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NOISE POLUTION – GREAT LAKES BASIN RAILROAD

Mr. Frank Patton can turn on the noise of freight trains day and night, but we have no way of turning off the noise EVER! We can NEVER get away from it. It will always be on. And he has drawn the tracks on the map less than 900 FEET from my son's house and grandson's bedrooms. For his own personal gain.

And he doesn't care, because it isn't at his house.

My son moved out to his land on E. Tighe Rd in Rock County, WI. He moved out there for the peace and quiet of nature. We are lucky we get to spend so much time there. But now, Mr. Frank Patton wants to take part of my son's land and blast freight trains through it for his own personal gain. It's bad enough that he wants it to go through farm lands. He could have gone a little farther east to move it away from a small group of houses on E. Tighe Rd. But it seems no consideration was put into the route and its effect on the HOMES and their owners in Rock County, WI. Just a line on a map.

There is a recent study that looked at the effect of noise and vibration of cargo ships on whales. It put noticeable stress on the whales and altered their behavioral patterns. What will this do to our stress? How will we sleep? Talk to each other outside? Open the windows and enjoy the sounds of nature, chirping of birds, and many times just the silence? No, instead, Mr. Frank Patton wants us to listen to freight trains?! Day and night! So HE can get rich. Has he never been out in nature? Does he want to live next to the noise of freight trains day and night?

I wish for you peace and solace.

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