



July 5, 2006

Ms. Diane O'Keefe  
Illinois Department of Transportation  
201 Center Court  
Schaumburg, IL 60196

RE: Intersection of Routes 14 and 68

Dear Ms. O'Keefe:

The Palatine Park District Board of Commissioners have directed me to inquire of your agency on two of their concerns about the above intersection

1. A Park District resident bicyclist has approached the Board about a bicycle connection with Barrington along or next to the Union Pacific tracks. As you can see by the enclosed map this bike trail has been proposed since 1987 by the Northern Illinois Planning Commission. The above intersection causes a problem of crossing Dundee Road, Rt. 68. The best solution would be an underpass for bicycles. The District would like to take this opportunity to request such an underpass.
2. In 1998 Park District staff met with engineers from your office that were gathering data to design the intersection. The possibility of a pedestrian and horse crossing was discussed. The Park District owns the Palatine Stables and would like to safely access the horse trails in Deer Grove Forest Preserve on the north side of Dundee Road (Rt. 68). The District is requesting an update on this possibility and any improvements to the intersection.

I would be able to meet with you to discuss this within the next two weeks. I can be reached by phone at 847-705-5130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patrick L. Moser".

Patrick L. Moser  
Superintendent of Parks and Planning