

# Nine miles of track. Endless opportunity.

**Creating Jobs** 

**Investing In Our Future** 

**Strengthening Our Communities** 

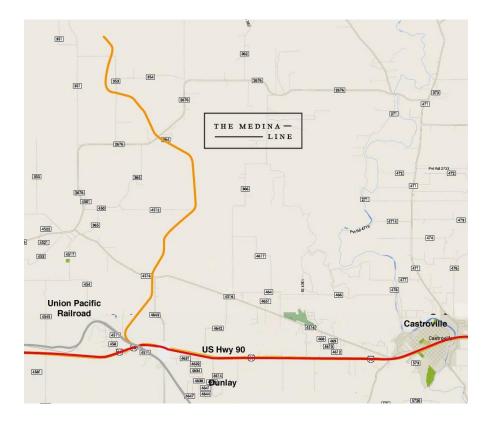
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The Medina Line is a catalyst for new jobs & long term economic opportunity for our community.

With the U.S. economy recovering and given the underlying strength of the Texas economy, The Medina Line is a unique opportunity for Medina County to tap into economic growth.



## **Bringing Jobs and Opportunity to Medina County**



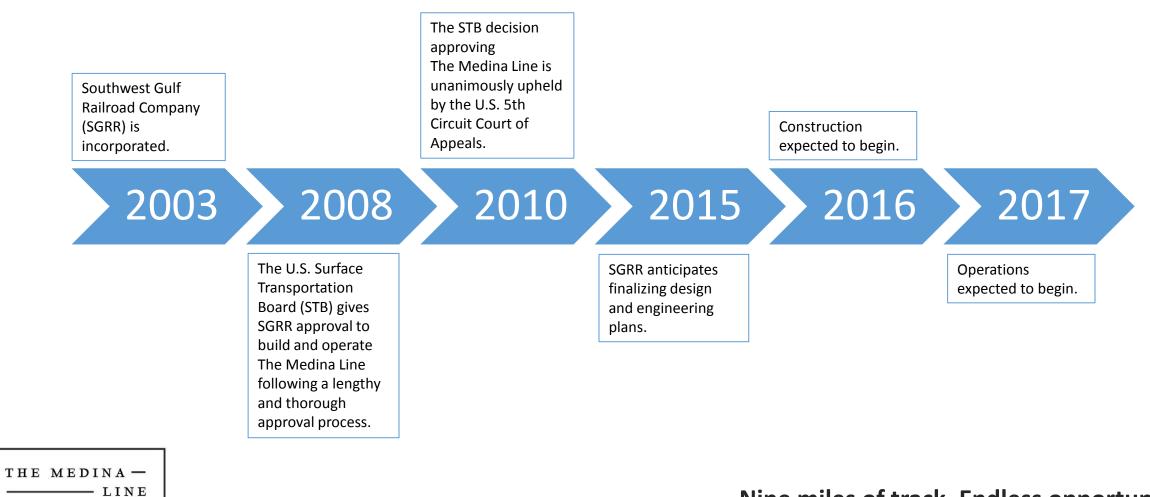
In 2008, the U.S. Surface Transportation Board granted Southwest Gulf Railroad Company (SGRR) the authority to build and operate The Medina Line, a 9-mile single-track common carrier railroad near Dunlay, Texas. The Medina Line will:

- Operate as a common carrier rail line serving customers located on or near the line.
- Strategically connect the area to North American markets by tapping into Union Pacific Railroad, the nation's largest freight railroad connecting the West Coast to the Midwest across America's heartland.
- Generate new tax revenues for vital government services, including road construction and maintenance, schools, and public safety.

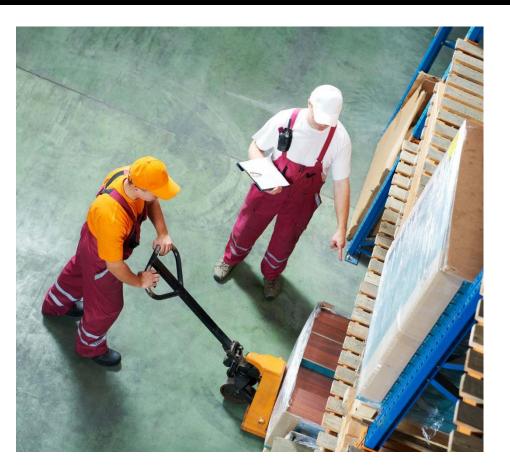
A safe and efficient transportation link, the line's initial anchor customer will be The Medina Quarry, an existing limestone quarry at the northern end of the line operated by SGRR parent Vulcan Materials Company.



#### **Project Timeline**



## **Fueling Jobs & Opportunity**



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SGRR is committed to fueling new jobs and opportunity for Medina County and its residents.

- Generating new tax revenues for vital government services, including road construction and maintenance, schools, and public safety.
- Creating approximately 200 construction, engineering and operations jobs over a 2-year period.
- Supporting new jobs through businesses that locate on or near the line.
- Strengthening transportation infrastructure to help Medina County attract new employers.



#### **Protecting the Environment**

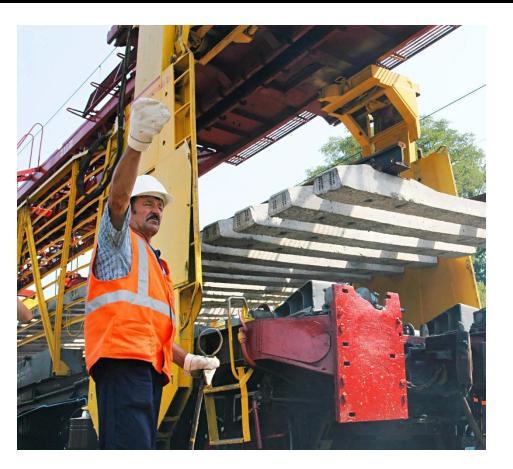


SGRR is committed to operating The Medina Line in an environmentally responsible manner in strict accordance with Federal Railroad Administration standards:

- A key requirement of authorization by the U.S. Surface Transportation Board was a rigorous and thorough environmental review.
- Design, construction and operation of The Medina Line will include 91 mitigation measures from the U.S. Surface Transportation Board's Final Environmental Impact Statement which addresses factors such as biological and cultural resources, water, noise and air quality, and safety.
- Did you know? On average, trains are four times more fuel efficient than trucks.



#### **Dedicated to Safety**



SGRR is committed to designing, building and operating The Medina Line in a safe and responsible manner in strict accordance with Federal Railroad Administration safety standards and recommendations:

- Unit trains are expected to travel at an average speed of 20-25 mph and clear road crossings in approximately 3 to 4 minutes.
- SGRR will consult with TxDOT, Medina County, FEMA and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers among others to ensure all road and flood plain crossings will comply with public safety requirements.
- Road grade crossings will be built and maintained according to TxDOT regulations, including electric warning signals, gates and signage at CR4516 and FM2676.



#### **Strengthening Our Communities**



SGRR is committed to being a responsible neighbor and to working constructively with local officials and residents for the benefit of Medina County. We will:

- Provide a Community Liaison to foster positive open communications with the community.
- Maintain a 24/7 community feedback line to respond to questions or concerns and host a project website for community members to provide feedback.
- Partner with community schools, civic and charitable organizations.



#### **Connecting Medina County to North America**



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The Medina Line will efficiently transport goods to anywhere in North America with dependable, scheduled service.

- A new connection to North American markets that taps into Union Pacific Railroad, the nation's largest freight railroad connecting the West Coast to the Midwest across America's heartland.
- A low-cost and convenient connection for businesses to the regional, national, and global marketplace.
- An opportunity for businesses to locate on or near The Medina Line.

Development opportunities are available on or near The Medina Line. SGRR and Union Pacific Railroad are working together to actively market development opportunities.

Southwest Gulf Railroad Company is committed to providing value to our customers and the communities we serve by operating in a safe, reliable, and environmentally responsible manner.

#### Stay in Touch

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734 18th Street Hondo, TX 78861-1919 Fax: (830) 584-0670 Southwest Gulf Railroad Company (SGRR) is a short line railroad company keeping local communities connected to the national rail network through America's heartland. We provide local business customers access to the regional, national and global marketplace through low-cost and convenient transportation solutions.

Incorporated in 2003, SGRR is a subsidiary of Vulcan Materials Company, the nation's largest producer of construction aggregates and a major producer of other construction materials.

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