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I AM WRITING IN REGARDS TO THE GREAT LAKES RAILROAD PASSING THRU SOUTHERN WISCONSIN. I LIVE AND FARM IN BRADFORD TOWNSHIP AND I AM ON THE CLINTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD. I HAVE SEVERAL CONCERNS.

THE FIRST IS THAT THE RAILROAD WOULD WANDER THRU OUR FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF CLINTON AND BRADFORD TOWNSHIP. IT CROSSES 15 ROADS IN THE DISTRICT. 1 INTERSTATE, 3 STATE ROADS, 3 COUNTY ROADS, AND 8 TOWNSHIP ROADS. IT ALSO CROSSES A BIODIVERSITY PATH, TWO RAILROADS AND A CREEK. OUR FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND EMS COULD BE GREATLY IMPACTED IN MANY WAYS ESPECIALLY RESPONSE TIME AND SAFETY. IN BRADFORD TOWNSHIP WE HAVE TWO BRIDGES OWNED BY A RAILROAD THAT ARE CLOSED AND NEED TO BE REPLACED BUT THE RAILROAD IS DOING NOTHING. COMING NEXT TO ONE OF THESE BRIDGES AND A RAILROAD I CAN SAY THAT RAILROADS ARE NOT GOOD NEIGHBORS.

OUR TOWNSHIP ROADS ARE NOT IN GREAT SHAPE NOW AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILROAD WOULD NOT BE GOOD FOR OUR ROADS AND BRIDGES DUE TO ALL THE HEAVY TRAFFIC.

IN ROCK COUNTY WE WILL LOSE APP. 550 ACRES OF FARM LAND. WATERWAYS, FIELD DRAINAGE AND CONSERVATION PRACTICES WILL BE INTERRUPTED OR COMPLETELY LOST. PEOPLE HAVE PUT A LOT OF TIME AND MONEY INTO THESE SYSTEMS. A LOT OF TIME HAVE BEEN FUNDED AND DESIGNED BY STATE OR FEDERAL AGENCIES.

I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THIS IS A RICH GUY WITH INVESTORS TRYING TO GET RICH. I CAN NOT SEE ONE GOOD THING

I CAN SEE MANY PROBLEMS AND HARSHIPS, NOT JUST NOW
BUT FOREVER FOR THE PEOPLE IN ITS PATH.

I BELIEVE THIS PROPOSED RAILROAD IS NOT NECESSARY
AND IS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PEOPLE
IN WISCONSIN.

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