

How is Naperville Involved

Since the filing of application by CN to the Surface Transportation Board (STB) to acquire control of EJ&EW on October 30, 2007, Naperville has been involved. As increased train traffic presents community challenges and may impact our residents' quality of life, city staff has and will continue to engage in discussions and act on behalf of our residents.

What Naperville staff has done.

- Filed as a Party of Record to the STB. This establishes Naperville as recipients of all official documentation related to the proposed transaction, so that we may remain informed on all activities.
- Filed an opposition to the acquisition as a “minor transaction.” Naperville considers the implications to be significant in nature.
- Submitted comments on the Scope of Study for the Environmental Impact Study. The Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) is the office within the STB that is responsible for directing the environmental review process, conducting the independent analysis of all environmental data, and making an environmental recommendation to the Board. The Board will consider the entire environmental record, including all public comments submitted during the environmental review process, before making a final decision.
- City staff has been fully engaged in related meetings by various agencies throughout the greater Chicagoland region.
- Naperville met with representatives of CN to discuss our concerns on Friday, February 8, 2008.

What's next?

City staff will continue to monitor the acquisition process and participate in all relevant meetings to represent the interests of Naperville and our residents.