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Mr. Navecky:

I would like to express my concerns over the proposed Great Lakes Basin Transportation, LLC rail line project. Docket # 35952.

I oppose the entire project and ask the Surface Transportation Board to deny the proposal.

My concerns are: Derailments with high speed trains will cause toxic chemical spills which will permanently destroy prime farmland and render the soil useless for crop production.

Permanent destruction of prime farmland (Apprx. 6,700 acres: 20 per mile for 270 miles - plus the rail yard proposed for the Manteno area of Kankakee County)

Large fields will be divided in smaller pieces which will decrease productivity

Longer response times for police, fire and ambulance vehicles to respond to emergencies in rural communities due to railroad crossings and township road closures

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