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Summited via email.

Dear Secretary of State

Network Rail (Cambridgeshire Level Crossing Reduction) Order – Crossing number C14 Eastrea Cross Drove

I write to respond to the consultation on the above Order, with particular reference to crossing C14 Eastrea Cross Drove, and the impact the proposals will have on my property.

I farm the land adjacent to the railway line along which a new footpath will be created to accommodate the closure of the crossing to the east. As indicated on the map prepared by Network Rail, a drainage channel runs between the railway line and the proposed footpath. In accordance with the statutory requirements as laid down by the byelaws, no construction is permitted within 9m of a drainage channel. If this proposal to create a footpath is implemented, it will leave my land severed between the footpath and drainage channel. This will be unworkable for modern agricultural practices.

I have not been able to hold constructive discussions with Network Rail or their representatives to discuss what alternative options there might be. I object to this loss of productive agricultural land in this manner and propose that the area between the drainage channel and footpath be purchased by Network Rail and maintained accordingly.

I hope you will give my views full consideration in your deliberation.

Yours sincerely

Mr Martin White

On behalf of Messrs M and N White

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