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Submission: Having grown up when many now rail-abandoned parts of the country could be easily accessed by rail and now living beside the old Sligo Leitrim & Northern Counties Railway line I am very concerned at any possibility of losing remaining rail structures. I make this submission in support of objectives 115(a) and 115(b) of the draft RSES concerning the Sligo-Claremorris and Claremorris-Athenry rail links of the Western Rail Corridor. Their revival, when it must happen, should add greatly to the future social, environmental and economic health of North Connacht. The future of transport in a post petroleum world will demand increased alternative public modes of travel and these links must be available in advance of any possible adverse travel arrangements. The securing of the actual structures and the re-opening of these links are vital for future options.

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