

To the Hon. Cass Johnson

Post Master General of the United States

The undersigned petitioners citizens of Williams Co Ohio and Hillsdale Co Michigan would respectfully represent to your Honorable self that a weekly mail route from Bryan Ohio by way of Jeffersons crossroads Morris & Rowland, ~~to~~ Hillsdale Michigan is very much needed that it would afford mail facilities to a large portion of inhabitants who are now deprived of mail communications and that they believe that the increased amount of patronage would be sufficient to satisfy the establishment of such a route. The present route from Bryan Ohio to Hillsdale Michigan by way of Montpelier Spring Lake North West and Cassden runs at a distance west of the proposed route varying from five to thirteen miles while the route running from Defiance Ohio to Adrian Michigan runs east from the proposed route at a distance varying from eight to twelve miles leaving a large extent of territory and quite a numerous population without the means of a north and south route. They would further represent that the extent of the proposed route from Bryan to Hillsdale is about thirty four miles. Hoping the Department will hear their petition the undersigned will ever pray.

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