

To: Dave Navecky, Surface Transportation Board

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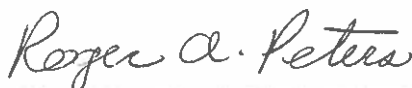
Dear Mr. Navecky,

I am respectfully opposed to the implementation of the Great Lakes Basin railroad for the following reasons:

- The two rails will be within a couple hundred yards from my residence which is located in the back and side of my house. The noise and diesel fumes will be bothersome to my health and my wife's health, which we are about 80 years old. I am located a hundred yards from county highway.
- It is too late to sell the house since the word is out about the implementation of the railroad. I project that I will suffer from a 50% loss of my valuation of my property being 5 acres, 5 bedrooms, 30 x 40 pole shed, pond and creek with covered bridge. I also have a very nice .25 acre prairie and mini arboretum. My property value was intended to supplement my retirement income when I decided to sell it.
- Lack of necessary police, fire and ambulance protection in a timely manner. Not to mention school bus and shopping in the village of Winnebago, this is accessible to our food and medicine.
- Last but not least, the environment concerning the pond, creek, animal and bird sanctuary (I have 12 bird houses) I enjoy, will be impacted greatly.

Thank you respectfully,

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