

92005. US Hwy 66
Gardner IL 60424
May 13, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD 35952

Dear Mr. Navecky,

I ask you **Vote AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.**

I live about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile in Grundy County from the proposed route of the G L B Rail line. A very heavy traveled Country road intersects with this line - meaning the noise of the many trains traveling sounding their horns will cause near constant noise pollution for me and my family.

For this reason I am firmly **AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.**

Sincerely

Helen McCormick



Helen McCormick
9200 S US Highway 66
Gardner, IL 60424-6103

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Dave Navecky, Surface Transportation Board
ATTN docket no. FD 35952
395 E. Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

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9200 S. V.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
May 17, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr. Narecky,

I ask you VoTe AGAINst Docket No.
FD35952.

When the proposed GLB Railline crosses many miles of Grundy County it will cause many Country roads to be Closed. If an accident happens in the country delays for emergency crews to reach it could be disastrous, due to these Closed roads.

For this reason I am firmly AGAINST
Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely,

Helen McCormick



Helen McCormick
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Gardner, IL 60424-6103



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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner 2060424
May 19, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr Navecky,

I am firmly AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.

When the proposed GLB Rail line goes thru Grundy County it will change many of the drainage tile lines. New tile lines are promised to be installed BUT the existing Blocked tile lines are the main tile lines draining our prime farmland resulting in very poor drainage.

For this reason I ask you VOTE AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
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9208 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner IL 60124
May 20, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD 35952

Dear Mr. Narecky,

I am firmly **AGAINST** Docket: No. FD35952

When the proposed GLB Rail line is installed thru Grundy County - it is my concern living less than $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from the line - how will the unused land be used & maintained. Surely invasive weeds will grow in this land and spread to my farm land causing me to use more herbicides to control these weeds.

For this reason I ask you **Vote AGAINST**
Docket no FD35952.

Sincerely,

Helen McCormick

Helen McCormick
9200 S Us Highway 66
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S.U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner IL 60424
May 22, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952.

Dear Mr. Navecky,

I am firmly **AGainst** Docket No. FD35952.

As the construction of the proposed GLB Rail line is done thru Gundy County there will be compaction of our prime farm land by all the heavy construction equipment. No amount of trying to cultivate this soil will bring it back to its original condition.

For this reason I ask you **Vote AGainst** Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely,

Helen Mc Cormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
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Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
May 24, 2016

Subject: Docket FD35952

Dear Mr. Nawecky,

I am firmly AGAINST Docket
No. FD35952.

When the proposed GLB Rail line goes
thru Grundy County it will cause fields to
be made smaller and odd shaped. This will
cause the farmer to make more trips across the
fields to get them planted and harvested thus
causing much unreversed compaction of the fields.

For this reason I ask you VOTE AGAINST
Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely,

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner 2E 60424
May 25, 2016

Subject: Docket No FD35952

Dear Mr Navicky,

I am firmly against Docket No FD35952

When the proposed GLB Rail line goes thru Grundy County it will intersect with a major rail line less than $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from my home. As the many trains intersect with this rail line there will be much noise Contamination as if the train is coming right thru my kitchen.

For this reason I ask you VOTE
AGAINST Docket No. FD35952

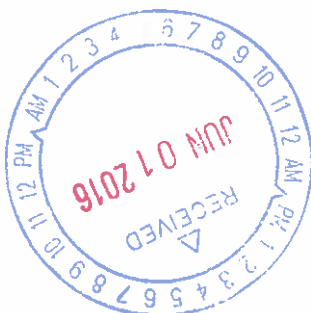
Sincerely

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
May 26, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr. Navecky,

I am firmly AGAINST Docket No.
FD35952

Here in Grundy County as the proposed
Y&O Rail line crosses thru—many of the
country roads will be closed resulting
in that school buses having to travel
many extra miles to pick up our students.
Another expense for our stressed school
system.

I ask you Vote AGAINST Docket
No. FD35952.

Sincerely,

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S.U.S, Hwy 66
Gardner, IL, 60424
May 27, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD 35952

Dear Mr Navecky,

I am firmly AGAINST Docket No FD
35952.

My concern is the Compaction of our
prime farm land as the proposed GLB Rail
line is constructed as it goes thru Grundy
County. No amount of cultivation will ever
reverse the Compaction caused by all the
heavy construction equipment.

For this reason I ask you Vote AGAINST
Docket No. FD 35952

Sincerely,

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. HWY. 66
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. US Hwy 66
Garland TX 75042
May 30, 2016

Subject: Docket No FD35952

Dear Mr Navecky,

I am firmly **AGAINST** Docket No.
FD35952.

My home is located less than $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from the proposed GLB Rail line which intersects with another major rail line this same distance as the line goes thru Grady County. What if there is a derailment at this intersection - toxic fumes will be in my home for sure greatly endangering my family.

For this reason I ask you **VOTE**
AGAINST Docket No. **FD35952.**

Sincerely

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
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Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
May 31, 2014

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr. Narecky,

I am firmly **AGAINST** Docket No. FD35952.

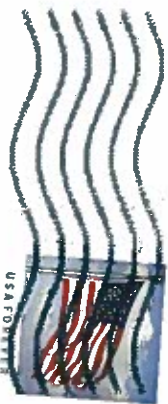
As the proposed GLB Rail line crosses Grundy County it will cause farm fields to be divided. This will result in much compaction of our prime farm land as the farmers attempt to work these smaller fields.

For this reason I ask you **Vote AGAINST** Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely

Helen McCormick

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Gardner, IL 60424



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92008. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner 28 60424
June 1, 2016

Subject: Docket FD 35952

Dear Mr Navecky,

I ask you VOTE AGAINST Docket
No. FD 35952.

When the proposed FLB Rail line crosses
the prime farm land in Grundy County changes
to the field tile lines will take place. The
FLB Rail line may repair these tile line
BUT they will never properly drain
our wonderful farm land.

For this reason I ask you VOTE
AGAINST Docket No. FD 35952.

Sincerely

Helen McCormick



HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60129
June 2, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD 35952.

Dear Mr Navecky,

I am firmly AGAINST Docket No.
FD 35952.

Here in Grundy County when the proposed
GLB Rail line is built it will use 755
acres of our prime farm land being taken
out of production. We here in Illinois
are considered the bread basket of the
U.S. producing much corn and beans on those
lost 755 acres for our increasing needy
population.

For this reason I ask you Vote AGAINST
Docket No. FD 35952.

Sincerely

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
June 3, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr. Narecky,

I ask you Vote AGAINST Docket No.
FD35952.

When the proposed GLB Rail line passes thru Grundy County it will intersect with a major rail line less than $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from my home. The spur line for this intersection will block my lane leading to the main road. A new lane will be longer causing an extra expense for my limited income.

For this reason I ask you Vote
AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely

Helen McCormick



HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 6
Gardner, IL 60424

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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
June 5, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr Navicky

I am firmly AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.

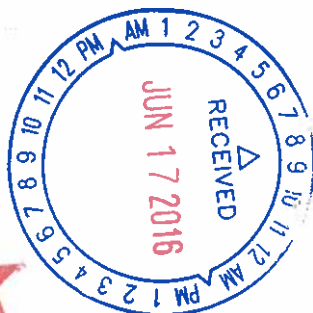
It is my concern as the many tracks of the proposed GLB Rail line will have many trains transporting oil and other chemicals. If there would be a derailment of these trains the contamination to our prime farm land here in Gundy County would be a loss of production of this land for many years.

For this reason I ask you Vote AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely,

Helen Mc Cormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424



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9200 S. US Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
June 6, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr. Narecky,

I ask you **Vote AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.**

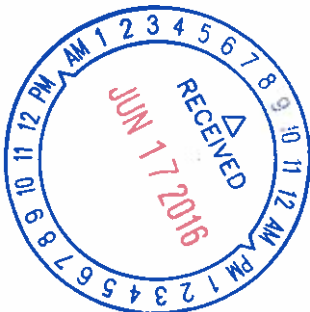
When the GLB Rail line crosses thru Grundy County — many country roads will be closed by the railroad due to all the tracks on the Rail line. The closing of these roads will be an added expense for the farmer to travel miles extra to take his produce to market at harvest time.

For this reason I ask you **Vote AGAINST Docket No. 35952.**

Sincerely

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424



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9200 S. U.S. Hwy 66
Gardner, IL 60424
June 7, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr Navecky,

I am firmly AGAINST Docket No FD35952.

Here in Grundy County when the proposed GLB Rail line is built across the many farms fields our farmers will be forever losers in the deal. They will be spending more money for to work the fields due to all the extra turning required to farm the odd shaped fields.

For this reason I ask you VOTE AGAINST Docket No FD35952.

Sincerely,

Helen McCormick

HELEN MCCORMICK
9200 S U.S. Hwy. 66
Gardner, IL 60424



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92008. U.S. Hwy 66
Hardner Il 60424
June 8, 2016

Subject: Docket No. FD35952

Dear Mr Nawczyk,

I am firmly AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.

I live in Grundy County less than 1/4 mile from where the proposed GEB Rail line intersects with another major rail line. It is my family and my concern what if any precautions will be taken against a derailment at this intersection of the rail lines

For this reason I ask you VOTE AGAINST Docket No. FD35952.

Sincerely

Helen McCormick

Helen McCormick
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Gardner, IL 60424-6103



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PUBLIC CONVENIENCE

- I find no evidence that the proposed GLB Chicago bypass has been identified as a solution to the Chicago bottleneck, a public convenience, or a national transportation priority (as Mr. Patton asserts). It is a business proposal by a for-profit company.
- Due to the fact that the route of the proposed rail will likely change (Mr. Patton's words) people in an area of over 32,220 square miles have lived in uncertainty about the future of their homes, farms and livelihood.
- The potential for unwanted rail - and the use of eminent domain - has increased stress for land and property owners.
- Farm fields divided by the proposed rail will be more difficult and dangerous (due to farm field crossings) to manage. Productivity of the land will decrease due to construction of the rail, odd shaped parcels and increased compaction. Costly irrigation and tiling infrastructure will be damaged and rendered useless.
- Government has spend millions of tax dollars preserving farmland, woodlands and promoting good agricultural practices. Farmers spend thousands of dollars on soil conservation practices. The proposed rail line is counter-productive to these efforts.
- Home and land owners near the proposed rail will see their home and land values reduced.
- GLB intends to be a toll railroad. Investors in this proposed project will have only their own financial interest in mind, not the public convenience.
- Opposition to the proposed project has been overwhelming, seven of eleven counties involved have passed resolutions opposing the GLB rail. Mr. Patton has stated that he will take land by eminent domain if the proposed project is approved.
- The loss of thousands of acres of prime farmland cannot possibly be considered a public convenience. Taking highly productive land out of production for a speculative for-profit project is not in the publics' best interest

The above provided information is what led me to the conclusion that the proposed GLB project is inconsistent with the public convenience and necessity. It was insufficiently vetted before starting the approval process. I respectfully request that the STB cease work on this project. Individually, or as part of a group, I will fight the GLB proposed plan using all options available, including Congress, my vote at the ballot box and the judicial system.

Signature *Helen McCormick*

Name *Helen McCormick*

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City *GARDNER*

State and Zip *IL 60424*

Phone *815-237-8844*

Email



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