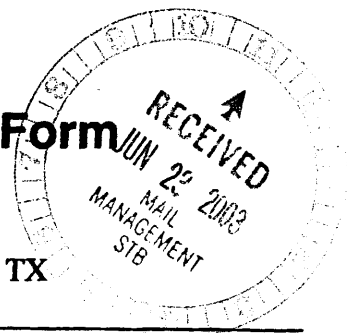




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Questionnaire and Comment Form



Southwest Gulf Railroad Company's
Proposed Rail Construction in Medina County, TX
STB Finance Docket No. 34284

June 12, 2003

This questionnaire and comment form is designed to help you identify and describe any issues of interest to you regarding Southwest Gulf Railroad Company's Proposed Rail Construction in Medina County, TX. Your comments will help the Surface Transportation Board, Section of Environmental Analysis understand public interests and concerns about the project as we conduct our environmental review.

Please complete this questionnaire after you have reviewed the exhibits. If you have a concern about a particular geographic area, please circle it on the attached map.

Please give us the completed form tonight or mail it to:

Attn: FD 34284
Rini Ghosh
Attorney-Adviser
Section of Environmental Analysis
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W., Suite 500
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Your name and address are optional, but would be useful if you would like to be added to our mailing list to receive subsequent information regarding this project.

Name: Mrs. Dorothy Bendele

Address: 912 Houston St.

City, State, Zip: Castroville Texas 78009-

Telephone: 1-830-538-3103

1. Which of the following applies to your situation?

- ☐ The proposed rail line is near my home.
- ☐ The proposed rail line is near my business.
- ☐ The proposed rail line crosses my property

☒ Other, please specify

2. What are your concerns regarding potential environmental impacts and do you have any mitigation suggestions?

New jobs and taxes are needed in Medina County. Vulcan Materials is the most profitable industry to plan to come to this area. I am a life long resident of Medina County, but not an heir or owner of any of the property in question for the easements for the right of way for the Southwest Gulf Railroad and for the quarry site. The majority of the residents of the north eastern part of the county are in favor of this industry (Vulcan) to establish a plant here.

3. Please use this space for additional comments or suggestions.

All this property in question are small farms and pastures, not very productive and owned by elderly residents. No historical homes are in the path of the proposed route of the railroad.

At the present time the property in question ejects more pollution in the air with their old autos and old farm machinery than the Vulcan plant (quarry) and the Railroad train transporting the crushed rock will.

With your approval Medina County people will push forward.

Thank you.

D. B.

Thank you for your comments.