



April 12, 2021

Dear Senator Kaine,

The City of Fredericksburg again met with CSX representatives along with Mayfield Civic Association representatives on March 19, 2021. The City asked that CSX offer a written update to the community monthly moving forward, and the April 2021 version of their update is provided at this [link](#).

The City appreciates the increased communication and the willingness of CSX to meet on site, but we continue to object strongly to the stacking of hazardous materials in our community. Fredericksburg's Fire Department continues to monitor daily activity and is reporting weekly to City Management on hazardous tanker car counts on site.

Additionally, the City has access to video footage of the train yard as an additional means to review activity on the rails adjacent to Mayfield. Below is an accounting of weekly counts since February:

Week ending February 26, 2021	23
Week ending March 5, 2021	30
Week ending March 11, 2021	42
Week ending March 19, 2021	85
Week ending March 26, 2021	60
Week ending April 1, 2021	20
Week ending April 9, 2021	39

The City remains steadfast in its opposition to storage (even if less than 48 hours allowed for under federal statute) of this hazardous material in our community. We are asking your assistance in pursuing federal intervention that leads to alternative storage of hazardous materials further away from our residential areas.

See this [link](#) for further background information. Additionally, you will see the attached Council resolution on this matter and a visual detailing the precarious 130 feet that these hazardous tanker rail cars sit from some of our residences.

Sincerely,

Mary Katherine Greenlaw
Mayor

Charlie "Chuck" Frye, Jr.
Vice-Mayor