

Derail the Tongue River Railroad

Dear Ken Blodgett, Surface Transportation Board, Attention: Environmental filing,

I strongly oppose the construction of the Tongue River Railroad and increased coal-for-export traffic throughout Montana. This proposal would negatively affect my community by condemning private land for corporate profit, just to fuel competing Asian economies. It would take good farm and ranch land out of production, would make farms and ranches more difficult to operate, and would devalue property for 90 miles through the Tongue River Valley. It would also damage irreparably the Tongue River Valley's historical and cultural resources. I urge you to consider these impacts in the scope of the Environmental Impact Statement, to act upon the statewide opposition to this project, and to pursue the no-action alternative.

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Thank you [Signature]
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I'm concerned that we are not looking at the big picture
we are greedy to make a quick profit at the cost of
our grandchildren. Global warming is exacerbated
by coal burning - it's environmental suicide - The trains
will cut our town in half. We live w/ clean air, want to
keep it that way.
Please study the impact of Coal dust on air quality - diesel fumes
near residents. The effect of towns split
in half - local loss of use of trains for local



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