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From: Jack de Montaignac
Sent: 31 May 2018 12:44
To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Subject: Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order

Dear Sir / Madam

Please take this email as my formal objection to the proposed Rother Valley Steam Railway.

The reasons for this objection are:

- No tangible economic benefit to surrounding area. RVR have also admitted that Robertsbridge would not benefit from this project.
- A total of three new level crossings, one of which will be across the busy A21. This will cause huge disruption to motorists and is contrary to the Government's and Network Rail's policy to remove as many level crossings as possible as they are deemed to be dangerous.
- Flooding risk. Reports show increased flooding potential to properties in and around Robertsbridge and Salehurst. These have not been mitigated.
- Destruction of habitats on Moat farm that have been untouched for decades.
- This is a new railway not a reinstatement as claimed by RVR. The track bed does not exist any longer.
- Noise, smoke and diesel fume pollution from the trains and emissions from cars held up at the level crossings.

Your sincerely

Jack de Montaignac,

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