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Docket No. FD 35952

Environmental comments

David Navecky

Why does the Great Lakes Basin Transportation, LLC proposed rail line need a fifteen thousand (15,000) acre rail yard in Kankakee County Illinois? The Union Pacific Rail Road is the largest in the United States and their rail yard is twenty-eight hundred fifty (2850) acres. The GLB rail line proposed only 278 miles of track compared with the Union Pacific Rail Road. What do they plan to store there? What will they do there? This seems like an excessive amount of land for such a small railroad. Will the STB investigate this?

How can a project like this be approved without knowing who the investors really are and what the real purpose of this rail line is supposed to be? Aren't they supposed to supply your office with a plan and show purpose and need?

After your comment period has ended and before you render a ruling will you have public meetings so we can hear what you decided based upon our comments and your investigation? I think we should have an opportunity to have input going forward.

After reviewing all of the environmental and economic issues that will be seriously impacted by this proposed rail line, I don't see how your recommendation could be anything other than denial.

Thank you for your consideration. I would appreciate answers from you and your board.

Yours truly,

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