is underdeveloped parcels.

Some of the richest farmland that he proposes to run his railroad through is more important to those of us who use this land as our life, our profession and for our love of farming. We as farmers are helping to feed the world and take it literally to heart about preserving God's purpose for the use of this land. We are the caretakers, the ones who plow and plant and don't take corners, we seed, feed weed and we take pride in taking care of God's land!

Mr. Patton needs to figure other ways to leave a legacy to his children! Leaving a legacy to our children is just as important to us as building his "dream" that will run right through so many fields making it tougher to farm. It will also be contributing to the sadness of many as they have worked their whole lives to purchase the land that they farm just to have it taken away because of the lack of knowledge of people who think they can just take things away from others when it serves their own purpose.

Our legacy to our family and others is teaching them to continue to be caretakers of God's land so that God's purpose for that land will be never-ending.

Please stop this nonsense now before it goes any further. Deny Patton's total application!!!!
Save the farmland!!!!!!

Thank you,

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