



Great Lakes Basin Rail Line

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

How Do I Submit Comments?

- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at a public meeting, or mail your comments to the Surface Transportation Board's address at the bottom of this page.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a court reporter at a public meeting.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov, and clicking on the "E-Filing" link and then clicking on "Environmental Comments."

Please refer to Docket No. FD 35952 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board. The comment deadline is June 15, 2016.

Dear David Navecky,

I was stunned by the news of a proposed dangerous rail line going diagonally through my 40 acre farm in the fertile farmland of Illinois. I know some people think their food comes from grocery stores, but you know it comes from the hands. When this is destroyed we are all doomed. Please help advise these billionaire land grabbers that farm land is more important to our future. I have been to several of your meetings and none of this idea makes sense. Let's get real! We have 4th generation living & farming our land as many on the

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proposed route of this ~~ridiculous~~^{ridiculous} idea. We farmers are not dumb, and know all our tiles, waterways, ability to get a good crop from our farmland would be destroyed forever. Also possible ground contamination due to spills and/or derailments would be not if but when. The loss of some of the best soil in the world can not be replaced. The future of our world is at stake. Let the farmers preserve our soil as only we know how. God made Farmers for this reason.

Sincerely,
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