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When oil trains derail we all pay the price. How close are you and your family to a disaster waiting to happen? Use the blast zone map below to find out and take action.

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Oil train explosions and spills threaten millions of Americans. Safety standards lag far behind the massive increase in oil train traffic; now it's time to protect our families. President Obama and Congress must act to take dangerous oil trains off the tracks.

First Name*

Last Name*

Email*

Zip/Postal Code*

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60% of Blast Zone census blocks qualify as Environmental Justice communities
Crude Awakening Network:
170+ groups in the US and Canada
Oil By Rail Protests Are Rippling Nationwide This Weekend

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Railroad tanker cars sit outside a refinery in California. A string of recent accidents in North America has caught industry regulators and officials off guard. Getty Images
Green groups sue DOT over crude oil trains

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Green groups filed a lawsuit against the Department of Transportation (DOT) on Thursday for not responding to calls to ban the use of older rail cars carrying flammable crude oil.

The Sierra Club, ForestEthics, and Earthjustice are suing the DOT after the department didn't respond to a legal petition filed in July
Economics of Pipeline vs. Rail

- **Pipeline (at capacity)**: $3/barrel
- **Rail - Manifest**: $10-$14/barrel
- **Rail - Unit Train**: $8-$11/barrel
- **Pipeline (at capacity) & Barge**: $5-$6/barrel
- **Rail - Manifest**: $16-$20/barrel
- **Rail - Unit Train**: $13-$16/barrel

Map showing the cost of different transportation methods from Hardisty, AB.
25,000,000+

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History of energy consumption in the United States (1776-2012)

- Petroleum
- Natural gas
- Coal
- Nuclear
- Other renewables
- Hydroelectric
- Wood
North Dakota: monthly oil production
thousand barrels per day

Jan-05, Sep-05, May-06, Jan-07, Sep-07, May-08, Jan-09, Sep-09, May-10, Jan-11, Sep-11, May-12

North Dakota Bakken
Other North Dakota
- Emergency Response from train blockages
- Asthma from diesel particulates
- Emissions of carcinogens from pressure relief valves
- Congestion and delayed commutes
- Taxpayers pay the cost for safety upgrades
DOT – 111s in America

On the rails: 92,000 +
Built to new std: 14,000
Removed by emergency order: 1,100

Built to pre-2011 std: 76,900

83%
Should be removed immediately