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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD
Section of Environmental Analysis
Port MacKenzie Rail Extension Project
Environmental Impact Statement

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How Do I Submit Comments?

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I don't see the Big Lake alternative as being either desirable or practical. This alternative crosses too many parcels of private property, crosses several major roads and is the most detrimental to existing residential and recreational land use.

Even if the crossing sites are grade separated there is still too much existing and anticipated development near the point where the alternative rail line meets the existing line near the Parks Highway. This situation flows to improve the Parks Highway - widen it to 4 lanes and re-route it slightly will only make the congestion/compatibility problems worse.

Rail access extending to Port MacKenzie is absolutely essential to grow the economies of the Mat-Su Borough and the State, but the Big Lake alternative is not the way to go.

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