

October 19, 2016

Dave Navecky

Surface Transportation Board

Docket N. FD 35952- Great Lakes Basin Transportation, Inc.

395 E Street SW

Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Dear Mr. Navecky,

I am writing you in opposition to the above Great Lakes Basin Transportation, Inc. (GLB) project.

I am deeply concerned about public safety on this rural road. The current route crosses Cunningham Rd, between Welden and Falconer Roads, in Winnebago County, Illinois. Per the Winnebago County Highway Department as of the latest traffic records, approximately **2,900** vehicles travel that road every 24 hours. The proposed GLB route is about 1,000 feet east of the crest of a hill. I believe drivers travelling the 55 mph speed limit will not be able to see the 100 plus trains daily. Nor will they be able to see stopped traffic in order to avoid an accident. With trains travelling up to 70 mph every 13- 14 minutes traffic will be severely congested. Within the past few years this area has already experience **one fatality**, several accidents -including one that flipped a van over into the North Fork Kent Creek (on the USGS Topo Map Rockford North-latitude 42.2655757 N and longitude -89.1023285 W) located about 30 feet north of Cunningham Road and several accidents running off Cunningham Road through the fence.

Therefore, I am asking you for a "No Action" decision on this project.

Respectfully,


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