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Dear Sirs,

My wife & I moved to Quibbi in 1918 with 2 of our 4 children (2 are grown). We have lived here in peace for over 25 years. We know that a rail road will bring with it - noise, dust & dirt (they carry limestone), crossing our only way to San Antonio (FM 2676) and Castroville (Quibbi road - to Castroville), where I worked for 33 years. It will possibly endanger our only water supply - our well - that my wife & I use, but also our cattle by blasting. The road crossings they are trying to pass on the same level - with warning lights at but that could delay EMS, fire trucks & school buses so they should construct ^(bridges) ~~expresses~~ as they said they would but are now backing down. There are a lot of historic homes in the area, my neighbor across the road has had his ranch in the same family for over 100 years - he is of German descent as were the original settlers who came to Quibbi over 100 years ago. There are many homes around the railroad route that are of historic value.

This area is noted for deer hunting and the railroad would certainly impact the wildlife of this area and many people here supplement their income with deer hunters each year.

We do not want a railroad in our Quibbi community.

Respectfully,

Robert M. Reed, Sr.