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I am writing to voice my concern about the Great Lakes Basin Transportation proposal.

I am not sure if you can fully understand how precious our farm land is to us, the farmers. God made us Stewards of this land. Now, solely for his profit, Mr. Patton and his investors want to destroy our land, our livelihood, our heritage and our dreams. What make them more important than we are?

The issue of runoff from the construction is a big concern. We have a small creek running in the path of the railroad and waterways. If these aren't able to take their natural path, we could end up with alot of swamp land.

Contamination in the case of a possible derailment. The land could be ruined forever. And what about the ground water?

I worry about the safety of the farmers trying to move machinery with 70 MPH trains coming every 15 minutes. The kids going to school. How long it will take police, fire & ambulances to get to those in need.

Besides the railroad the 50 feet utility easement is a concern. What they put there could be

minent Domain is another concern. Why
could a private company be able to take
up land for their own profit, just because
they want to?

Living next to tracks that could have up to
trains today. The noise and dust will be awful.
These people didn't chose this, but will have to
endure it.

How will the animals be affected?

If this railroad goes through it will
change our lives forever. Please
consider everything very carefully.

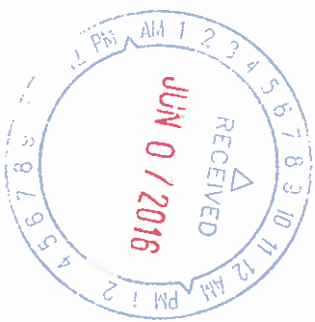
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