

To Dave Navecky and Surface Transportation Board

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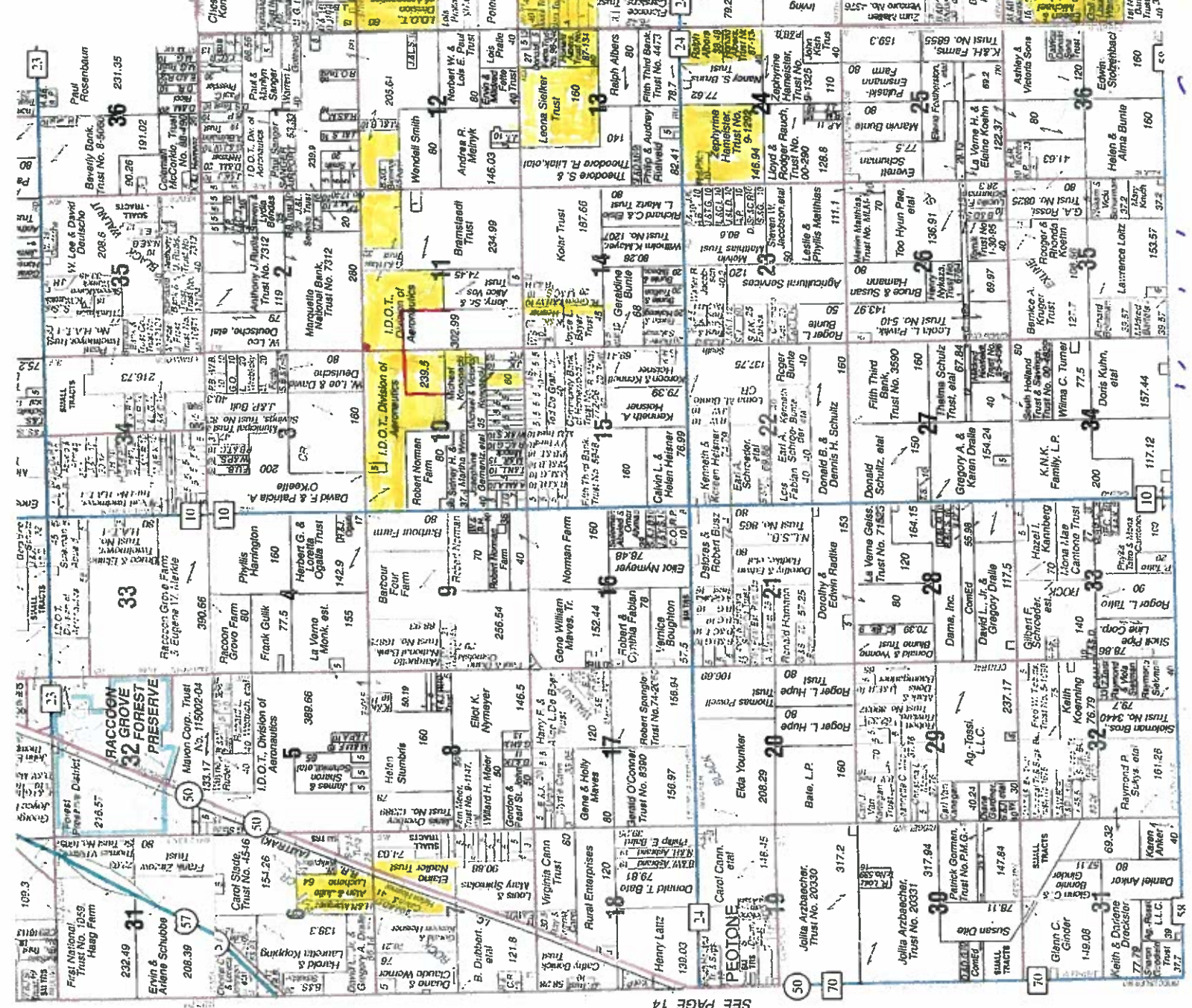
I, Gerald Heisner & my son^{& family} farm 3200 acres in the Manteno-Grant Park-Beecher-Peotone, Ill. area on quadrant. I have been a director for the past 23 yrs. on the Manteno-Whitaker Cooperative Elevator Board. My family are active members of Zion Lutheran Church in N.E. Sumner Township. The church & parsonage sit on land donated by my wives family 140 plus years ago. We still operate that farm owned by my wives family. Our home and farm headquarters is one mile West of Whitaker Elevator on the North side of Manteno-Whitaker road within the proposed railyard site. We operate about 1600 acres in Will County, acres which are immediately North of the proposed Great Lakes Basin railyard site in Northern Sumner Township, Kankakee County. We also farm 1600 acres in Sumner Township. All of our grain production goes to Whitaker Elevator. We always use the north-south Sumner Twp roads to move all of our farm equipment, (busy roads don't work well at all for farm equipment. Between farms and all of our grain goes South to Whitaker Elevator. A 15,000 acre railyard facility would be a huge huge huge huge barrier between us and our Will County farms & Whitaker Elevator besides eliminating much of our acreage in Sumner Township. We have many friends and farming

neighbors that this railroad project would impact in a very negative way. I don't see any positives for our area in any way at all from this project. A great percentage of grain to Whitaker Elevator comes from North of the Elevator. This^{project} would devastate the Elevator. This project needs to be stopped as soon as possible before more taxpayers money is wasted on needless studies.

Thanks for reading my views
& concerns. Gerald Hersner

May 3, 2016

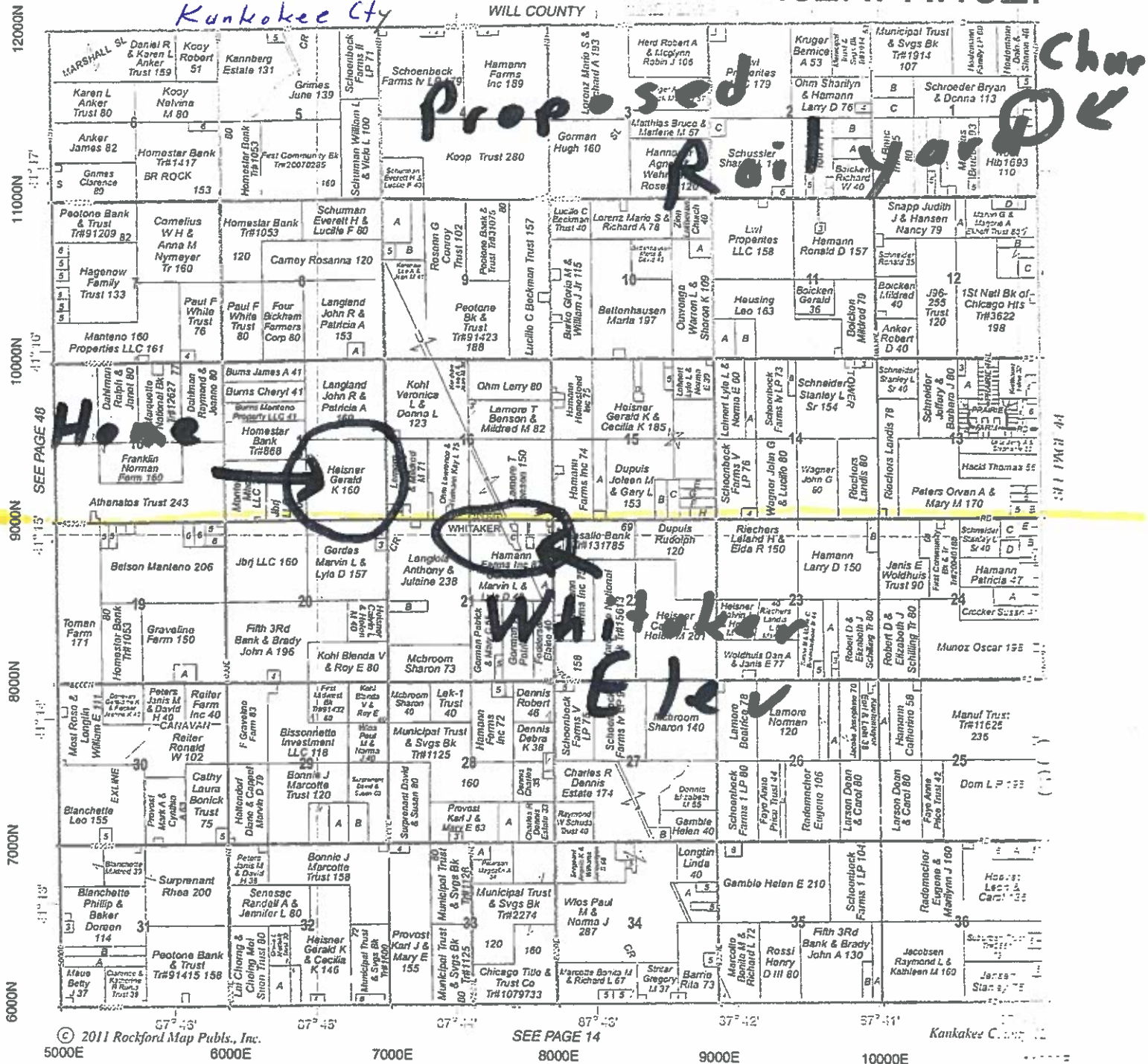
Gerald Heisner
Yellow designates farm
operated in Will County



SUMNER Twp
Kankakee Cty

WILL COUNTY

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SMALL PARCEL INDEX TO OWNERS

7 - 29 acre parcels are keyed by section and letter to the township map page.

Ref.	Name	Acreage	Ref.	Name	Acreage	Ref.	Name	Acreage	Ref.	Name	Acreage
1 A	GRAF WAYNE & SANDRA	23	12D	EKHOF MARSTON & RACHEL	10	21A	HAMANN ROBERT	14	28A	PROVOST WENDELL D	23
1 B	FREDERICK ERNEST G	21	13A	REES RENEE A & PETER P	16	21B	GUMMOND MARK V & CATHERINE S	11	29A	VANDERGRIFT CAROL L	23
1 C	MATTHIAS BRUCE	21	13B	TESZA ERNEST F & NANCY M	7	21C	FARMERS ELEVATOR	7	29B	HUGHES DANIEL & CATHERINE	23
2 A	GREAT BANC TR#3825	20	14A	LEHNERT DAVID L & MICHELLE A	20	23A	VANCHAUS THOMAS & CHERYL	24	31A	NORTH STAR TRUST CO	23
2 B	OHM SHARILYN & HAMANN RONALD D	20	14B	LESZCZYWCZ JOSEPH & STEPHANIE	7	23B	SANCHEZ PRIMMIVO & ELVIA	10	31B	VELD ROBERT	23
2 C	LAUCH STEVEN P & SUSAN B	7	15A	DUPUIS	24	24A	HAMANN CHRISTINE M & JOSHUA G	20	32A	BISSONNETTE INVESTMENT	23
3 A	PIPER TAMARA & WARREN G	7	15B	JULIE M ETINGER TRUST	12	24B	STADT GILBERT JR & GWYNETH	10	32B	RABIDEAU RICHARD S	23
3 B	MUNICIPAL TRUST & SVGS BK TR#1159	29	15C	REDER GEYNE D & RACHEL L	12	24C	OVERBEEK JACK	10	33A	BARRIE CHARLES G	23
3 C	MATTHIAS BRUCE E	25	15D	LESZCZYWCZ JOSEPH	8	24D	STADT GWYNETH & GILBERT	8	34A	FORD MARY A & ROBERT A	23
10A	DE LA TORRE HOE & LA TORRE ROMUA	11	15E	ZIMMERMAN CHERYL & RONALD	8	24E	APPLIED MECHANICAL TECHNOLOGY LLC7	7	35A	JACOBSEN RAYMOND L	23
11A	MCMAHAN DALE E & KARLA A	23	15F	PECKES KEVIN J & KAREN M	8	25A	KUETEMEYER EARL H & LELA C	20	35B	BARRIE RITA	23
11B	LEHNERT LYLE L & NORMA E	20	15G	RODRIGUEZ CHARLENE G & CARLOS P	8	26A	PETIT JANICE A	21	36A	SMITH KATHLEEN S	23
12A	EKHOF MARSHALL & JULIE	20	15H	JOYCE VALERIE CONROY TRUST	7	26B	RADEWACHER EUGENE & MARILYN J	10			
12B	EKHOF MARK & KATHLEEN	20	16A	KANKAKEE COUNTY TRUSTEE	7	27A	KANKAKEE COUNTY TRUSTEE	7			
12C	EKHOF JULIE & HARDALE & JULIE	10	19A	WOOD RIVER PIPE LINES LLC	10	27B	PORTER KENNETH M	7			



Great Lakes Basin Rail Line

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

How Do I Submit Comments?

- **Written Comments:** Complete and submit this form at a public meeting, or mail your comments to the Surface Transportation Board's address at the bottom of this page.
- **Recorded Comments:** Provide your comments to a court reporter at a public meeting.
- **Electronic Comments:** Submit electronic comments by visiting the Surface Transportation Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov, and clicking on the "E-Filing" link and then clicking on "Environmental Comments."

Please refer to Docket No. FD 35952 in all correspondence addressed to the Surface Transportation Board. The comment deadline is May 16, 2016.

Written material and maps are enclosed.

NOTE: When an individual chooses to submit an Environmental Comment or some Other Submissions, his or her personal contact information is considered public information and is shared within and outside of STB without additional authorization.

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Comments may be submitted today or mailed to:

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