

April 28, 2017

Dear Mr. Blodgett,

This letter is in regard to the Great Lakes Basin Railroad proposed construction in our neighborhood. My concern is for the safety of not only the traffic, but also the response time of our emergency vehicles, such as ambulance, fire dept. and sheriff dept. due to secondary road closures. I am also disturbed by the possibility of derailments which may contain hazardous materials. This could injure our land, drinking water, animal life and overall environment.

My ancestors bought our farm in 1861 and we have been careful to be good stewards of this land. This proposed railroad would definitely destroy the community life we all enjoy here in northern Illinois. As you enjoy where you live, we would like that same privilege to continue this life we have chosen. This railroad is for the profit of a few people and seems to not be concerned for anyone in its path.

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