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great lakes basin railroad line

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Dear Mr. Dave Navecky,

Hi, my name is Jason Govert. I am writing you in opposition to the proposed Great Lakes Basin railroad line coming through Laporte County, Indiana. Our address is 4532 west 500 south in Laporte. The proposed line would come right through our backyard on our property line. This is the line that runs to Kingsbury Industrial Plant. There are 3 reasons for opposition for this railroad line.

Number 1: The amount of air and noise pollution we would have to endure would be terrible. We have 3 young children and would not subject them to that. The line would run right through a marsh we have in our backyard which would obviously affect wildlife.

Number 2: We would obviously have to move, which we don't want to. We just built this house 5 years ago and have 325,000 dollars invested in our house and property. Our property value would be destroyed. There would be many, many lawsuits against GLB railroad to recover property values, moving costs, and overall inconveniences.

Number 3: I am not a person who is against progress. The problem is, I see no benefits to anyone but GLB railroad line and it's investors. It's not like this is going to create thousands of good paying jobs. Most of the jobs created would be temporary construction jobs.

There would be many homes affected on the proposed railroad line just in Laporte County alone. You would think with all the dead railroad lines that exist in the county the some of them could be used, or find a much more desolate area to re-route the line.

I hope you take this letter into consideration. Thank you for your time.

With regards,
Jason Govert