



**SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD**  
Section of Environmental Analysis

**DM&E Powder River Basin Expansion Project**  
**Draft Environmental Impact Statement**

**COMMENT SHEET**

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Please provide any comments on the DM&E Powder River Basin Expansion Project Draft EIS.

AS A HOME OWNER IN MANKATO TOWNSHIP I REQUEST THAT YOU DENY  
THE DM&E RAILROAD A PERMIT TO BUILD A NEW RAILROAD WINGTHRU  
MANKATO OR THE SOUTH OF MANKATO. IF THE RAIL ROAD WAS TO CARVE  
UP THE RIVER VALLEY IT WOULD DEVESTATE THE WILDLIFE HABITAT  
WHERE WE LIVE, AS IT IS NOW WE ARE JUST GETTING OVER THE SHOCK  
OF HAVING A NEW BYPASS INSTALLED (Hwy 90) WHICH DRASTICALLY CHANGED  
THE VALLY LANDSCAPE JUST A YEAR AFTER I BUILT MY DREAM  
LOG HOME. THE REASON I CHOSE THIS AREA IS BECAUSE OF THE  
PRESTINE NATURAL BEAUTY AND WILDLIFE HERE, MY FAMILY ALSO LOVES TO  
SKI AND IF A BYPASS IS APPROVED THEY WILL QUITE LIKELY  
SHUT DOWN MT KATO. AS I SEE IT THE DM&E HAS NO REGARD  
FOR THE ENVIRONMENT OR THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE PROPOSED  
LING EXPANSION, THEY ARE MORE CONCERNED ABOUT MAKING THEMSELVES  
RICH AT THE EXPENSE OF WILDLIFE AND RUINING THE QUALITY  
OF LIFE FOR THOSE WHO LIVE IN THE RAILROADS PATH.  
I FEEL I WILL HAVE TO MOVE MY FAMILY OUT OF THE VALLEY  
IF THE "COAL PIPELINE" COMES THRU, ILL HAVE NO CHOICE, I FEEL  
HELPLESS, I HOPE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD WILL  
PLEASE CONSIDER MY PLEA. SINCERLEY GREGG RODVIK

*Gregg Rodvik*

Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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