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Belvidere Scoping Mtg
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Our land, in southeast Winnebago County, has been in my family's for 35 years. Like our neighbors, we are here because we love the land - the quiet and natural areas, the woods, river & wildlife.

The path of the proposed railroad is about 75 feet from our house & well. It would go through my garden that has been organic for 35 years. It would go through our woods - home to wildlife, wildflowers and many large old hardwood trees: oak, walnut, hickory & cherry. Then it would cross the South Branch of the Kishwaukee on our land near where the Trimble Run creek comes in. The South branch is a beautiful river, one of the highest quality rivers in Illinois.

This railroad would totally disrupt our lives, as well as the lives of many, many others, both human & wild

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