

January 9, 2005



Surface Transportation Board  
Case Control Unit  
Attention: Rini Ghosh  
STB Docket Number FD 34284  
Washington, DC 20423

EI-1327

Dear Rini Ghosh:

I am sending comment regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the proposed Vulcan materials quarry and Southwest Gulf railroad rail line project at Quihi, Medina County, Texas.

The rail line crossing is in a very critical area that includes a flood plain in an historical district. Flooding will be enhanced by the railroad tracks, its roadbed, and the trestle bridge. The historical sites, homes and ranches will suffer a significant impact on the overall environment with large amounts of water, air and noise pollution. This is unacceptable.

Gravel truck traffic, road damage, road construction, train whistles, floodlights, land cuts, land fills and flooding issues are the substantial problems that Quihi residents should not have to endure for the financial benefit of the Vulcan Company. Quihi is a continuously growing community that attracts quiet country living, wildlife, small businesses, farming, and family recreational activities.

I ask that you seriously consider the DEIS carefully and prevent the Vulcan quarry project from destroying Quihi historical sites, homes, ranches, water quality and wildlife.

Respectfully,

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