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In re: TR-070696

In my opinion, the crossing at Hickox Road should remain open even if the second track is extended.

Best management practices in this case would force residents affected to us two other options, both of which are more dangerous than crossing two sets of tracks with good visibility (Hickox Road Crossing).

One option would be the Stackpole Road. That would require driving the Dike Road, which is a curving road with blind spots in sections. It is icy in winter and seems to attract many bicycler's in the summer. I personally drive the Hickox Road to work every day, even though it is two miles further, because of safety concerns, especially early morning and dusk.

The other option is to drive to Mount Vernon (for drivers that live north of Hickox). This would get us to the Old 99, Blackburn, AND BNSF crossing. This "intersection" involves a street crossing a street at a 45 degree angle while crossing TWO sets of tracks. 'Nuf said about that option.

In conclusion-

1. Extend the rail siding if necessary but
2. Keep the Hickox Road crossing open

Thank you

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