

Dave Navechy: Surface Transportation Board

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ATTN: Docket no. FD 35982

I am sure my letter is one of many you have received, but I can not let this go without my thoughts on the G.L.B. Rail invading our life & farm. We own a small farm (section 16 of Earl Township in La Salle county Illinois) Of course, the almost 100 acres is the main one that G.L.B. is looking at and if they need dirt for a fly-over, it will be all gone, never to be replaced again.

We have tried to be good caretakers of the land. We no till and put in cover crops to preserve the ground.

In the pass we have had an abandon rail on our rented land and have spent many years trying to get the land back in shape to farm again.

Now G.L.B. wants to put in another rail going across in the other direction. How long will it be before it would be abandoned?

It is also impossible to fix a field drainage tile that is under the railroad.

With many county & Township roads that will be closed, I am concerned about the many school bus routes, let alone the First Responders.

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