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Thank you for your comment, John Blaylock.

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Comment Submitted:  
Sir,

I strongly support the West-Wide Energy Corridors as mandated by the Energy Policy Act of 2005. Our country has an energy problem that is best addressed by increasing our supplies of energy, (especially fossil-fuel and nuclear), building new refineries, and improving the distribution of energy as spelled out in Section 368 of this legislation.

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Thank you.

John Blaylock  
Los Alamos, NM

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Thank you for your comment, Matthew Shake.

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Being that I am a fifth-generation Westerner and that I have a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Utah, I consider myself pretty knowledgeable about the history of this land. The proposal detailed in the West-Wide Energy Corridor Environmental Impact Statement makes clear to me two things. First, that nothing has changed. The West still continues to suffer from the imperialism of the federal government. Our history has consistently been one of political exploitation of the west by the power brokers back east. In particular the West has been used as a source of cheap labor and plentiful natural resources to feed the gluttonous addictions harbored most of all by the D.C. raj.

The second thing that I fully understand now is the gratuitous failure of the leaders in our federal government to lead with foresight or courage. Creating thousands of miles of *new* energy corridors across the West in order to accommodate *additional* energy transport facilities is a result of two things—greed and folly. In a time when all signs point to the need for simplification, conservation, and local economics over complication, excess, and economies of scale it is unfathomable that our government could be more wrongheaded about anything.

In a world where threats to US security are literally fueled by extremely destructive economic modes inspired by American systems (Iranian nuclear power, pioneered by America and others; Chinese exploitation of massive oil markets, pioneered by America and others) why would we continue modeling these destructive behaviors for others? Furthermore, in a world of global warming why would we fund a system that will just compound the world-wide global warming crisis? Don't we realize, as the CIA has acknowledged, that further global warming has negative implications for world military stability? The root of our foreign policy problems lies in our unquenchable thirst for world markets, especially energy markets. Conservation and creativity must receive government support; not waste, destruction, and the status quo.

In conclusion, I believe the government must scrap the ideas generated from the Energy Policy Act of 2005 due to shabby logic. The government's logic says that if the nation grows in the future, then the nation must be fed more and more to keep it happy. But I posit that precisely *because* the government keeps stuffing bad energy policy down our throats, we continue to grow...and grow...and grow until we have lost our fitness. It is no wonder this is an obese nation. Some of us have grown fat at the expense of others. Well now is the time to change that historical trend. I urge all concerned citizens to resist the logic of the West-Wide Energy Corridor.

Sincerely,

Matt Shake

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Thank you for your comment, Laura & Ernie Gu lovsen.

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Comment Submitted:

As frequent visitors to The Big Morango Canyon Preserve we want to let you know how upset we are to see the unnecessary disruptions to this precious area. Talk about "Corporate Welfare" at the expense of the citizens who pay the taxes. We do not agree this is the best route and you (our government officials) have the responsibility to protect and preserve these lands for future generations. Do what is right, please.

50202-001

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Thank you for your comment, Chris Asquith.

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Comment Date: January 30, 2008 10:57:03AM CDT

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Draft Comment: WVECD50203

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Comment Submitted:  
26,800 acres of Johnson Valley OHV are will be affected by this. Why isn't land designated for non-OHV use being used? By putting wind generators, there will be access roads created, constant traffic, and the land designated as multi-use will become single use. Who voted for this? What is the environmental impact for the wildlife there? Seems very selfish to me.

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I am a law abiding citizen that pays taxes and lives in California. I am an avid desert racer that I and my family spend much time enjoying the desert almost every weekend. Over the course of many years there is a deterioration of usable land for our sport which continues to grow. More and more pressure is placed on smaller and smaller land. Then there is the weekend families that do not participate in sanctioned sporting events that due to ever closing areas are forced to also use the same land.

I am not an advocate of reducing any more area and would be a proponent of opening up other land use areas for ease of use for both the land and people who wish to enjoy their recreational activities.

I am not opposed to creating alternate sources of energy but would require at least equal amount of lost land in this area to be offset with opening up in another area to continue with our freedom of choice in how we spend our recreational time.

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Thank you for your comment, Robin Williams.

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Comment Date: January 30, 2008 11:46:07AM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

Please consider the off road community as a large and vital force. The amount of public lands available to the off road community is dwindling fast and you are now proposing to take more away in a prime location for us. I want my kids to be able to enjoy the open land and the recreation they enjoy now, when they are adults. Please do not take any more land away from the public for this purpose.

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Thank you for your comment, Richard Williams.

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Comment Submitted:

Please reconsider this proposal to take away more than 26,000 acres from our few recreation areas left. The off road community has a right to these areas as much as anyone and it is not right to take away more land for this purpose. These are public lands, set forth for the "public" to enjoy. Our enjoyment comes from using the lands for off road purposes and should not be limited more in the open areas to enjoy it. Thank You.

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Thank you for your comment, Joel Leguina.

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Comment Submitted:  
Please try to understand there's many other areas that can provide for this energy corridor .We need to keep what is already a recreational ohv area for our families to enjoy and protect.

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thank you ,

Joel Leguina

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Thank you for your comment, Michael UpdeGraff.

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Comment Submitted:

I am a law abiding citizen that pays taxes and lives in California. I am an avid desert racer that spends much time enjoying the desert. I am out almost there nearly every weekend. Over the span of many years there has been a dramatic decline in usable land for our sport which continues to grow. More and more pressure is placed on smaller and smaller recreation areas. Then there are the weekend families that do not participate in sanctioned sporting events that due to ever closing areas are forced to also use the same land. This is not only less fun for the family wanting to "get away", it is also dangerous.

I am not an advocate of reducing any more areas and would be a proponent of opening up other land use areas for ease of use for both the land and people who wish to enjoy their legal recreational activities.

I am not opposed to creating alternate sources of energy. I am opposed to closing areas that are now legal to ride in to construct, maintain, or do research on alternate energy sources.

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Thank you for your comment, Judy Brannen.

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**Comment Submitted:**

Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment in Ontario, Ca 1-10-08. I am attaching my comments and hope attachment is received Ok. I had to reduce my statement to comply with the 3 minute time frame. Therefo i tried to alter the attachment to be consistent with what I presented. At the end when additional time was provided thankd you for the opportunity and commented that it had been a long week for you and a long several months for us and that I think if the towers were erected in your yard you would be doing the same thing.

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Good evening,

My name is Judy Brannen, I AM A MEMBER OF THE CDC and I live in the Pipes Canyon area of Pioneertown. We are under attack from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. THEIR GREENPATH NORTH PROJECT WILL FOREVER DESECRATE THE BEAUTIFUL, UNIQUE AND FRAGILE MOJAVE DESERT.

GREENPATH NORTH HAS BEEN ON THE BOOKS FOR A VERY LONG TIME BEFORE AREA RESIDENT'S, THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO AND THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY BECAME AWARE OF IT.

LADWP HAS BEEN CLANDESTINE AND SECRETIVE ABOUT THEIR INVOLVEMENT. IT WAS NOT UNTIL AUGUST OF 2007 THAT I BECAME AWARE OF THE MARKER SET IN CEMENT WITH LADWP AND THE NAME CATHERINE STAMPED ON IT.. THIS MARKER IS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHIN 1 MILE OF WHERE I LIVE AND WAS SET WITHOUT OWNER'S KNOWLEDGE.

I'D LIKE TO PAINT YOU A MENTAL PICTURE OF WHAT WE HAVE AND WHY WE ARE SO PASSIONATE ABOUT PROTECTING IT.

SUBSEQUENT MARKER FINDS INDICATE A ROUTE THAT BISECTS THE BIG MORONGO CANYON AND PIPES CANYON PRESERVES, AS WELL AS HISTORIC PIONEERTOWN,. IT CONTINUES THROUGH FLAMINGO HEIGHTS, JOHNSON VALLEY, LUCERNE VALLEY AND PURPORTEDLY ENDS IN HESPERIA. THESE AREAS ARE HOME TO WILDLIFE AND PLANTS, NATIVE AMERICAN PETROGLYPHS, FLAT TOP BUTTES, NATURAL SPRINGS AND THE JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK. PEOPLE COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD TO VIEW THE MAJESTIC JOSHUA TREES AND ENJOY MANY SPECIES OF BIRDS COMING TO THE BIG MORONGO CANYON PRESERVE. THE FIRST TIME I VISITED IN 1983 I WAS IN AWE AT CATTAILS GROWING TALLER THAN ME IN THE MIDDLE OF THE DESERT!

THESE ARE SOME OF THE MANY TREASURES THAT RESIDENTS OF THE MORONGO BASIN SO INTENSELY VALUE.

AS A LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER, RETIRED, WITH 30 YEARS IN THE INDUSTRY I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE JUST A MOMENT TO ADDRESS THE EFFECTS GPN WOULD HAVE ON PROPERTY VALUES. FIRST, PRIVATE PROPERTY THAT LIES IN THE PATH WILL PROBABLY BE THE SUBJECT OF EMINENT DOMAIN!

REGARDLESS OF ANY MONEY THE OWNERS RECEIVE THERE IS NEVER ADEQUATE COMPENSATION FOR THE SEIZING OF ONE'S QUALITY OF LIFE.

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THE RURAL AREAS OF THE MORONGO BASIN ARE INHABITED BY THOSE OF US WHO LIVE DIFFERENTLY THAN FOLKS IN THE CITY. WE HAVE HORSES AND OTHER DOMESTIC ANIMALS. WE RESPECT ALL CRITTERS INCLUDING SNAKES, COYOTES AND BOB CATS, AS WELL AS NATIVE VEGETATION.

WE HIKE, EXPLORE, RIDE HORSEBACK, ENJOY NIGHT SKIES, WILDFLOWERS AND TAKE LOTS OF PHOTOGRAPHS. YOU CANNOT PUT A PRICE ON ONES QUALITY OF LIFE.

BUT LETS TALK PRICE!! IF **YOU** OWN A HOME ADJACENT TO THE PROPOSED POWER LINE I PROMISE YOU YOUR HOME WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO SELL. INSTEAD OF A LOVELY MOUNTAIN VIEW OUT THE WINDOW...THE SIGHT OF... UNSIGHTLY MONSTROUS TOWERS WILL HAVE A VERY NEGATIVE AFFECT!! THEREFOR HOPE OF SELLING WOULD REQUIRE DRASTIC PRICE REDUCTIONS IN THE HOPES OF COMPENSATING A BUYER ENOUGH TO ENTICE THEM TO BUY YOUR HOME.

NOW...PLEASE...THINK LIKE A BUYER. YOU ARE IN MY CAR AND WE ARE HEADED TO RANCH COUNTRY. AHEAD YOU SEE THE REAL ESTATE SIGN ON THE HOME RIGHT NEXT TO THE PATH OF THE HUGE POWER LINES. HOW DO YOU REACT? DO YOU WORRY ABOUT THE FIRE HAZARD AND FIRE INSURANCE COST? (7 OF THE OCTOBER 2007 CALIFORNIA FIRES WERE REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY DOWNED POWER LINES.) ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT HEALTH RISKS SUCH AS CANCER AFFECTING YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN? (THE HEALTH RISKS ATTRIBUTED TO LIVING IN THE PROXIMATY ARE STILL BEING DEBATED) WOULD **YOU** TAKE THE RISK? OR WOULD YOU PREFER TO LIVE ELSEWHERE? PERHAPS YOU WOULD SIMPLY REFUSE TO GET OUT OF THE CAR.

WE HAVE BEEN TOLD FOR DECADES THAT WE NEED TO DO OUR PART TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. OVER THE YEARS WE HAVE BECOME STEWARDS OF THE LANDAND PROTECTORS OF PLANTS AND CRITTERS SUCH AS THE DESERT TORTOISE AND EVEN THE KANGAROO RAT!

I THINK ALL OF US RECOGNIZE THE NEED FOR STATE OF THE ART RENEWABLE TRULY GREEN ENERGY. CALLING GREENPATH NORTH GREEN IS DECEITFUL. IT IS ANYTHING BUT GREEN. WE HAVE RECOVERED FROM DEVASTATING WILDFIRES AND SURVIVED A 7.5 EARTH QUAKE IN 1992. WE WOULD NEVER SURVIVE THE DAMAGES ATTRIBUTED TO GPN. **PLEASE** SEE THAT THE CORRIDOR GPN IS PLANNING NEVER GETS ON THE MAP AND PLEASE, PLEASE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO EXPAND EXISTING CORRIDORS AND ACTIVELY PROMOTE CONSERVATION.

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Comment Submitted:

Over the last 25 years I have seen off highway vehicle recreation targeted by a myriad of environmental groups and government entities and succumb to requests of "anti-OHV'rs" without much substantive scientific merit. While admittedly there may be areas where OHV should not occur due to the narrow endemic nature of the habitat. But restricting access entirely is not the answer. Unfortunately, all too many times legal OHV areas are sacrificed as a mitigation for other projects and programs, which ultimately places an undue burden on the segment of the population that is not adequately represented to speak out over the unfair treatment of these "land grabs". As areas that are currently designated as multi-use inclusive of OHV recreation, are often taken for conservation mitigation, never has a new OHV recreation area been added to what was lost. Several historical routes were lost in the WEMO and NECO Plans which were to accomodate certain approved routes. If additional OHV recreation area are closed for this proposed project or its alternatives, replacement area of similar or better quality for the OHV recreation experience as determined by a committee of experts in the field of OHV recreation and environmental experts should be provided. While the energy needs in this country are primarily focuses on fossil fuels, and I support an alternative to fossil fuels, I don't think that elimination of recreational opportunities in a segment of the population is fair as proposed. If impacts to these OHV recreational areas occur, mitigate like you would for any other sensitive resource.

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The OHV recreational community would support a project that would benefit both California Parks goals of expanding recreational opportunities as well as encourage the use of alternative fuels.

50210-002

If it is determined that there are overriding considerations for this project, think of the consequence for decreasing an area already restricted with an ever increasing population seeking legal OHV areas. It would only encourage illegal OHV and cost the taxpayer more enforcement and restoration funding. Reopen routes approved in the NECO and WEMO plans that were overlain with designations of Area of Critical Concern or allow them to be redesignated, or share areas developed by the proposed project.

50210-003

Furhtermore, the maps provided in the document area are at a scale that is difficult to determine specific boundaries of impact areas.

50210-004

Development mitigation plans need to include OHV replacement areas that serve a similar or

50210-005

better function and value to the OHV recreationalist, all the while protection the remaining sensitive resources. While it is a difficult task to evaluate these issues, with the appropriate staff and willingness a successful project could result. I would encourage and support further review of these matters and appreciate the opportunity to comment on a project that meets all parties concerns.

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Thank you for your comment, Rachel Carroll.

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Comment Submitted:  
I urge that the Western Energy Corridor not be designated for future use for oil, gas, and hydrogen pipelines and electricity transmission and distribution facilities.

The project would scar Montana's public lands forever in a manner that would cause permanent impacts to environmental quality, agriculture, and cultural values. Some of the areas this corridor could effect are precious natural environments that I have hiked and visually enjoyed my whole life.

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Also, if the source of the energy being carried in the lines is coal we can expect that this is not an acceptable source for many West Coast states that require/will require renewable energy sources.

I urge that Montana begin to focus on sustaining our own energy needs through renewable sources and not enable dirty energy, like coal, to dominate our options. I believe that the corridor would further enable non-renewable energy source exploration and development and the environmental impact it would have would make it an unjustifiable designation.

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Thank you for your comment, matt davis.

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Comment Submitted:

I'm not sure any person will read this but i'd like to comment in any case. I'm an avid dirtbike rider, hiker, all around desert person. I heard about the energy plan that may be undertaken using BLM land. Although I am a major proponent of alternative energy sources, I'm rather afraid of the loss of BLM land and my riding areas that this project will certainly make happen.

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I commute to work by bicycle everyday. In fact, I use my bicycle whenever and where ever possible for trips and errands around my town of Ridgecrest. I often think about how we use energy in this country, especially in Southern California. With our growing population and limited natural resource (water, power), the obvious thought is how can we get more power. But it is also true, that if we save power, there will be more to use by everyone. So why not have initiative of conservation?

50212-002

I would hate to see that my riding and hiking area have been closed off in order to have a wind farm there, to support the folks in the a city like LA, where people will run there HVAC 24/7, 365 of the year.

Will we really get enough power from a windfarm to be worth the price.

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Comment Date: January 30, 2008 05:30:17PM CDT

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Draft Comment: WVEC50213

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State: NM  
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Country: USA  
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Comment Submitted:  
Please do not proceed with the energy corridor planned for the western us. With available wind and solar technology and energy conservation we should meet our energy demands. I strongly oppose thhis proposal due to the distruction it will certainly cause to life in the region.

50213-001

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**Subject:** Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS Comment WVECD50214

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Thank you for your comment, susan delles.

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Comment Date: January 30, 2008 06:04:27PM CDT

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Draft Comment: WVECD50214

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Westside Energy corridor Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement(DPEIS)  
October 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept the following comments:

- 1. Rework the plan to include **renewable energy sources** such as wind and solar before so much land is sacrificed for gas pipelines and other non renewal resources. 50214-001
- 2. **Maps for the Western Oregon Corridor 4-247** were very hard to read.
  - A. It would have been better to break them down into counties and use a grid with specific locations (Range, TWP, and Section) with BLM and other land ownership clearly marked. Colors used were not adequate to distinguish various landowners.
  - B. Streams and Rivers and smaller cities should be clearly marked. 50214-002
  - C. Major roads other than Interstates should be clearly marked.
  - D. Connect the dots where the corridor will go with a different color.
  - E. It was not clear if 4-249 is the Natural Gas Pipeline coming from Coos Bay of if this corridor is in addition to that. If it is in addition please delineate clearly where each will go by Range, TWP, and Section.
- 3. **Impact to Evans Creek Watershed**
- 4. I live in Evans Creek Watershed. It looks as though this corridor will cross Evans Creek over BLM land at some point. There is currently a large power line in the area. It was not clear if this power line will be extended south or if the Natural Gas Pipeline will go through near the power line. The WOPR BLM DEIS document indicate the gas pipeline going near or through the same area. Without knowing exact planned locations of these structures, there is no way to properly assess the project. If private land is to be taken for this purpose, every land owner should have been notified by the date this document was submitted for public comment. Where will the dots be connected? Let's see the whole picture. 50214-003
- 5. **The legality** of this project has not yet been tested in the courts. The project will have a huge impact on our local region and more detailed easy to read information should be made available to the public. 50214-004
- 6. **Impacts on Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument and Siskiyou Crest**  
I wish to thank the federal agencies for rerouting the corridor around Cascade Siskiyou National Monument. However, the Siskiyou Crest is an equally important sensitive biological corridor that the monument was meant to protect and enhance. This area, with its unique geology hosts flora and fauna found nowhere else in the world. It is already diminished by Interstate 5 which contributes a negative ecological impact. 50214-005

**7. Other Biologically Sensitive Areas**

A. Horseshoe Wildlife Area in California is considered by hunters and Wildlife biologists to be the best of the last deer winter range in the area.

50214-007

B. Jenny Creek Falls is a BLM Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)

**8. Klamath Dam Substation**

Making the Klamath River Dam a substation for 4-247 has a possibility of connecting to a dam that might be dismantled to protect salmon runs. The re-licensing process is now being negotiated and the courts will decide the outcome.

50214-008

**9. Private Property Rights/Impacts on the Rogue Valley**

This is a private property rights issue on a very large scale. Private land should not be considered without the willing owner's consent and a compensation of **realistic** property value worth. The Rogue Valley does not need this. The risk of accidents from a natural gas pipeline are huge. People move to this area for the natural beauty and quality of life found here. Visitors come from all over the world to enjoy these natural resources. Please site this somewhere else or better yet, not at all.

50214-009

**10. Few Public Meetings**

I object to the fact that only two public meetings have been held in this state-one in Portland and one in Shady Cove. I could not attend either of them and comments are due 2/14/08.

50214-010

I submit these comments under clear protest of how this entire process is being handled. You are clearly trying to push something through as fast and with as little input as possible that is not in the best interests of anybody but a few people and corporations that will make large sums of money to the detriment of everyone else.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know that you have received this communication-hard copy to follow.

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Thank you for your comment, Mike Hamilton.

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Comment Date: January 30, 2008 09:36:33PM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50215

First Name: Mike  
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Comment Submitted:

I am a law abiding citizen that pays taxes and lives in California. I am an avid desert racer that I and my family spend much time enjoying the desert almost every weekend. Over the course of many years there is a deterioration of usable land for our sport which continues to grow. More and more pressure is placed on smaller and smaller land. Then there are the weekend families that do not participate in sanctioned sporting events that due to ever closing areas are forced to also use the same land.

I am not an advocate of reducing any more area and would be a proponent of opening up other land use areas for ease of use for both the land and people who wish to enjoy their recreational activities.

I am not opposed to creating alternate sources of energy but would require at least equal amount of lost land in this area to be offset with opening up in another area to continue with our freedom of choice in how we spend our recreational time.

50215-001

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**Subject:** Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS Comment WVEC50216

Thank you for your comment, Henry Swayze.

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Comment Date: January 30, 2008 09:47:48PM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50216

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Comment Submitted:

Overhead power transmission lines are the least desirable solution. They are ugly, take up lots of room, generate EMF, are subject to terrorism and damage from extreme weather events that will be on the increase due to climate change.

50215-001

As an alternative first consider aggressive energy conservation programs then sustainable generated distributive power. Both of these will reduce the need for the overhead lines and at the same time are necessary to avoid a climate change catastrophe. Sustainably generated power and be enhanced by smart metering and taping into the batteries of cars. This not only increases the % of intermittent power that can be used but also reduces the amount of wasted wheeling power.

50215-002

If transmission lines must be built use DC underground along existing right of ways.

50215-003

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**Subject:** Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS Comment WVEC50217

Thank you for your comment, Vincent Yazzie.

The comment tracking number that has been assigned to your comment is WVEC50217. Once the comment response document has been published, please refer to the comment tracking number to locate the response.

Comment Date: January 30, 2008 11:41:57PM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

Page ES-31. I am a member of the Navajo Nation and relocatee. I was relocated so the Navajo Nation could steal my coal royalty. Remember the 5th Admendment of the US Constitution that people must be compensated for their land interest and improvements. An indigenous shack built in the middle of nowhere is expensive. Cost to haul material, old pine house is valuable. To take the land, you must personally serve the person to take their land. People of condemned land need an unbiased attorney to help them not the Navajo Nation. A biased attorney can mess up the paperwork and no one has a ROW. Recently, Navajo Nation stored Navajo-Hopi Land Commission Records in Building 3, Navajo Council Building. Electrical fire on 1/16/08 may have destroyed records. Do not let Navajo Nation handle any relocation of Navajos, but get an ethical agency. Make sure relocated people are compensated more than fairly. No biased appraisals, etc. Skimping on money in the Navajo Hopi Relocation programs has caused bad hardships and ROW problems to this day. The case has been going on for 50 years now. Better get the ROW right on Navajo or this project will have problems like forever.

50217-001

Do not use the ROW to haul water from the N-Aquifer or C-Aquifer for commercial or industrial use. N-Aquifer and C-Aquifer water is for domestic use only and meant for the future generations of the Navajo. Navajos live in the desert and we can ill afford to use water to cool generator or a medium to deliver coal(coal slurry). Water in the desert is meant for drinking and domestic use only.

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Thank you for your comment, .

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Comment Date: January 31, 2008 02:19:11AM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVECD50218

First Name:  
Last Name:  
Email:  
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Comment Submitted:

I think these power transmission lines are an awful idea. There are much better uses for our land than to cover it in more sprawling infrastructure. Can't we update the installations that are already in use, instead?

50218-001

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**Subject:** Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS Comment WVEC50219

Thank you for your comment, JAMES DICKHOFF.

The comment tracking number that has been assigned to your comment is WVEC50219. Once the comment response document has been published, please refer to the comment tracking number to locate the response.

Comment Date: January 31, 2008 09:49:12AM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50219

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Comment Submitted:

I beleive we need to look at these cooridors however, alternative energy should be produced and used locally. Our current infastructure is fine if we produce and use this energy on site ie, solar, wind, hydro ect.. Our technology is advanced enough to allow to produce hydrogene locally. Many issues not addressed in this process. Why?? My concerns are:

- #1. Special interests vying to sell their property to these corridors at huge profits.
- Transparency is important.
- #2. Conservation is not even addressed in this process. With out Conservation, what is the point??

50219-001  
50219-002  
50219-003

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Thank you for your comment, .

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Comment Date: January 31, 2008 11:59:49AM CDT

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Draft Comment: WVEC50220

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Country: USA  
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Comment Submitted:

If wind turbines must be constructed, they should be constructed in a remote location which is uninhabited, unused for recreation, and not visible from populated areas. Californians have already lost a lot of OHV areas. We should NOT be forced to give up more.

50220-001

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Thank you for your comment, Daniel Marquez.

The comment tracking number that has been assigned to your comment is WVEC50221. Once the comment response document has been published, please refer to the comment tracking number to locate the response.

Comment Date: January 31, 2008 01:15:24PM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
 Draft Comment: WVEC50221

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Comment Submitted:  
 To Energy Corridor DEIS on behalf of Miss Alison Loy of Morongo Valley.

Power line are a necessity in today's society but when they run in the back yards of our community home they pose a potential hazard to children and adult of said communities. Therefore running the line through industrial and traffic communities is more applicable to these communities. I know power lines are run geometrical to the said terrain for economical purposes but, surely the safety of the communities they serve should be the number one concern. Please look at other alternative routes that better suit the need of the community families and the West-wide Energy Corridor DEIS.

50221-001

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Thank you for your time.  
 Sincerely  
 Mr. Daniel Marquez  
 Palm Desert, Ca. 92260

To Energy Corridor DEIS on behalf of Miss Alison Loy of Morongo Valley.

Power line are a necessity in today's society but when they run in the back yards of our community home they pose a potential hazard to children and adult of said communities. Therefore running the line through industrial and traffic communities is more applicable to these communities. I know power lines are run geometrical to the said terrain for economical purposes but, surely the safety of the communities they serve should be the number one concern. Please look at other alternative routes that better suet the need of the community families and the West-wide Energy Corridor DEIS.

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Thank you for your time.  
Sincerely  
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Thank you for your comment, Keith Carpenter.

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Comment Date: January 31, 2008 04:30:27PM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50222

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Comment Submitted:

As a Private landowner and sage grouse enthusiast I think your proposal for the power and gas lines through Crooked Creek would be an enviromental disaster to the Sage Grouse Habitate and further damage the habitate loss.

50222-001

My case and point would be to look at the damage done in the Pinedale, Wy area as a result of the Natural Gas Develpment.

Sincerely Keith Carpenter

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Thank you for your comment, John Doe.

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Comment Date: January 31, 2008 04:42:50PM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50223

First Name: John  
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Comment Submitted:  
im against the installation of huge power lines close to people's homes.

| 50223-001

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Comment Date: January 31, 2008 04:44:13PM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50224

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| 50224-001

Comment Submitted:  
im against power lines in my friends backyard.

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Thank you for your comment, Fred Goodsell.

The comment tracking number that has been assigned to your comment is WVEC50225. Once the comment response document has been published, please refer to the comment tracking number to locate the response.

Comment Date: January 31, 2008 06:38:57PM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50225

First Name: Fred  
Last Name: Goodsell  
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Comment Submitted:  
I am NOT in favor of these energy corridors. Please do not create them.  
Please take this quick and easy test:  
Who benefits most from these corridors?  
A. Republicans  
B. Democrats  
C. U. S. Taxpayers  
D. Al Qaida

50225-001

The answer is D  
Put all the Gas pipelines, Oil pipelines, Electric power lines, pumping statins, ETC. in one place? What a terrorists dream.  
Thank you. Fred Goodsell

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Thank you for your comment, Scott Walker.

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Comment Date: February 1, 2008 01:44:44AM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50226

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Comment Submitted:

The proposed plan to further fragment the landscape of the West is preposterous beyond belief! Start again by asking the right question: "How can we reduce our energy consumption while creating a good quality of life?" Schemes such as this are exactly the reason our culture is driving our biosphere to catastrophic death. Hello? Is anyone home?

50226-001

Scott

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Thank you for your comment, Sandra Snodgrass.

The comment tracking number that has been assigned to your comment is WVEC50227. Once the comment response document has been published, please refer to the comment tracking number to locate the response.

Comment Date: February 1, 2008 11:35:55AM CDT

Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS  
Draft Comment: WVEC50227

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**Comment Submitted:**

On behalf of El Paso Corporation, please consider the comments in the attached letter and include such letter in the administrative record for the West-Wide Energy Corridor PEIS. Thank you.

Sandra A. Snodgrass

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February 1, 2008

West-Wide Energy Corridor Draft PEIS  
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**Re: Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for the Designation of Energy Corridors in Eleven Western States, DOE/EIS-0386, 72 Fed. Reg. 64591 (Nov. 16, 2007)**

Dear Sir/Madam:

On behalf of El Paso Corporation (El Paso), I submit the following comments on the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for the Designation of Energy Corridors in Eleven Western States (PEIS). El Paso provides natural gas and related energy products in a safe, efficient, and dependable manner. The company owns and operates North America's largest interstate natural gas pipeline system and is one of North America's largest independent natural gas producers. El Paso often must obtain rights-of-way (ROWs) for its pipeline projects across federal and nonfederal land in the 11 western states addressed in the PEIS and thus has a significant interest in the agencies' proposed corridor designations. Please consider and include these comments in the administrative record for the PEIS.

**I. Issues for Right-of-Way Applications Outside Designated Corridors**

**A. No Prejudice to Non-Corridor ROW Applications**

The PEIS contains language indicating that the designation of energy corridors would not preclude an applicant from applying for a ROW outside of the designated corridors, and that the current process to authorize ROWs would apply to any such application. PEIS at ES-5 to ES-6; 1-11 to 1-13, 1-15, 3-1, 3-241. However, this language merely notes that non-corridor ROW applications would not be precluded; it does not ensure that there would be no agency bias against such applications.

El Paso supports the concept of developing designated energy corridors as contemplated by the Energy Policy Act and the draft PEIS. However, designation of a limited number of energy corridors by definition cannot serve to meet all pipeline route needs, and there must be flexibility to meet specific pipeline project requirements, which derive from often unique geographic circumstances of supply and demand.

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Although the proposed corridors were designated in an attempt to link production/supply areas with demand areas, the designated corridors would not, and could not, cover every future route required to link supply and demand. If pipeline companies are to be able to serve markets needing natural gas energy supplies in an efficient and economical manner, many future projects will not be able to follow the limited set of designated corridors across federal land.

El Paso believes that if energy corridors are established as proposed, pipeline project proponents quite likely could encounter substantial pressure from the Bureau of Land Management and other federal land managers to locate new pipeline projects within such corridors, even if doing so would result in substantially longer and more expensive pipeline routes, unnecessary delays in service, significantly higher costs, greater environmental impacts, or greater effects on landowners. Routing is already a substantial obstacle for siting new pipeline projects in light of surface management constraints due to resource conservation and environmental and cultural resource protection requirements; adding a further set of constraints, however well-intended, will not serve our country's energy needs and interests. Although the goal of using co-located rights-of-way within general energy corridors makes sense from the standpoint of minimizing surface resource impacts and improving project permitting, it should and must yield to specific project requirements where appropriate.

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The PEIS, and any associated Record of Decision (ROD) and other implementing actions, should emphasize that a ROW application would not be prejudiced or otherwise placed at a disadvantage due to the fact that the route proposed in the application does not follow a designated corridor. Currently-pending and future ROW applications should be evaluated on their own merits, irrespective of energy corridor designations proposed in the PEIS.

Further, any currently-pending ROW applications or any ROW applications submitted before finalization of the PEIS and ROD should not be required to await such finalization. Similarly, existing energy-transport facilities or pending proposals for energy transport ROWs should not be required to relocate to a designated energy corridor.

#### **B. No Delay of Non-Corridor ROW Applications**

The PEIS describes the expedited processing of ROW applications within designated energy corridors, *id.* at 1-11 to 1-12, and indicates that for ROW applications outside the designated corridors, "the project applicant would not receive the benefit of an expedited application and permitting process associated with the use of a Section 368 energy corridor . . ." *Id.* at 2-38.

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The agencies should clarify in the PEIS that the expedited processing afforded to ROW applications within the designated corridors would not delay or hinder any other pending applications for ROWs outside such corridors. For example, if an agency received a number of applications for ROWs within designated corridors while it was in the process of evaluating a non-corridor ROW application, the non-corridor ROW application should not be deferred to accommodate the "expedited" processing of the corridor ROW applications or otherwise given a lower priority status, and the PEIS and its implementing ROD should specifically so state.

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**C. Treatment of ROWs that Use Only a Small Portion of a Designated Corridor**

Throughout the document, the PEIS refers to energy-related projects that occur within the designed energy corridors. But it does not indicate what would be required for a project to be considered "within" a designated corridor. For instance, if only 10 miles of a 500-mile proposed pipeline project followed a designated corridor, would that project deemed to be within the designated corridor for purposes of obtaining the benefits of the PEIS, such as coordinated interagency application procedures? The PEIS should address how the agencies would anticipate handling applications for ROWs that utilize only a portion of a designated energy corridor or applications for projects that have only a portion of their total mileage within a designated energy corridor.

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**II. Amendments to Land Use Plans**

The PEIS states that the designation of the energy corridors under the Proposed Action would require the amendment of agency-specific land use plans to incorporate the designated corridors. *Id.* at 2-26. It also states that analyses conducted in the PEIS would support the amendment of approved land use plans for federal lands where the energy corridors would be designated. *Id.*

However, the PEIS does not state whether it would be the responsibility of the individual agencies to amend their land use plans on their own schedule, or whether such plans would be automatically amended to reflect the designated corridors by the issuance of the ROD. If the agencies would be responsible for amending their plans, the PEIS should indicate whether there is an anticipated timeframe for the agencies to complete such amendments after the ROD has been signed.

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In addition, the PEIS provides that

Land use plans that are currently undergoing revision for other reasons (not related to Section 368), but not scheduled for completion until after the ROD is signed, would



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incorporate the corridor designations into their ongoing plan revisions. Plans that are currently being revised for other reasons and would be completed before the ROD is signed would need to undergo further amendment when the ROD is signed.

*Id.* The PEIS should further state that any current land use plan revision processes, or any land use plan amendments necessitated by other energy-transport projects, would not be delayed to accommodate the proposed corridor designation.

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Regardless of how or when they would be accomplished, any amendments to the land use plans necessitated by the energy corridor designations should not foreclose the ability to deviate from the designated corridors. As noted above, the designated corridors would not connect all future production areas to all future demand areas, so land use plans must retain the flexibility to allow non-corridor ROWs.

### III. Issues with the Proposed Corridors

#### A. Interagency Operating Procedures

The PEIS states that the adoption of applicable Interagency Operating Procedures (IOPs) is mandatory and would be required for all proposed projects at all corridor locations. *Id.* This language could be read to imply that the agencies would take a “one size fits all” approach to IOPs for projects proposed in designated corridors.

The agencies should emphasize throughout the PEIS that both the IOPs and any mitigation measures presented in the PEIS represent *potential* measures that *could be* implemented to minimize or offset anticipated impacts from a given project, depending on whether such IOPs and measures were appropriate for that project. While the PEIS at times recognizes the project-specific nature of mitigation measures, *see, e.g., id.* at 3-98, the agencies should clearly acknowledge that IOPs and mitigation obligations would naturally vary from project to project.

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#### B. Bottlenecks

The designation of energy corridors as proposed in the PEIS would likely result in “bottlenecks” due to stream and river crossings, topographic conditions, or other legal or physical constraints. These bottlenecks would result in fewer projects being able to utilize the corridor due to ROW width restrictions at these points. Further, since agencies often prefer habitat and wetland mitigation/restoration measures to be performed onsite, any such measures completed in a bottleneck area either (1) would have a higher likelihood of being disturbed by a subsequent project routed through the

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same area, or (2) would further reduce the availability of corridor width in that area, undermining the very usefulness of the corridor. The PEIS should indicate how the agencies anticipate addressing these issues.

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### C. Landowner Issues

Although the agencies have not proposed any designated energy corridors on Tribal or private lands, *see id.* at 1-18, 1-21, the designation of the proposed corridors on federal lands would limit the ability of ROW routes to avoid the nonfederal lands located between such corridors. In order to make use of the corridors designated on federal land, ROWs essentially would be forced to cross the intervening nonfederal lands. This lack of alternative routes would automatically provide the owners of such lands with unreasonable leverage during ROW approval and compensation negotiations, likely requiring payment of greater than fair market value for ROWs across those lands and needlessly raising the transaction costs of obtaining ROWs due to increased litigation.

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These ROW valuation issues caused by the designation of federal corridors are magnified where the proposed corridors lead up to and away from Tribal lands. The lack of standards and procedures governing the determination of fair and appropriate compensation for energy ROWs on Tribal lands has led to virtually monopolistic control by some Tribes over such ROWs. Designating federal corridors that nearly guarantee the crossing of Tribal lands would subject a greater number of ROW applicants to largely unfettered Tribal authority over ROW compensation issues. Additional information on Tribal ROW compensation problems is available in the comments of the FAIR Coalition and other industry members on the Report to Congress on Section 1813 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 by the Departments of Energy and Interior.

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Similarly, the designated federal corridors would likely cause nonfederal landowners affected by the designation to assert that the highest and best use of their land is as a utility corridor. This would constitute a change in the existing use, resulting in an escalation of ROW compensation requirements.

The PEIS should acknowledge that these landowner issues would be exacerbated by the designation of the energy corridors on federal land. It should also recognize that the No Action Alternative would avoid these landowner issues.

### D. Safety, Coordination, and Security Issues

The designation of energy corridors would lead to safety, coordination, and security concerns. In particular, the existence of designated corridors would create

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additional pressure to site new facilities along existing power lines, pipelines, fiber optics, etc. Whenever facilities are located within close proximity to each other, the likelihood of third-party damage during construction and maintenance activities increases exponentially. This likelihood would be even greater where facilities would be forced closer than desired to stay within the boundaries of a designated corridor.

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Similarly, closely locating a number of facilities in a single corridor increases the risk of damage to multiple facilities during an emergency situation and may adversely affect a company's ability to respond effectively to such emergencies. In addition, the public identification of designated energy corridors could create denser target opportunities for terrorists or vandals, undermining the security of the nation's infrastructure (which security rests, in no small measure, on its geographic and functional diversity). The PEIS should recognize that the No Action Alternative would not result in safety, coordination, and security concerns of this magnitude.

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#### **E. Future Expansion**

Because the majority of the proposed corridors follows existing utility and transportation ROWs, *see id.* at 2-5, the designation of such corridors would not meet future expansion needs to meet market demands. Future energy transportation projects will need to follow routes that are economical and environmentally sound, and that connect areas of production and supply, at the margin, to areas of demand, at the margin. These routing limitations are static. They undermine the utility of designated corridors and emphasize the need for the agencies to evaluate non-corridor ROW applications on their own merits. The PEIS should recognize that market forces will drive the location of future energy transportation projects, limiting the ability of applicants to use designated corridors.

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#### **F. Miscellaneous Issues**

In the section on mitigation of potential project impacts to geological resources, the PEIS discusses mitigation measures that would compensate for logging impacts. *See id.* at 3-55. Since the PEIS is focused on the impacts that are typical during the construction, operation, and decommissioning of energy transport projects, the reference to mitigation measures for the impacts from logging should be deleted.

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In the discussion regarding the introduction of invasive vegetation, the PEIS states that "Cheatgrass is expected to dominate or completely convert more than half of the native sagebrush habitat in the United States." *Id.* at 3-206. The PEIS should indicate the timeframe by which this phenomenon is expected to occur.

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**IV. Conclusion**

The proposed designation of federal energy corridors would result in a number of issues during implementation, including bottlenecks; landowner negotiation and compensation issues; and safety, coordination, and security concerns. Those concerns, coupled with the failure of the proposed corridors to meet future expansion needs, would limit the usefulness, efficiency, and effectiveness of any designated corridors and would fall far short of the policy goals Congress had in mind when it enacted the Energy Policy Act of 2005. Therefore, it is critical that any pending or future applications for ROWs outside designated corridors not be (1) prejudiced by the existence of such designated corridors, (2) delayed to accommodate corridor ROW applications, or (3) required to relocate to a designated corridor.

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El Paso appreciates the opportunity to submit comments on the PEIS.

Sincerely,

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As a taxpayer and citizen of the United States, I am appalled that a project such as The Westwide Energy Corridor has been presented as an option to deal with our energy challenges by our government. As I see it our government has a responsibility to the people to provide real solutions in dealing with our challenges as a nation. The biggest problem we are currently dealing with is our reliance on fossil fuels, and it will be until we find other methods to support or better yet minimize this dependence. Instead of funding a project such as The Westwide Energy Corridor and ultimately putting money in the pockets of those who already have more than enough, not to mention causing irreversible impact to our nations wildlands, our government should be focusing on coming up with ways to increase the efficiency of existing energy distribution systems and promoting newer less culturally and environmentally impacting energy sources. In summation, I feel that The Westwide Energy Corridor would be, at best, an example of our government using our taxdollars very shortsightedly instead of attempting to fund a project which is aimed at coming up with real solutions to our problem. At worst, The Westwide Energy Corridor is an example of the current administration looking to maintain the sickly status quo of which they have profited from for too long at the expense of the lifeblood of this nations citizens and their land.

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Energy corridors are a Gas and oil concept to lock a development agenda on America's wildlands. United States Congress has sold out the American people, most of us too tired and busy to know it. Laws passed like these are hard to change when people finally come to their senses. Corridors should be adopted, when we absolutly need one, and citizens should decide their fate.  
Thanks.

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Thank you for your comment, James Jackson.

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Dear Sirs,

The N.M. State Land Office (SLO) would like to make the following comments in relation to the west-wide energy corridor PEIS about the energy corridors proposed within New Mexico. The corridor designation may significantly affect the income and value of State Trust Lands.

- 1) The PEIS should recognize the necessity of giving the State Land Office road access to Trust Lands that cross the corridor to permit maximizing revenue for the State Trust institutions.
- 2) The Enabling Act for New Mexico, Act of June 20, 1910, 36 Statutes at large 557, Chapter 310, is federal law creating state lands that are to be held in trust for the support of New Mexico schools, Universities and other institutions. The U.S. attorney general is mandated to ensure the protection of state trust lands in Section 10 of the Enabling Act. In it's planning, the Bureau of Land Management, DOE and other federal agencies involved in the draft PEIS should work cooperatively with the federal Enabling Act trustee, the Commissioner of Public Lands, to consider the impact of proposed actions on the income and value of State Trust Lands, and to protect and plan for increasing the income and value of the New Mexico State Trust lands.
- 6) The NEPA, 42 U.S.C.A. § 4332 (D) (iv) requires the federal agencies to provide early notice and solicit views of the State . . . of any action or any alternative which may have significant impacts upon the State entity and prepare written assessments of such impacts. The federal agencies need to coordinate its planning activities with State and local governments which includes the N.M. State Land Office. The State Land Office requests early public notice of proposed decisions which may have a significant impact on non-Federal lands (ie state trust lands). This means that in the initial early stages of planning, the State Land Office should be allowed to furnish advice with respect to the **development and revision of land use plans**.
- 7) Also the N.M. State Land Office is requesting a hard copy and of the PEIS for our records and further review.

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- 8) The N.M. State Land Office would also like consideration of a corridor that runs East to West through the central part of the state to serve as a transmission line for wind energy.

The N.M. State Land Office is requesting early notice and details of planned actions that may affect Trust land income or values. We are requesting that the federal agencies such as the BLM consult with the State Land Office before finalizing the PEIS for public comment so the State Land Office may advise the federal agencies in the development and revision of the PEIS plans that affect State Trust Lands. We look forward to future continued cooperation and the active participation by the State Land Office to maximize income and increase the value of N.M. State Trust Lands. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

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Thank you for your comment, jean kenna.

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City officials claim the city of Los Angeles has a defecit of \$155million. How can the city of L.A. afford to install a new power line.

Under what laws does a city have a right to arbitrarily run their facilities through another county without their permission.

Regarding property that has been preserved permanently, citizens donate their own money to preserve land with the understanding that it will be protected in perpetuity. How then can this promise be broken.

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Thank you for your comment, Ann Brauer.

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For the community of Indian Springs, NV, it is extremely important that the corridor route be to the south of "Grandpa" Mountain, which lies to the south of the community. If the route were to follow the existing path, it will come through the community in the area of the large spring which is the source of our groundwater. We have previously made this request, and hope it will continue to be considered. Using a corridor that goes through the community would have severe negative impacts on the community.

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Thank you for your comment, Judith Murphy.

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The West-wide Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS) proposes routes to accommodate development of new power lines, multiple pipelines (such as for oil, gas, or hydrogen), and infrastructure like roads, compressors, and pumping stations that will traverse hundreds of thousands of acres of public land, including proposed wilderness, national recreation areas, monuments, wildlife refuges, and more. Carving massive corridors out of the landscape will have significant impacts to wildlife habitat, cultural resources, recreation opportunities, and other resources on federal lands across the West. Once designated, the proposed corridors will run 6,000 miles and consume almost 3 million acres of public lands.

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The biggest problems with the proposed corridors is that they run immediately adjacent to or directly through many natural treasures and wild places, and the construction projects will be expedited with limited environmental review. The impact of this development will be devastating, given that as many as 35 liquid petroleum pipelines, up to 29 natural gas pipelines, or about nine individual 500-kv transmission lines could be supported within a single 3,500-foot-wide corridor. This is not acceptable. Please change it now.

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Thank you for your comment, Marjorie Williams.

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Things are changing rapidly in the energy field. Besides the many problems of a transmission corridor as proposed, it is already outdated. What lines that are needed for solar, wind, and residual coal, nuclear, and oil can go underground and near highways. This further protects the transmission and save ripping up large land surfaces.

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Thank you for your comment, Deborah Pascuzzi.

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Comment Submitted:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the New Mexico portion of the West-wide Energy Corridor Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. I am writing in representation of the Sundance Mesa Homeowners Association. Sundance Mesa is a subdivision located in Placitas. Our subdivision borders BLM land currently under consideration for use in the proposed corridor for energy transmission. Virtually all of our residents own property that abuts this land or enjoy broad views of these open spaces.

Construction, maintenance and existence of the energy corridor on the BLM land adjacent to our homes will have a profound impact on our residents. We have grave misgivings about potential effects on our health and safety, quality of life, and property values. Additionally, these open lands are home to an abundance of native wild life, including herds of wild horses currently protected under New Mexico statute. Many of us chose New Mexico and Sundance Mesa because of the natural desert beauty and wildlife.

We urge that the widest range of alternatives and possibilities be explored - from whether the Energy Corridor is necessary to designating the corridor outside of sensitive and natural areas like the BLM lands in Placitas. We are hopeful that every effort will be made to protect one of New Mexico's most valuable resources, its natural beauty and wildlife. We also hope that every consideration will be given to the safety and quality of life of our residents.

Sundance Mesa is a subdivision of informed, active and organized citizens. We will watch with interest the continued development of the Energy Corridor plan as it relates to our adjacent BLM lands. Along with other organizations and residential areas, we stand united in our resolve to oppose any plan that threatens the safety and quality of life of our residents and wild life.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on this important plan.

Very truly yours,

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Thank you for your comment, John Ames.

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## Energy Corridor Comments

Subject: Corridor #4-247

These comments apply specifically to the portion of Corridor #4-247 that can be inferred from the available maps to lie within the Colestin Valley of Southern Oregon from the California state line north to a point approximately 12 miles into Oregon. This area includes the Siskiyou Pass, which has the highest elevation on Interstate 5.

Placing major industrial facilities such as high voltage transmission lines or large underground gas transmission lines in this area is objectionable and unnecessary for the following reasons.

1. The terrain is steep and unstable. The I-5 freeway clings to a steep side slope both north and south of the Siskiyou Pass. Construction of transmission lines above or underground will be very costly and will damage or disturb a zone much wider than the 3500 foot proposed corridor.
2. The proposed facilities will devastate the peace and tranquility of the residential community of the Colestin Valley. This is an unincorporated community of some 200 homes. While a few might be compensated if the corridor were to condemn their property outright, many more would be negatively impacted by the destruction of the natural visual environment and by the audible hum and electrical noise created by overhead high voltage lines.
3. This location fails to meet the objective of locating transmission facilities on public land. Specifically, there is extensive public land both to the east and west of the Colestin Valley, but the valley itself is mostly private land used for rural residential purposes. As a matter of fact, most of the entire subject corridor seems to require use of private land.
4. Providing for public safety in the event of damage to major transmission lines in the Colestin Valley will be practically impossible. While on the map it looks like the proximity to Interstate 5 would provide access; that is not at all the case because of the steep terrain. The primary public safety agency in the Valley is a very small volunteer fire department. There are times during the winter when outside agencies find it unusually difficult to reach our valley. If this were an uninhabited area, this might not matter, but people living in their homes here will be subjected to risk that can not be adequately mitigated.
5. A better alternative exists. The Union Pacific Railroad already operates an "industrial" corridor through the Klamath basin (Klamath Falls), to the east of the subject corridor. While the historically first north-south railroad was routed over the Siskiyou Pass, the Southern Pacific, and now the Union Pacific, discovered years ago that the route through Klamath Falls was easier to operate and maintain, being less subject to problems of terrain and weather. The Klamath Falls route now carries numerous trains daily, while the old route over the Siskiyou carries only a single train, and that is being considered for discontinuance. The Klamath Falls route is already developed industrially. It may even already have various

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transmission lines, and the residents along the route are presumably accustomed to the disruption of the trains and other uses of the right of way.

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I recognize that from your point of view I am mostly just objecting to the destruction of the peace and tranquility of my rural home. You, though, are trying to solve a national problem of energy delivery.

It would be helpful in addressing this issue if there were meaningful meetings or study sessions locally where the technical rationale for a particular corridor could be discussed. For example, what is the source and destination of the electrical or fuel energy that is proposed for transmission via corridor #4-247? This could affect the appropriateness of alternate routes.

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Such meetings would be a mechanism for the engineers selecting routes to see the kinds of problems raised here first hand in the field. For example, simply running power lines along Interstate 5 might sound like a good idea to someone in an office on the east coast, but if the responsible engineers were to visit a few of the homes in the Colestin Valley, the impracticality and negative impact would become apparent. If this suggestion is seen as being too costly when applied to the entire West-Wide project, then the project is too large.

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As a means of organizing the comment and deliberation process, I would like to suggest that you prepare some sort of tabulation of points or areas of concern along each route. This might take the form of summarized and evaluated comments keyed to miles along the route. It could even include routes suggested as alternatives, if such routes seem potentially viable. This could form the basis of an iterative process that could result in practical, publicly acceptable routes.

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Thank you for your comment, Michael Spencer.

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Comment Submitted:

I own a house in a community south and below the power line corridor. Any terrain work that is done on that hill affects what flows off of that area and down to us. The slope is very steep 30-45% so care must be taken with drainages. The community I live in is Timberline Rim near Brightwood.

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Thank you for your comment, Rebecca English.

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Comment Submitted:

This energy corridor program, as drafted, would be extremely detrimental to wilderness corridors here in the Rocky Mountain west. It is obviously so, on its face. It impacts roadless areas, and areas that should be roadless, way too much, with numerous environmental impacts, including visual impacts, that are important for wildlife and for human recreation. If more energy corridors must be created, the answer is obvious: USE EXISTING HIGHWAY CORRIDORS.

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Thank you for your comment, Harriet Stephens.

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Comment Date: February 3, 2008 08:15:51AM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

The plan to put thousands of miles of new high-power transmission lines throughout the Western states is misguided and premature. We need to reduce our use of fossil fuel, not continue to plan how to distribute it. Until locations of large wind and solar installations are determined, creation of transmission lines is premature. Also, underground lines following existing highways would be more appropriate. One of the precious resources of the West is the scenery; this resource, including several National Parks, would be severely compromised by these installations. Please, put this project on hold until it can be reasonably implemented.

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Harriet S. Stephens

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Thank you for your comment, Ruth Rieman.

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Comment Submitted:

I wish to go on record as stating that the WVEC is fundamentally the wrong way to address our nation's need for energy. The electrical congestion that is of national concern should be addressed through conservation, local clean renewable power generation closer to point of use and more efficient use of existing transmission lines. And, as a resident of San Bernardino County, I specifically request that LADWP's Green Path North be denied right-of-way on BLM lands through and bordering the communities from Desert Hot Springs to Hesperia.

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Thank you for your comment, Elizabeth Brensinger.

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Comment Submitted:

I travel often to the western U.S., whose still-wide-open spaces (shrinking in number and area as I type)are a priceless national resource. I urge you in the strongest possible terms to:

- completely avoid all areas included in pending wilderness legislation or with wilderness character
- limit damage to resources, recreation and views (e.g., the current proposed corridor runs 20 miles through the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, which is unconscionable)
- present alternatives for public comment and consideration -- not just one plan.

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Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

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Thank you for your comment, Matthew Seddon.

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Please see attached comments. Hard copy has also been mailed.

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West-wide Energy Corridor PEIS  
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RE: Programmatic Environmental Impacts Statement (PEIS), Designation of Energy Corridors on Federal Land in the 11 Western States (DOE/EIS-0386)

In reply, please refer to Case No. 06-0725

To Whom It May Concern:

Per request, the Utah State Historic Preservation Office is pleased to provide the following comments on the above-referenced PEIS. We appreciate the attention given to cultural resource considerations in the draft PEIS. We will provide comments on interagency planning and implementation considerations (IOPs) as well as proposed mitigation strategies.

**IOPs Comments**

We particularly appreciate the IOPs that are directed at cultural resources and compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). We have comments on a few of these IOPs, but, where un-commented, we support the particular IOPs for cultural resources and NHPA compliance.

Page 2-28, Point 14 – We appreciate stipulation of the preparation of a visual resource management plan. We recommend that the EIS state that the plan should be integrated with the cultural resource management plan (Page 2-30, Point 30), and be used to develop an appropriate APE that will enable reasonable analysis of potential visual effects to cultural resources.

Page 2-30, Point 30 – We believe that the production of a cultural resources management plan (CRMP) is a good procedure for subsequent project development. This procedure could eliminate the need for time-consuming Programmatic Agreements that are commonly utilized at this time. We recommend that this section stipulate that the CRMP will be developed in consultation with the involved agencies, the public, the tribes, and the relevant state historic preservation officers.

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Page 2-31, Point 35 – We appreciate the stipulation that the project Area of Potential Effects (APE) should include all development, including staging areas, access routes, etc., and should include consideration of indirect effects and a buffer zone. We recommend that this section also stipulate that the buffer zone should be sufficient to encompass cultural resources that could potentially be impacted by increased visitation due to access road improvement or development. In other words, we recommend that the buffer zone not be directed solely at potential direct construction impacts.

#### Mitigation Comments

We appreciate the effort directed at developing guidelines for mitigation strategies. We have comments on a few of these strategies; but, where uncommented, we support the particular mitigation strategies for cultural resources and NHPA compliance.

Page 3-272, Table 3.10-6 – We appreciate and support the mitigation strategies specified in this table. However, the table appears to omit mitigation that could return the benefits of the mitigation effort to the public. We recommend that appropriate mitigation for all resource types and impacts should be stipulated to potentially include public products developed in consultation with relevant members of the public and/or stakeholders.

Page 3-274 – We appreciate the stipulations for mitigating various impacts. We recommend that the EIS stipulate that mitigation plans include a public outreach/public return component to ensure that public desires for mitigation products be considered and that public interests in mitigation be included in any final mitigation products.

Page 3-274, Left Column, Bullet Points 3 and 4 – We find the stipulation of a monitoring program to assess indirect effects and an education program to deal with looting and vandalism to be valuable recommendations.

Page 3-274, Right Column, Bullet Point 2 – We particularly appreciate and support the proposed mitigation for dealing with cumulative and indirect effects.

Thank you for taking our comments on the PEIS. If you have questions, please contact me at (801) 533-3555 or [mseddon@utah.gov](mailto:mseddon@utah.gov).

Sincerely,

*s/Matthew T. Seddon*

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Thank you for your comment, Vivian George.

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Comment Submitted:

It has been brought to my attention that a plan regarding the Resource Management Plan for BLM lands in Placitas is ongoing. I am strongly in support of any use that will retain the current appearance of the land. I own a lot in Sundance Mesa and its value to me is a direct function of the state of the BLM land. I was told when I purchased the lot that the BLM would remain as an open use space. I always thought it was there as buffer from development and a place where people can enjoy nature close to Albuquerque. It is also a very positive aspect that wild horses call this land home. I support WHOA, The Placitas Coalition, and all other groups and initiatives that will protect the open space, the wild horses, and other wildlife inhabiting these lands. If and when I build I have a direct view of the BLM land and that was one of the biggest reasons why I bought the land. A view of nature is priceless. Further, nature is quiet. That peace and quiet is also very, very important. The future use of these lands and outcome of the Resource Management Plan will have a profound impact on my plans for the land and/or return on my investment. Consequently, it is critical that this land NOT be used as an energy corridor!

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Thank you for your comment, Rex Sacco.

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Re: Carbon County Utah's Comments on the Draft Programmatic EIS, Designation of Energy Corridors on Federal Land in the 11 Western States

To whom it may concern,

Carbon County, a political subdivision of the sovereign State of Utah submits these comments with the intent that they be used in the creation of the EIS and final Record of Decision on this proposed action.

We have reviewed the document and wonder why more states and or political subdivisions affected by this action were not included or given the opportunity to be cooperating agencies on this action at the onset? In our view, the process would have been more streamlined with less chance for conflict and draft edits if those counties and States involved in this action would have been included at the onset at the first draft of

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this document.

After reviewing the information and particularly the mapping given to us on the CD, we have some questions as to the exact location of the corridor. We tried to project the corridor shapefile on the CD with our data and found it to be approximately 1500 feet off of the existing power transmission lines traversing Carbon County. Since the width is to be 3500 feet this is probably negligible. If the proposed corridor does run congruent with the existing power transmission corridor this would seem to be an acceptable route given that due diligence is given to the private land owners needs and rights in the area such as any permanent structures and ongoing occupations that could be negatively impacted by any additional width of the proposed corridor.

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Local representatives of Rocky Mountain Power were contacted by this office to ascertain if any pertinent data or information was omitted. We will consider that since this organization are also making comments that this additional information will be considered.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If any other data or issues on this proposed action surfaces Carbon County will contact you with this information. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions of comments.  
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Thank you for your comment, Rich Rohr.

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Comment Submitted:  
I urge you to keep all solar and wind farms out of the desert.

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Thank you for your comment, John Murray.

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**Comment Submitted:**

I am writing to oppose the proposed energy corridor along I-90 west of Missoula, and to urge reconsideration of the existing BPA energy corridor, which is sited away from the freeway.

I-90 west of Missoula follows the Clark Fork and St. Regis rivers. This route in the valley bottoms represents most of the remaining private land in western Missoula County and Mineral County. Over 80 percent of Mineral County is federal land.

The establishment of an energy corridor along I-90 would further limit private ownership and would adversely affect local economic development.

This point was raised about 20 years ago, when the Bonneville Power Administration transmission lines were sited. At that time, the federal government wisely avoided the valley bottoms and created a new route across federal lands north of I-90. This existing energy corridor has numerous access roads and could be widened and improved for the purposes of the proposed energy corridor.

In addition, I-90 includes nine river crossings between St. Regis and the Nine Mile area, which pose a security threat to the energy corridor and raise concerns about safety and the environment in the event of an earthquake.

I recommend that future siting plans avoid I-90 in favor of the existing energy corridor, with its one single river crossing east of Alberton.

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Comment Submitted:

Use of Federal Lands and use of eminent domain to take lands that have been given to Federal Parks (e.g. Anza Borrego) is an inhumane process and goes beyond what our federal government practices were meant to be. It is quite evident that the sole intention of these energy corridors is to keep coal production up not actually bring in alternative energy. Likewise, establishment of energy corridors in areas of established lands for Mustang horse protection goes against the desires of most of the USA population-otherwise we would have never protected these horses. Cease the encroachment of our public lands for the private use of fuel companies!

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