



RE: NEWS on the Freight Train! 
David Navecky to: Mary Hillberg

09/17/2015 01:33 PM

Mary -

Any independent rail line proposal from the Larkin Group could require the approval from the STB to construct and operate. To date, the Larkin Group has not come to the STB with any written concept or proposal to construct and operate a rail line. If the Larkin Group approaches the STB formally, we will address the proposal at that time.

Meanwhile, the STB's environmental review process will continue on its present course, that is, to complete its identification of feasible alternatives to include in the EIS. To assist in our independent feasibility evaluation of a potential alternative through the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, I met with staff from the Air Force's 45th Space Wing and got a tour of the Air Force Station in July (this trip was unrelated to any potential project of the Larkin Group). After that visit, the STB sent an August 2015 letter to the 45th Space Wing with follow-up questions, the answers to which will assist in our feasibility evaluation of a potential Air Force Station alternative in the EIS. The reply from the 45th Space Wing is expected in the next two weeks. Upon receipt of the 45th Space Wing's reply, my office will review the information and will then reach a conclusion on the feasibility of a potential Air Force Station alternative.

[For your convenience, I have attached the main body of the August 2015 letter to the 45th Space Wing. If you are interested, the lengthy attachments can be found on the STB's web site at www.stb.dot.gov, click on "Environmental Correspondence" under the "Environmental Matters" drop down menu, select "Outgoing by Docket Number" in the upper left hand corner, go to the second page listing "FD_35852_0" and click on the blue arrow. The subject attachments are provided with "Document # EO-2636."]

Our conclusion on a potential Air Force Station alternative - whether it's feasible and should be studied in the EIS - will be presented as a recommendation to the five federal agencies that are assisting the STB in the preparation of the EIS. I'm anticipating that this group of agencies, the five cooperating agencies and the STB, will reach an agreement on whether to study a potential Air Force Station alternative in the next couple of months.

Thanks,

Dave

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"Mary Hillberg"

Me either. Let's see what it says. When you sai...

09/15/2015 05:21:50 PM

From: "Mary Hillberg" <hillberg@earthlink.net>
To: <David.Navecky@stb.dot.gov>
Date: 09/15/2015 05:21 PM
Subject: RE: NEWS on the Freight Train!

Me either. Let's see what it says. When you said you came down to talk to the AF, I thought that's what you were talking to them about. But then when you didn't talk about it, I thought it should stay a secret.

Some are celebrating already, but I don't celebrate until it is in stone. It is never over until it is over, for me.

How can the EIS include this new development?

Mary

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From: David.Navecky@stb.dot.gov [mailto:David.Navecky@stb.dot.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2015 4:02 PM
To: Mary Hillberg <hillberg@earthlink.net>
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Yes, I have heard of the Larkin proposal, but have not seen any written plan or proposal.

Dave

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From: "Mary Hillberg" <hillberg@earthlink.net>
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Date: 09/15/2015 03:56 PM
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It is a big deal here. The rumble is that Walsh may be on the edge of having to play elsewhere. Perhaps he was not fully informative to the port Commission about the Larkin proposal. Did you know about it?

Mary

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From: David.Navecky@stb.dot.gov [mailto:David.Navecky@stb.dot.gov]
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Thanks for the article Mary, I had not seen it yet.

Dave,

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Hi David,
Were you aware of this?

Mary

Port Commissioner Allender pushes Cape rail route

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