

Hello, I'm a resident of Mount Winans and have lived in the community for the last 39 years and so has the CSX railroad. It has been a thorn in our neighborhood since I arrived. May I Digress a moment and tell you what a great little neighborhood we have- Nice friendly little neighborhood, just small enough to feel connected to those around you and large enough to be alone if that's your lifestyle. It has a country feeling, although we're in the city. Now, back to the railroad and our little country setting: What is life like living with CSX? I am glad you asked.

- You hear its rumbling down its tracks 24 hours a day.
- You hear its loud whistling noise waking you up every day between 5 and 6 A.M.
- You hear the roaring noise and smell the engine's oil as it sits stalled on its tracks just beyond your windows 5 or 6 A.M.
- You don't know when you'll have to stop or how long you'll have to wait for it to pass as you travel back and forth from your community.
- The tracks are usually filled with trash. (Have to admit, they have gotten better this past year.)
- Communication has not been good between CSX and the community.
- CONCERNS:
  - A. Surrounded by CSX rails – NO way out if an accident occurs.
  - B. Don't know when CSX is carrying toxic materials.
  - C. Drivers can go around barriers to try to out run the train.
  - D. Several people have died trying to out run the train.
  - E. Not healthy to breathe in fumes coming from the train.
  - F. The community needs a sound barrier to block some of the noise.

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