

Dave Navecky STB

Docket # FD35952

395 E. State St. S.W.

Washington DC 20423-0001

Dear Mr. Navecky,

I am writing the proposed GLB
railroad in Winnebago City, IL.

I am a disabled Veteran who served
in the Marine Corp in IRAQ. I am 100%
disabled with PTSD & traumatic brain injury.

I have been looking for a peaceful place
to call home for nearly 3 yrs. In July, 2016
I found that perfect property. Five acres
with a park-like setting. Very peaceful
& away from the hustle & bustle of town
(which noise & activity around me makes
me very anxious & hypervigilant & fearful
of my safety). Two months after I
moved into this perfect place I found
out a proposed railroad wanted to
cut right thru my property, with track
isolating the back 2 1/2 acres that I wouldn't
be able to access & track proposed
approx 100 yards from my house.
I served our country & its freedom

sacrificing myself in the process & now everything I have may be jeopardized. This train would have me on edge constantly.

Enough about me, the other concerns I have are safety - not only for myself & others who's property will be affected But for Emergency Vehicles. The property could close several roads thus affecting response time of Fire-Ambulance & police. This delay & "detours" around the track due to road closures could ultimately affect peoples lives & could contribute to life/death situations.

Next we have farmers who land would be land locked causing to livelihoods being lost!

Winnebago City have numerous Forest Preserves, Natural Land Institutes, protected areas, Marsh Lands that would be disrupted including But Not limited to Niquens Wetlands, Sugar River Forest Preserve, Swenson Dunes,

Sand Prairie Bird Station

We have the largest aquifer here in Northern Winnebago Cty that would be compromised.

In average our wells are approx 30' deep if there was a spill on this rail line our entire water supply would be compromised for hundreds of years.

There are spots also that the proposed line would go thru several miles of "Swamp Land"

The noise, pollution & vibration would disrupt not only human habitat but also our wildlife. All the common country wildlife - Deer, Coons, squirrels etc in addition the geese, blue heron, crane, Eagles. We have alot of Birds that go thru our area in the migration row

I ask you deny this proposal for the sake of everything mentioned above,
Sincerely, Gordon Chalfant

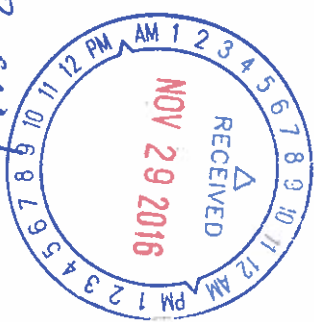
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