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(S.D.)- SD Says Railroad Hasn't Spent Promised Funds

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South Dakota officials say Canadian Pacific Railway hasn't spent a promised \$472 million to improve a rail system that includes the only direct east-west line that serves western South Dakota.

Canadian Pacific disputes the state's claims and says it has met financial obligations for the line.

The Rapid City Journal reports that Gov. Dennis Daugaard met in Washington, D.C. on Thursday with the secretary of transportation, the secretary of agriculture and the Federal Railroad Administration to ask the agencies to support his efforts to have the company disclose its investments.

South Dakota officials also fear the railroad will sell the section of the line that runs through the state, which officials claim would make it more difficult to ship products.

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