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Thank you for your comment, David Welch.

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Comment Submitted:

The energy corridors will inevitably cross historic emigrant trails in the west. A review of the maps indicates that crossings may occur in Wyoming, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon and California.

The Oregon-California Trails Association (OCTA) is concerned about the impact of expanded energy corridors on the Oregon and California National Historic Trails and their viewsheds. As more detailed plans evolve, care should be taken to minimize impacts by using already disturbed areas and by careful design of crossings. In general, we support use of existing corridors rather than the designation of new corridors.

With the limited information available, we have identified specific areas of concern to include but not be limited to central and northeast Nevada (California Trail), the north-south route in central southern Wyoming (Cherokee and Overland Trails), the area north of Kemmerer, WY (Sublette Cutoff), southwestern Idaho, and eastern Oregon (Oregon Trail).

As corridors are implemented we expect full application of the Section 106 processes to insure protection and mitigation of adverse effects.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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