

Dear Phillus Johnson Ball:

Once again the people of a community are being asked to give up their freedoms, their health, their homes, their peace, so that a corporation can make some more money. The railroad that is being planned for the financial benefit of Salina City of Utah and the SUFCO Coal Company would severally impact hundreds of innocent families whose homes and safety are being destroyed.

Fortunately there is a proposal for the path of the track, called Plan C which would not affect the lives of the people in the community, but if either plan A or plan B is accepted, the following list of negative impacts will fall on lives of hundreds of people.

1. Cars crossing the tracks in several places along the route.
2. Children who live right by the tracks are in danger of being killed.
3. Dust from the proposed truck dumping spot in Salina will pollute the whole city.
4. The Traffic of trucks through Salina will remain at 1500 per day.
5. The rumbling of the train cars could damage water wells that provide drinking water to the homes the sit near the tracks.
6. The Noise of the train will be destroy the tranquility of the people who moved to these remote places to get away from the noise and traffic.

If plan C, which moves the route of the railroad up on the BLM where there are no homes, were implemented all of these terrible environmental hazards would be removed.

Unfortunately, we know that the City and the Corporation who want this railroad are justifying this evil by claiming that it will reduce truck traffic. But we know the truth, and that truth is that they want to make more money. The quest for money is the root of all evil, and that evil is being perpetrated here in this beautiful, tranquil community.

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