



Environmental Impact Statement

Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Canadian National Railway Company Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railway Company

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I strongly oppose this acquisition because of the negative effects it will have on many suburbs. I am very concerned that school children in Lake Zurich and Barrington will be at a greater safety risk with the increase in train traffic, and delays in school bus routes will cause problems. Another reason I'm against this acquisition is because the response times of emergency vehicles in Lake Zurich will be compromised. These two reasons alone make this acquisition unacceptable ~~is~~ for the Lake Zurich area. But in addition, further traffic congestion due to the increased train traffic would create further problems, while decreases in home values would together hurt the quality of life in Lake Zurich and Barrington and make these areas more undesirable to live in. Leave the rail routes as they have been for years!

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