

November 18, 2016

Ken Blodgett
Surface Transportation Board
Docket # FD 35952
395 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Attn: Ken Blodgett

I am writing in regards to the GLB Railroad, which I adamantly oppose. I do not believe that eminent domain should ever be forced for personal or private gain. I live close to the Rock River and work close to where the Rock, Sugar, and Pecatonica rivers combine.

I fear for the wildlife and nature preserves that we work so hard to maintain for ourselves and future generations to come. We enjoy visiting the tree farms, orchards, and nature preserves regularly. We don't want the destruction that will most definitely occur if we allow the passage of high speed trains.

I implore you to support the wishes of the local communities and support us in the opposition of a big business installing tracks that will haul oil and other hazardous chemicals into an area that has been preserved natural for years.

In the last few years I have had the pleasure of watching so much wildlife in this areas. We regularly see deer, eagles, pelicans, cranes, herons, and numerous other birds and mammals. There are very few areas left where our wildlife can roam safely.

I thank you in advance for accepting my letter. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding my position.

Best regards,

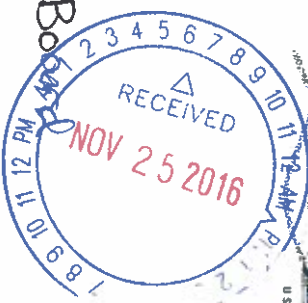


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