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**Canada Transportation Act Review Secretariat
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To Whom It May Concern,

Enclosed, please find our video submission and supporting documentation directed to the Canada Transportation Act Review Committee.

The video relates our concerns regarding railway traffic through our town, Spences Bridge, BC. Included in the video are the following suggestions we believe would significantly improve the quality of life in our village, a village adversely affected by railway operations in a number of ways.

SUGGESTIONS

1. **Significantly reduce the speed of trains** traveling through Spences Bridge.
2. **Eliminate train horns within town between 10 PM and 6 AM.** (last year, 91 residents of Spences Bridge signed a petition calling for nighttime cessation of train whistles.)
3. **Discontinue compulsory train whistling at the Colvin Road crossing.** Rather, engage engineer discretion.
4. **Disallow train engine idling within town limits** (or, at least where habitations exist).
5. **Disallow rail grinding during night time and during periods of extreme dryness.** (SB is arguably the hottest and driest town in Canada).

6. **Monitor and reduce excessive "squealing"** from poorly maintained rail cars. (This occurs often and can be deafening.)

Thank you for considering our suggestions.

Dwayne Rourke — T Wild

Dwayne Rourke & Teresa Wild

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

1. Email from CN Rail re frequency of trains through Spences Bridge:

Hello Mr. Rourke,

CN runs about 30 to 35 trains a day past Spences Bridge. This number could change according to customer needs.

Thank you and have a safe day,
Louise

CN Public Inquiries

From: postmaster@dwayneedwardrourke.com

Sent: Saturday, August 6, 2011 6:44:21 PM

To: contact@cn.ca

CC:

Subject: How many times a day does a CN train pass by Spences Bridge, BC?

2. Email from CP Rail re number of trains through Spences Bridge:

Hello Dwayne

Thank you for your inquiry. The Canadian Pacific (CP) rail line runs along the eastern side of the river at Spences Bridge, Canadian National (CN) is on the west side. CN can be reached at 1-888-888-5909 or contact@cn.ca if needed.

The CP track averages 35 - 40 freight trains every 24 hrs. CP freight trains operate 24/7, and unlike passenger trains we do not operate by a set schedule, so trains can be expected at any time during the day and night. Please note that the frequency range is only an estimate and may change without notice. For safety and security reasons we do not provide specific train time information to the public.

Kind regards,
Christine Brown

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