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RESOLUTION**REGARDING THE GREAT LAKES BASIN RAILROAD PROJECT****Federal Docket No. FD35952**

WHEREAS, The Surface Transportation Board is considering a proposed railroad project submitted by the Great Lakes Basin Railroad and,

WHEREAS, the proposed railroad project includes potential route corridors that would cut across prime farmland in LaSalle County,

WHEREAS, farmland preservation is the focal point of the LaSalle County Comprehensive Plan which includes strategies and goals to protect nonrenewable farmland and natural resources and,

WHEREAS, the proposed railroad project would require condemnation of property for easements, including prime, nonrenewable farmland and,

WHEREAS, the project proposes significant environmental concerns which could result from accidents involving the transportation of hazardous materials and,

WHEREAS, the LaSalle County Comprehensive Plan seeks a road and highway system that is safe, convenient and accessible and,

WHEREAS, the project will have a significant impact on the current system of state county and township roads situated within LaSalle County and,

WHEREAS, the project will negatively impact response time for first responders in our township and,

WHEREAS, the proposed railroad line could result in loss of property value, lost income and development potential of prime farmland, increased crop production time and costs, and unknown impact on general economy and,

WHEREAS, clear, detailed information explaining the perceived needs for the railroad project, route selection process and criteria, and economic benefits to Adams Township with supporting objective studies and cost benefit analysis for each have not been provided to potentially impacted parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that

1. The Adams Township Board opposes the proposed Great Lakes Basin Railroad Project.
2. The Township Clerk is authorized to transmit this resolution to the Surface Transportation Board Office of Environmental Analysis, 395 E. St. SW, Washington D.C. 20423-0001 ATTN> Dave Navecky (Docket No. FD 35952)

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Adams Township Board hereby approves the resolution,

ADOPTED this 9th day of May, 2016.



Tina M Davis
Township Supervisor



Adams Township Clerk

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