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Any review of the Great Lakes basin project must include a review of whether the existing rail service is adequate for the public's use. Since GLBT is solely concentrating on freight service the answer to this question is yes, the existing rail lines provide adequate access for the general public to ship items by rail. Most grain elevators already have freight lines running through or near them, so any freight the public wanted to ship could be done there. Expanding further to the shipping companies and companies that ship, they too must have adequate access to places they may load their freight onto rail cars, if not the GLBT line would be located near places that ship good via rail, instead by their GLBT applications own admission this line is not located by any such place. Therefore in regards to adequacy and access to rail freight service it appears the public has adequate access to ship items via rail. As a result the GLBT project does not pass a public necessity review and must be denied.