

BEECH CREEK BRANCH LINE

Comment Form for Public Scoping Meeting
February 10, 2009

Thank you for joining us tonight to learn about environmental studies for the proposed reactivation of the Beech Creek Branch Line. An important component of the environmental clearance process is to gather and consider comments from the interested public. Please complete the information below and deposit this form in one of the collection boxes marked "Comment Forms".

1. In which municipality and county is your residence located?

Morrisdale Clearfield

2. How did you learn about the meeting tonight?

Newspaper - Progress

3. Please tell us your comments about the information presented here tonight. (How well was the information presented; was it informative and understandable; were the consultants helpful in answering your questions; etc.)

Talked to Representative of Skelly & Loy who Described
The Route to Be Re-opened. He explained and answered
Questions & Tried to Answer my Comments.

4. What additional comments about the proposed rail reactivation would you like to add?

I AM very much opposed to this Re-opening. My Name is
Robert G. Hoover and when this line was closed the old Bridge
that connected Meyers Rd. in Morris Twp. (which Services my
Farm) was Removed and the Rail Line was Filled in, Paved at
Government Expense. Penn Central Refused to Construct a New
Bridge Prior to this. We fought to keep a Bridge for over
20 years, But Penn Central was not Required to Maintain a Bridge
Because when they took ^(over) the Rail Line — they did not take

Any Bridges That Serviced Traffic. It cost me many hours of work and \$4000⁰⁰ in legal services to go to Harrisburg at a P.U.C Hearing to fight the closing of Meyers Road. I was not only fighting the Penn Central R.R. But I got no help from the State - Clearfield County or Morris Twp. (which supported closing the Road.) Penn Dot insisted that a new bridge could not be justified because to meet their specifications - a new bridge at that time would cost over \$450,000⁰⁰

I am not interested in going that route again. I'm told that a bridge will have to be built to re-open this rail line. I expect the same arguments will be used to close my property off from Wallacetown Road again.

I hate the possibility of smelly, disease ridden, rat infested garbage traveling past my farm with the probability of it affecting animals & people not only my farm but all of Morris Twp.