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Surface Transportation Board
Eric Grosh,
Section of Environmental Analysis
1925 K Street NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Received
1/29/07

Re: Finance Docket #34284

Vulcan Materials Co./Southwest Gulf Railroad

Dear Mr. Grosh:

We moved to Medina Co. in 2002 and unknown to us when we purchased, Vulcan Materials had received leases from three (3) landowners to open a quarry, right in the middle of the Edwards Aquifer recharge zone, and next to our property.

Our fight against the quarry started about 7 years ago and the "Medina County Environmental Action Assoc." was formed with approx. 150 families, which we have joined.

Having spent 26 years cruising on a sailboat, we have always been water conscience. So, to move to land and to see the "mess" our water resources are already in and "then" getting ready to dig out "Nature's Filter" (Limestone for cement) just doesn't seem to make sense.

Therefore, we believe that this is the wrong place to put a railroad (and a quarry only dependent of the railroad). The historical and archeological sites will be harmed and the flooding it may cause.

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If the railroad is going to be permitted anyway, Vulcan / SGT should go to less populated and less harmful impact on the environment, with overpasses over the roads that the railroad crosses. Fuel storage and maintenance area should be moved further south.

We are in favor of the route named "ACE AA Nubia Dam route" if a railroad is permitted only.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely ~

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