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I recently saw where the town of Streator, Illinois is asking that they be considered to have the Great Lakes Basin Project run through them using the existing IR line. This is an excellent proposal, as it eliminates the need for thousands of acres of new farmland to be destroyed, it moves the project to an area that clearly has asked to host it, and if the line is truly needed it should go along existing routes to eliminate as much disruption as possible to the environment and people's ways of life. The current GLBT project clearly seems to not be well thought out as almost daily people write about alternative little used rail lines that could be expanded to host the GLBT project. It makes me wonder, if the public can find these route easily, why can't GLBT and even more telling why do the owners of these lines not want to be a freight by-pass, could it be the bypass is really not needed. TO me it appears that there is no need because if there was a need any of these great alternative routes would be proposed by the owners of those routes, and they would be seeking to be the bypass. Sure is odd how only GLBT seems to think this bypass is a good idea.