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Thank you for your comment, sue mapolski.

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**Comment Submitted:**

Before you can run your energy corridors throughout the west, please indicate which private lands you will need to confiscate. This is extremely important!

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Thank you for your comment, Susan Lander.

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I am appalled by the West Wide Energy Corridor which will cause untold damage to environment and to biodiversity in large sections of the Western United States. I am appalled by the lack of publicity regarding this proposal. If it is not harmful to ecosystems throughout the West there would be no reason not to provide adequate public notice and input and review. I urge you to open the proposal to reasonable, advertised well in advance, public hearing and environmental reviews. We cannot go on cavalierly ignoring the health of the ecosystem without serious consequences for our whole country.

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Comment Submitted:

Areas in pending wilderness legislation should be avoided - wildlands included in recently-introduced wilderness bills (such as those in Oregon, Washington, Colorado, and California) will be impacted by the proposed corridors. The analysis of these impacts has not been completed yet, but as agencies are provided with relevant information, they should modify corridors to avoid areas poised for protection; special or sensitive public lands should be avoided altogether - agencies should analyze impacts to special public lands and reroute corridors to avoid them. Agencies should also make this process and information transparent to the public; best management practices should be used in projects to limit damage to resources, recreation and views - agencies should make their Interagency Operating Procedures mandatory; and alternatives should be presented and considered - without alternatives, the public can only comment on what they don't like about the proposed plan. The agencies (who have all of the pertinent information) should provide the public with choices - that's why NEPA requires them to develop alternatives.

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Thank you for your comment, Jennifer Lance.

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The West Wide Energy Corridor (WVEC) is a gargantuan environmental threat to the western United States. It would cause untold harm to ecosystems throughout the west. Consider the impact such a project would have on the rich ecosystems of Steens Mountain and the Cascade Siskiyou National Monument. Consider the effect it would have on habitat connectivity and proposed wilderness areas. The Environmental Impact Statement shows lines drawn throughout the west, but leaves gaps wherever the corridor leaves federal lands. After that, it will have to run over private and state property. To use this land, the federal government will have to take it from its current owners.

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One line runs right down I-5 to Ashland, and then disappears for well over 100 miles. How will it cross the Siskiyou Crest?

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Thank you for your comment, Randy Lantz.

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Comment Submitted:

Energy corridors should follow existing pathways (i.e. highways, roads, railroads, etc.) and all utility lines and pipelines should be buried to protect them and to have a more aesthetic view and not impact wildlife.

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Thank you for your comment, Jenna Boyle.

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Comment Submitted:

I believe that the establishment of a far-reaching energy corridor is a terrible idea, with potentially devastating effects. Have you considered the possibility of using rectennas instead?

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Thank you for your comment, Susan Williams.

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This initiative is based on faulty policy decisions: (1) There is not enough water in the west for your applicants to extract fuel from shale or other formations. If you think that obtaining the compliance of the western states in this land/water grab is going to happen, you are woefully misinformed. To ask for these resources is like asking for our children to use as sex-slaves. No way. (2) Hydrogen fuel is a no-starter, highly unstable and expensive. Clearly lawmakers are unschooled in basic scientific realities. Just the fact that this has been included in your proposal signals how hokey the whole thing is. (3) What is necessary for this country is not the further nationalizing of the power grid, but just the opposite; each region of the country must come up with a localized plan to generate electricity. Some will opt for trying wind power, some geothermal, some solar, many a mix, and some will be able to use more experimental technologies, the point being that the concept of transmitting energy from one coast to the other is not economically, scientifically or politically realistic. If you connect the whole country onto one grid, you have created a security nightmare and an invitation for the whole country to go into a blackout. You lose more energy in sending it that far than you generate. Maintain regional grids, forget this massive pig-trough of a project. It's not going to happen because George Bush and his crooked cronies are on their way OUT.

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Comment Submitted:

This energy corridor plan is outrageous! We must have conservation and renewable, clean energy, NO MORE DRILLING AND MINING!

50107-001

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Thank you for your comment, Jim Boone.

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Comment Submitted:  
Comments on the West-wide Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement

Let me first state that I agree with the need to add utility capacity, and I stand to benefit personally from work generated by these projects in the deserts around Las Vegas, but I have some concerns. 50108-001

1. Why are new corridors being proposed parallel to existing corridors, and why aren't existing corridors shown on the maps of proposed corridors? In particular, northeast of Las Vegas, an existing corridor runs north of Interstate-15 through the Moapa-Glendale region. Why is another corridor being proposed on the south side of the interstate? We should use or expand existing corridors rather than build new corridors to limit the effects of expanded linear features in the desert. 50108-002

2. Why isn't the Desert National Wildlife Range shown on maps of sensitive areas? Other wildlife refuges are shown, so is this omission intentional to obscure the effects to adjacent sensitive lands, or is this just sloppy work? Have any other wildlife refuges been omitted from the maps? 50108-003

3. Why aren't proposed wilderness areas and areas suitable for wilderness designation shown on maps of sensitive areas? Showing these areas would give the public better information on the effects of the proposed corridors. 50108-004

4. How can we propose corridors without considering project- and location specific impacts? By definition, corridors are at least location specific, so it seems disingenuous to disregard the effects at this stage in the process. At the least, alternative proposals should be developed so the public has a broader range of alternatives to consider. 50108-005

5. The desert tortoise and other sensitive plant and animals species are very important to people in the Las Vegas region. These species only have so much land on which to live. Specifically, how will the proposed corridors affect these species, and what will be done to assess the cumulative effects of the proposed actions, existing actions, and possible 50108-005

future actions such as expanded urban areas, additional airports, and expanded railroads?

Thank you for considering my comments.

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Thank you for your comment, David Burch.

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Comment Submitted:

Areas in pending wilderness legislation should be avoided - wildlands included in recently-introduced wilderness bills (such as those in Oregon, Washington, Colorado, and California) will be impacted by the proposed corridors. The analysis of these impacts has not been completed yet, but as agencies are provided with relevant information, they should modify corridors to avoid areas poised for protection; special or sensitive public lands should be avoided altogether - agencies should analyze impacts to special public lands and reroute corridors to avoid them. Agencies should also make this process and information transparent to the public; best management practices should be used in projects to limit damage to resources, recreation and views - agencies should make their Interagency Operating Procedures mandatory; and alternatives should be presented and considered - without alternatives, the public can only comment on what they don't like about the proposed plan. The agencies (who have all of the pertinent information) should provide the public with choices - that's why NEPA requires them to develop alternatives.

50109-001

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Thank you for your comment, Michael Rees.

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Comment Submitted:

I am very concerned that the federal government has issued a draft plan proposing 6,000 miles of energy corridors cutting through eleven western states. These corridors will fragment habitat, degrade recreation opportunities, and otherwise mar our public lands. The proposed corridors run immediately adjacent to or directly through many natural treasures and wild places, and the construction projects will be expedited with limited environmental review.

50110-001

These corridors will adversely affect such areas as the Proposed National Conservation Area in Organ Mountains and the Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge, New Mexico, the Desert National Wildlife Refuge and three Wilderness Areas (Delamar Mountains, Arrow Canyon and Meadow Valley) in Nevada, the Snake River-Birds of Prey National Conservation Area, Idaho, Lake Havasu National Wildlife Refuge in Arizona, the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Paria River, and Arches National Park, Utah, and the California Desert Conservation Area in California.

50110-002

The energy corridors should be rerouted to avoid these special wild places and other special or sensitive public lands. Areas in pending wilderness legislation also should be avoided - wildlands included in recently-introduced wilderness bills (such as those in Oregon, Washington, Colorado, and California) will be impacted by the proposed corridors.

In developing the corridors you should make the process and information transparent to the public. Best management practices should be used in projects to limit damage to resources, recreation and views - agencies should make their Interagency Operating Procedures mandatory. Also, alternatives should be presented and considered for the corridors - without alternatives, the public can only comment on what they don't like about the proposed plan. You should provide the public with choices - that's why NEPA requires you to develop alternatives. To not provide alternatives is inconsistent and contrary to the provisions of NEPA.

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Thank you for your time.



Michael Rees

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Comment Submitted:

Utility corridors have a very big impact on sensitive species and their associated habitat. More extensive mitigation measures should be utilized to protect habitat in corridors. Habitat restoration projects have had some success in past projects, example, the Kern River Pipeline. Extensive care and habitat consideration should be part of the mitigation.

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Thank you for your comment, James Guilford.

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The Westwide Energy Corridor proposal is a waste of taxpayer dollars when carefully planned and as planned at this time is an environmental crime. This proposal should be canned. Both government leaders and environmental organizations have spent countless amounts of effort and capital trying to preserve certain landscapes across the West for the benefit of both man and nature. Any proposal which recommends fundamental breaches in the integrity of these lands borders on the criminal. National parks, national monuments and wildlife refuges were not set aside for future commercial development. So why does this proposal recommend massive industrial infrastructure be built through Utah's Grand Staircase National Monument. How could anyone favor bordering Arches National Park with a half mile wide conglomerate of steel and plastic. Apparently the creators of this plan do not understand law and/or the English language. If so, why would they suggest crossing the Sevilletta Wildlife Refuge in New Mexico with as many as 9 oil pipelines? At this point I am asking myself why I am even having to write this. If this plan comes to fruition, not only will the public and our public lands lose, so too will our legislators. They will simply lose their legislative integrity. For the sake of all that is good and moral, please scrap this proposal. The demise of industrial waste ribboning through our natural treasures would be another great way to show our children and grandchildren that we value them and their future more than immediate financial gain. Thank you.

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Thank you for your comment, William Belknap.

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Comment Submitted:

I'd like to address 3 things, a) specific local impacts, b) a hoped for approach during implementation, and c) the underlying assumptions behind the corridors presented.

a) There are two local areas where the proposed corridors would impact wilderness or proposed wilderness. Specifically the 223-224 and 37-223 lines that are in the Desert National Wildlife Refuge and the 232-233E line that impacts the Delamar Mountains and Meadow Valley Range Wilderness Areas. Wildlife Refuge should be designation enough to avoid placing power corridors, in addition the USFWS has found the Sheep Range, Fossil Elbow, and Gass Peak citizen-proposed wilderness areas in the Desert Refuge to be suitable for wilderness designation.

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b) Where existing ROW are being considered for future growth, wetland and stream crossings should be reassessed for environmental impacts. My experience in Washington state was that culverts associated with existing powerline ROWs too often created fish blockages. There should be the assumption that poorly sited or implemented ROWs should be corrected when utilized for expansion.

50115-002

c) Expedited application and permitting, sharing of ROWs, these are obvious gains for society when the ROWs should be built. The ROWs are necessarily appendages of power production facilities, and planning for new ones is based on meeting forecasted energy needs and the solutions used to meet them. It appears that these proposed energy corridors would facilitate the utilization of energy sources with high carbon and ground disturbance footprints to meet needs that do not reflect efficiencies of the future.

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• It is my view that future energy corridors should not be planned with coal or other fossil fuel power plants in mind. It should not be long before such plants will no longer have a free ride to release carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, and when that occurs they lose their cost advantage.

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• Nuclear power is not viable due to the danger of its byproducts and lack of adequate

long term methods to contain them, and the value they offer terrorists. They should not be part of the energy corridor planning.

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- Long range transmission of electricity makes no sense for future needs that can be offset by increases in efficiency, conservation, and local renewable energy production.

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- Planning for energy needs of future growth in the desert southwest looks especially tricky. The combination of increased new housing energy efficiency, appliance efficiency gains, distributed solar, wind, and thermal energy production, and the inevitable collision of growth and water supply means that forecasts dependent on current trends will be excessive.

My hope is that the West-Wide Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement can avoid rejection by states and environmental groups unlike its recent predecessor in the East. If it depends on fossil or nuclear fuel power plants, includes new incursions in wilderness or roadless areas, does not adequately account for reductions in future per capita energy use and regional population growth, then it is not likely to be accepted and will precipitate avoidable costly legal resistance.

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Thank you for your comment, Lydia Garvey.

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Comment Submitted:

NIX WVEC! It would bring havoc to ecosystems throughout the West & destroy habitat connectivity/proposed wilderness areas. Trying to sneak this by the Public & invading private & state property rights is repulsive to the extreme.

You work for the American people, not industry! Do your job-Protect Our Public/state/private lands, waters & wildlife and rights!

Your attention to his most urgent matter would be much appreciated by all present & future generations of all species.

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Thank you for your comment, Jill DeStefano.

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Comment Submitted:

Re: Energy corridor across the Desert National Wildlife Refuge in Southern Nevada:  
It is an outrage that our Federal Government would consider running massive infrastructure across an area that was preserved with the intention of protecting endangered wildlife, plants and landscapes from such infrastructure.  
Also, Yucca Mountain will never happen so it is unnecessary to run power through the Wildlife Refuge up to that area. Put your infrastructure along major highways that are already in place and leave our beautiful landscapes alone!!!!

50117-001

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Thank you for your comment, Linda Poe.

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Comment Date: January 19, 2008 04:28:41PM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

We understand an energy corridor will come through Placitas, NM. Where? Can I please get a location? Placitas area is huge.

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Thanks, Linda Poe

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Draft Comment: WVECD50119

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We understand an energy corridor will come through Placitas, NM. Where? Can I please get a location? Placitas area is huge.

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Thanks, Linda Poe

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Thank you for your comment, gloria mills.

The comment tracking number that has been assigned to your comment is WVEC50120. Once the comment response document has been published, please refer to the comment tracking number to locate the response.

Comment Date: January 19, 2008 09:22:17PM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

I cannot express strongly enough my opposition to the proposed energy corridor. It appears that the line would be visible across all the now "open" and beautiful vistas we now enjoy in Placitas.

50120-001

I also cannot emphasize enough the financial impact to the value of our homes. As a forty (40) plus year resident of NM, it has long been my desire to live in Placitas. We finally moved here last year, and it seems a constant barrage of threats to the privacy and beauty we enjoy.

It is also my great concern that the way government packages are "run through" without considering the investment made by residents, they just look at the area as a "grid on the map". It does not set well with most that we could be facing the forfeiture of our home at worst, or living with the unsightly infrastructure of wires and pipes taking the place of the gorgeous view and wildlife that we now enjoy.

50120-002

I feel this is a major threat to us financially, our homes being our largest investment, that the home values would plummet if the plan was allowed to proceed.

Not only unsightly, wire tower structures and even underground piping can be a potential health threat. I think it would be unfair to subject us needlessly to this type of development when there are areas to the North that might be less likely to intrude on our quality of life.

Sincerely, Gloria Mills

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Thank you for your comment, Nancy Hobbs.

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Comment Submitted:

I am opposed to the close proximity of teh enrgy corridor to established neighborhoooods in Placitas NM | 50121-001

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Thank you for your comment, Kevin Schilthuis.

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Comment Date: January 20, 2008 12:49:27AM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

We are quite interested in the local impact of this corridor, especially since the maps show the corridor aligning closely with the town of Lovell, a town recently undertaking some growth and development. Many residents in the area, with agricultural interests and other are quite curious to learn on what exact proposed swath the corridor will be placed.

Thanks, Kevin Schilthuis

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Thank you for your comment, James Domenick.

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Comment Date: January 20, 2008 11:40:13AM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

I support the No Action alternative. The proposed action does nothing to gain realistic corridors, as it only designates parts of corridors. This is "segmentation" at its worst. The proposed parts of corridors take absolutely no consideration of the negative impacts that will be required on non-federal land to connect them. This proposed action is the exact opposite of what NEPA is supposed to prevent.

50123-001

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Thank you for your comment, Peggy Vitale.

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**Comment Submitted:**

An energy corridor plan that includes or closely abuts unsecured private lands is not in the interests of public safety or defense. And energy corridor that does not include in the plan the obviously required acquisition of private lands is deceptive.

50124-001

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Thank you for your comment, Jim Harvey.

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Comment Submitted:  
Hello

Attached is a copy of the speech I presented at the January 8th Sacramento hearing. Also included are the pictures that I held up for viewing as I spoke of them. Please include this in the full written record. Thank you.

Jim Harvey

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Thank you. Good afternoon.

My name is Jim Harvey, I am a California resident speaking on behalf of the California Desert Coalition and all the residents opposed to some of the provisions contained within the West Wide Energy Corridor initiative.

I first became aware of the Energy Policy Act section 368 and its directives to the West Wide Energy Corridor initiative while researching the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's proposed 500-kilovolt-transmission line project named Green Path North.

The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power has publicly stated numerous times they would use section 368 and the WVEC initiative process to facilitate the acceleration of their plans for new energy corridors.

I would like to respectfully request that the partners of this initiative consider using already existing corridors as a priority, in compliance with the recommendations of the National Strategic Plan outlined in the US Climate Change Technology Program. Additionally, these plans place an emphasis on **upgrading existing corridors** for expanded capacity, and call for new corridors to be designated only when absolutely necessary.

50125-001

These important federal programs also call for local decentralized power generation. Generating the power closer to where it will be utilized eliminates the need for new extended transmission lines.

50125-002

I strongly urge this panel to reconsider the premise that additional transmission lines are the only solution to alleviating perceived congestion. There is little or no evidence that energy congestion is so extreme that it cannot be resolved by utilizing innovative technologies that do not require the relinquishment of our Federal lands for new corridors. We the people are the real owners of these lands, and subsidizing energy conglomerates by leasing our land way below its true value hardly seems ethical. The use of local roof top photovoltaic systems on **existing** developments for example, would go far to address this issue. Nanosolar thin film PV technology is here now and will allow very inexpensive localized energy generation in a **truly green** manner, plus provide a safer alternative to adding more destructive transmission corridors.

50125-003

We now know that downed power lines are responsible for a multitude of the recent Southern California wildfires. If this initiative establishes new corridors throughout California and the other ten states involved, it will inevitably increase this fire risk, especially in the remote areas like the ones the 500 kilovolt Green Path North line could be sited in. Fire danger was an issue of significant consideration in the draft report just issued by the project coordinators that strongly discourages proceeding with the proposed Sunrise Power Link in the San Diego area.

50125-004



Also of concern is that many of these proposed corridors are being sited in areas that are very prone to earthquakes. Earthquakes are known to cause downed power lines as demonstrated recently in the October 2007 earthquake in Chile.

50125-005

**POWER POINT – Slide 1**

But closer to home, here is a photo of what an earthquake did to a steel power line tower in upper Johnson Valley as a result of the 1992 Landers California earthquake. This shows steel towers are not indestructible.

**POWER POINT – Slide 2**

The areas impacted by that 1992 earthquake are highlighted in blue. This was the epicenter, and this is where the tower was located – approximately 20 miles away. This is the proposed path for one of the transmission lines that may be recommended by the WVEC initiative - Green Path North. If one tower this far away from the epicenter could fail as previously shown, what would have happened to towers closer to the epicenter? Let's say as close as this **(point to Green Path North Line segment 3 miles west of the epicenter.)**

This initiative could encourage proposed corridors to be placed in remote areas where rapid emergency response would prove difficult. Many people have the misconception that there is nothing in the desert to burn – but the devastation caused by the Saw Tooth fire in 2006 most certainly dispels that myth. This fire burned for 9 days, devastated 62,000 acres, destroyed 58 homes, and killed one person.

This panel must consider studies like the **Alquist-Priolo Fault Line** study before considering any new energy corridors in known earthquake prone areas.

Another point I would urge the partners to consider is the potential of collateral damage, whether intentional or unintentional – to the areas surrounding newly designated corridors. Some of these proposed corridors, such as the Green Path North project, run directly adjacent to already designated sensitive Wilderness areas and even traverse through Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC).

Within and surrounding these proposed corridors could exist multiple culturally and historically significant sites. Some are known and some are yet to be discovered. Ancient sites and artifacts that may not be located within the proposed corridor, but very near it, may not be appropriately considered yet certainly could be impacted.

50125-006

**POWER POINT – Slide 3**

This is a historically significant area called Rock Corral in Johnson Valley California. Just beyond this sign is the original corral built from large rocks over one hundred years ago, used by cowboys herding their cattle. The area has historically been fed by a natural spring that still exists today – a rarity in this part of the desert.

This BLM sign shows how sensitive this area is. It warns visitors not to camp within 600 feet of the water source, so as not to disturb the wildlife that depend on it. The long white sign warns visitors to tread lightly and not to disturb easily damaged areas.

50125-007

Well guess what? The Green Path North transmission corridor will be carved straight through the land just beyond this sign and that historic rock corral area.

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**POWER POINT – Slide 4**

This is the area just south of the corral. The BLM built this ramada for families to sit and enjoy the beauty of the area. The proposed green path north line will run just north of this area. How can BLM warn us to tread lightly in this area, yet allow it to be bored, blasted, crushed and cleared for towers to suspend power lines? This type of infringement on public lands would be scrutinized under existing procedures that the WWEC initiative may not recognize.....

Which brings me to my final and foremost concern, and that is that this initiative calls to expedite the environmental analysis process necessary to determine the level of environmental impact these proposed corridors may pose.

The WWEC could potentially automatically amend over 165 established land use plans. There are already procedures for changing land use plans to establish new corridors on Public lands that include full NEPA scrutiny. In expediting the NEPA and other environmental analyses this initiative may dilute these important safeguards that protect our public lands from unnecessary irreversible destruction.

50125-008

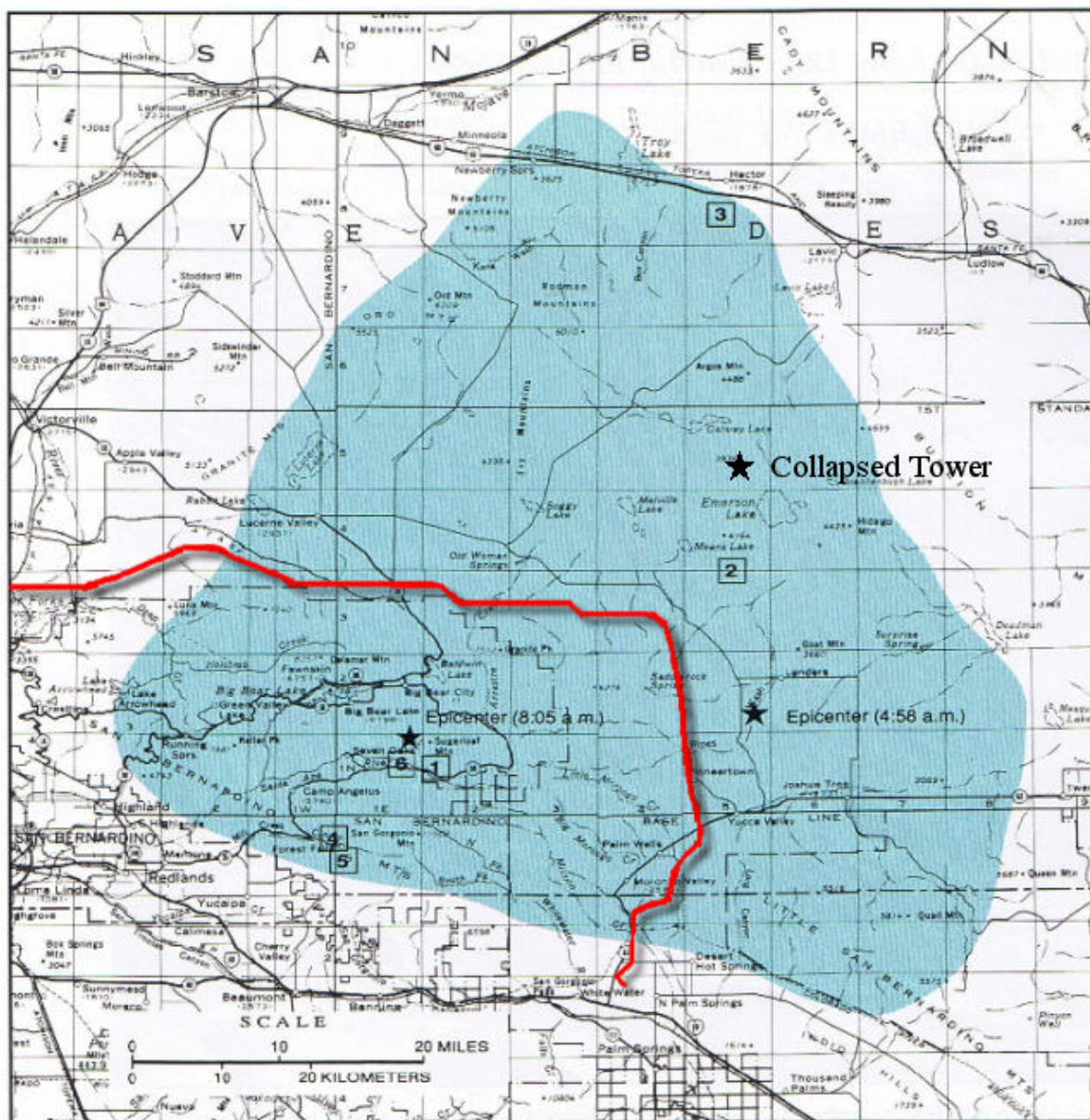
The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power in its arrogance is proposing a power line project through some of the most precious desert land we have. They hope to use the WWEC initiative and its relaxed requirements to hide the impact that their project will have on our land.

They should not be allowed to use the WWEC initiative to gain right of way access to lands that they would normally be prohibited. The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power's Green Path North project should not appear on the final WWEC report.

Thank you.







Limits of area affected by surface faulting, rockfalls, and other surface geologic effects of the Landers and Big Bear earthquakes, June 28, 1992. Numbers in squares are localities of photos in this article.





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Thank you for your comment, Marc Auerbach.

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Comment Date: January 20, 2008 05:59:23PM CDT

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January 20, 2008

West-wide Energy Corridor DEIS  
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To Whom It May Concern:

The NWPRC is a group of citizen activists in Oregon and Washington who believe that an individual's land should not be taken for the benefit of private business. The use of eminent domain for energy corridors is troubling for the reasons we set forth below. Given the scale and scope of the West-wide Energy Corridor we are disturbed and astonished to find so little consideration of these foreseeable impacts on private property. Only a single sentence refers to eminent domain in the *Summary Of Public Scoping Comments For The Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement, Designation Of Energy Corridors On Federal Land In The 11 Western States (Doe/Eis-0386)* and no other reference we could readily find in the draft DEIS.

We request that DOE, as part of this historic, ambitious and far reaching study, examine the history, fairness, and just compensation aspects of eminent domain in utility routing and make recommendations for reform. In particular we are concerned with the following:

- **Eminent domain is not a fair game. It forces unwilling sellers into a transaction they wouldn't enter into in a free and open market. There is no requirement for pipeline companies to honor property lines or to start with willing landowners or to prefer existing rights-of-way. There is no provision enabling owners along a pipe route to pool their resources to strike a good and fair agreement. Companies have a responsibility to do the most good for the public with the least harm to individuals. But it seems the "least harm" component has been replaced with a "least cost" one. When it comes to eminent domain the pipeline company holds all the cards.**

50126-001

- Eminent domain, in theory, provides for “just compensation.” However, while gas companies negotiate contracts every day, for most landowners this is a once in a lifetime event. There is no help in assessing the other losses such as loss of value to the rest of the property outside the easement area; the owner must prove it anew in each case. There is no ongoing revenue, simply a one-time payment—even though there are ongoing restrictions to the landowner and the gas company maintains ongoing rights to access. And no legal assistance. In practice, eminent domain for gas pipelines falls far short of the just compensation standard.
- Eminent domain enables LNG facilities to be sited far from the markets they serve. For example, California wants the environmental benefits of generating more of its electricity from natural gas, but it has resisted putting LNG facilities on its coast. No matter, eminent domain makes it possible to put the plants in Oregon and pipe it down.
- Eminent domain enables multinational corporations and well funded venture firms to raise money for speculative projects. This system places too heavy a burden on those targeted for pipelines. Merely drawing the line on the map, for projects that may or may not be realized, has uncompensated, real-world effects. People in the path of the preliminarily pipeline route (routes often move up to miles away) may not be able to sell their land when and how they would like; they may experience stress and anxiety; precious time is taken up in meetings and phone calls, and all of this activity is uncompensated; while corporations stand to reap millions.
- Eminent domain has strayed far from the original intent of “public use” when it comes to mean turning over control of one’s property to foreign corporations or their subsidiaries. The international private market has responded to demand and the overwhelming public benefit has been achieved. The marginal additional extensions to the existing system by private companies for private gain puts it at the same level of public benefit as fast food restaurants and large retailers. That is, able to pay their own way and in no need of special status.

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Sincerely

Marc Auerbach,  
Chair

cc: Senators: Wyden, Smith, Murray, and Cantwell. Governors Gregoire and Kulongoski



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Thank you for your comment, Meryl Bacon.

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Comment Submitted:  
We need less energy, not more!

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Thank you for your comment, Betty Tonges.

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Comment Submitted:

Consider myself a well-informed citizen and only learned about this today. This is the most shortsighted, stupid, invasive program I've ever seen. Spend the money on really solving the energy crisis and don't destroy our countryside and individual rights on this demented project. The secrecy with which this has moved is very, very frightening and will eventually cause a huge citizen uprising.

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Thank you for your comment, David Garry.

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Comment Submitted:

Remote generation and long distance transmission is a disaster for the U.S. It requires huge plots of public and private lands. Security issues. A few planes flown into remote generators could cripple parts of states not just cities. We need a different plan such as local generation. Let the people (as in "We The People") get directly involved with curing our energy issues.

50130-001

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Thank you for your comment, Tod Davies.

The comment tracking number that has been assigned to your comment is WVECD50131. Once the comment response document has been published, please refer to the comment tracking number to locate the response.

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Dear Sirs:

Re: Proposed Siting of Energy Corridor through Siskiyou Crest and Colestin Valley

As a resident of the Colestin Valley, I write to strongly oppose the proposed siting of the Energy Corridor.

Although the proposed route may look feasible on a map, even the most cursory visit to the area would show its total impracticability. The proposal is to have the Corridor parallel Interstate 5 through a very narrow, steep, and weather challenged area. This stretch of Interstate 5, in fact, is the longest stretch of 6% grade on the interstate system. Along with the famous geological instability of the region – the word “Siskyou” means “mountains that move” – our intense winters make that grade, at times, impassable. There could be no real practical advantage to siting an energy corridor in such a way that it would be affected by geographic, geologic, and weather related hazards, as well in a spot that can easily create a natural bottleneck.

Emergency services, provided by volunteers in our area, are already stretched to the maximum by the present use of the Interstate 5 corridor. It is easy to foresee disastrous scenarios where it is impossible for any kind of help to reach the scene in a timely fashion to handle a crisis occasioned by mega electrical corridors or oil, gas or hydrogen pipeline problems. And any sort of pipeline break, spill, or sabotage would not only disable the pipeline but also endanger Interstate 5 traffic – the main artery connecting California to Oregon – for an indefinite period of time.

In other words, to site an Energy Corridor alongside of one of the most delicate portions of the Interstate 5 system is to pretty much turn that area into a magnet for disaster. Surely this cannot be practical, let alone cost effective. As a taxpayer and a citizen concerned about energy and security, I urge you to site the proposed Energy Corridor in a safer, more easily reached, and less expensive position. Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Sirs:

Re: Proposed Siting of Energy Corridor through Siskiyou Crest and Colestin Valley

As a resident of the Colestin Valley, I write to strongly oppose the proposed siting of the Energy Corridor.

The proposed route looks feasible on a map. And that is where the feasibility ends. Even the most cursory visit would show its total impracticability. The proposal is to have the Corridor parallel Interstate 5 through a very narrow, steep, and weather-challenged area. This stretch of Interstate 5, is the longest stretch of 6% grade on the interstate system. Along with notorious geological instability of the region, our intense winters make that grade, at times, impassable. There could be no real practical advantage to situating an energy corridor in such a way that it would be affected by geographic, geologic, and weather related hazards.

It is easy to foresee disastrous scenarios. Emergency services are already stretched to the maximum by the present use of the Interstate 5 corridor. Any sort of pipeline break, spill, or sabotage would not only disable the pipeline but also endanger Interstate 5 traffic - the main artery connecting California to Oregon - thus creating a crisis of catastrophic proportions.

To knowingly put an Energy Corridor alongside of one of the most delicate portions of the Interstate 5 system is more than ill-advised. It is sheer lunacy.

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As a taxpayer and a citizen concerned about energy and security, I urge you to site the proposed Energy Corridor in a safer, more easily reached, and less expensive position. Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter.

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Sincerely yours,

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Thank you for your comment, Doug Meyer.

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Comment Submitted:

What a disaster. Stop planning for economic growth that we don't want (and definitely don't need either).

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Thank you for your comment, Anna O'Reilly.

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Comment Date: January 23, 2008 09:19:38AM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

PLEASE do not approve this destructive plan!  
Wildlife corridors are more important. We MUST make plans to use less energy and to develop solar and other alternate energyies. (not corn ethanol) Thanks.

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Thank you for your comment, Susan Craig.

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Comment Date: January 23, 2008 12:46:45PM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

I am a member of Great Old Broads for Wilderness, a national organization devoted to the protection of our remaining roadless wild lands. We work often in conjunction with other environmental organizations such as the Wilderness Society and the Sierra Club.

The proposed corridors fragment the habitats of wildlife and would impact hundreds of thousands of acres of public land, including national monuments, national recreation areas and wildlife refuges. In New Mexico, areas that would be severely impacted are the Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge, the Rio Grande corridor, two state wildlife refuges and the proposed National Conservation Area in the Organ Mountains, all necessary to the management of protected and endangers species of flora and fauna.

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The draft proposal does not adequately address the concerns of probably damage to protected lands from the development of these corridors or, indeed, provided adequate justification for the corridors and the energy entities for which the corridors are designated.

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Further, concentrating the issue on coal-fired energy plants does not take into consideration the renewable energy sources available for 21st-century needs.

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Great Old Broads for Wilderness, and I personally as a member of this organization, feel that the draft proposal does not address key issues such as the above and that the proposal reflects the desires of special-interest energy companies without adequate consideration of interests vital to the balance of life in this, our country and our planet. While consensus on such a complex issue will not be easy, I and my organization would request a much closer look at the future consequences of the (draft) Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS).

50135-004

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Thank you for your comment, Luane Chambers.

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Comment Submitted:

I reject the notion that the West-Wide Energy Corridor is a good solution to our increasing appetite for energy. This complicated, confusing spider web of 3000 ft wide wastelands is an environmental disaster. Much like the Mexican border fences being built in California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas; this plan will mostly benefit the wealthy businessmen who will land the lucrative construction contracts. Do not proceed with this misguided project.

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Thank you for your comment, Peggy Moore.

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Comment Date: January 23, 2008 01:03:28PM CDT

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Comment Submitted:  
Ladies and Gentlemen,

At our January 18th Board of Directors meeting, we passed a unanimous motion to provide written comments on the proposed Corridor (#4-247) through the Siskiyou Crest from Oregon into California. As the fire protection agency that is responsible for this area (for both fire and emergency medical) we STRONGLY oppose locating the corridor in this area.

There are a variety of reasons for our concerns but we believe the environmental, geological and financial arguments are the most salient and deserve your focused attention.

The Coelstin Vally and Siskiyou Pass are are well knows as unstable in terms of their geology. Siskiyou literally means "moving mountain." Slumps, shifts and collapses are fairly frequent in the area. As a result of one of these natural occurrences the Colestin Valley must noe employ a receiver to rebroadcast telephone signals because the cable was rendered unusuable by earth movement along its route.

Interstate 5 is a vital transportation highway from Mexico to Alaska. Many of the trucks using this route on a daily basis carry toxic wastes, including nuclear waste. In addition, essential supplies of all kinds are hauled on this route day and night. Accidents happen frequently, sometimes closing the highway or rending one lane or another impassable.

This particular stretch along Interstate 5 (proposed corridor #4-247) is the longest stretch of 6% grade on the interstate system. Along with instaility and bottleneck problems, the expense of putting lines across the Siskiyou Pass would be enormous. There are certainly locations in the state of Oregon that are flat, have far less interstate traffic and reside in more geologically stable environments. Areas in sparsely populated Eastern Oregon might be a consideration.

The proposal, as we understand it, will make the Klamath River dam substation a

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destination for the proposed energy corridor. In doing so, you are targeting a substation connected to a dam that may soon be dismantled when court-ordered priority concerns for Klamath River salmon prevent re-licensing of Klamath River dams.

The energy corridor segment, which is proposed for California's Jenny Creek Falls, is a Redding BLM area of critical environmental concern.

We appreciate that when notified by many concerned citizens you moved the original 3,500 foot energy corridor out of the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument, but we still believe that for the reasons stated above, putting it in this region at all is a serious mistake.

We are a small, entirely volunteer fire district that, for 25 years, has provided needed fire and emergency medical services to the residents of our community. We simply do not have the resources, nor are more likely to appear, to support a crisis occasioned by the "mega" corridor. The location of our area makes it difficult (and at times impossible) for outside agencies to respond in a timely fashion.

We believe, once these facts are reviewed and the costs of locating the corridor in this area thoroughly researched that finding a more geologically friendly, more cost effective and less populated traffic area will become clear.

We would be happy to provide further information to you on this matter. Thank you for your attention to our concerns and we hope that you will find a more hospitable location for this project.

Sincerely yours

Peggy A. Moore  
Chairperson  
Colestin Rural Fire District

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Thank you for your comment, Rick and Laurie Kline.

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Comment Date: January 23, 2008 01:35:41PM CDT

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Comment Submitted:

As Nature photographers we feel you are entrusted with conscious decisions that will permanently alter complex ecosystems that sustain life on earth and that are barely understood by Science. Our exploitation and disregard for the natural world has already desecrated the air we breathe, the oceans, the soil, water, wildlife and wild places. We have yet to come to terms with our ignorance. Our dominion over all other life forms, reckless waste and inability or unwillingness to conserve, our plundering of natural resources just because we can is mortgaging the future of our children and life on earth. Clear sightedness is of vital importance in discerning Nature as an all encompassing life sustaining community. What has sustained the web of life for millions of years, the soil crust, the fragile plant communities, the insects, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals, threatened species, all intricately linked in a delicate balance are at risk of unraveling from a pandemic of ominous forces and indifference. Road building, heavy equipment, maintenance trucks, ground water contamination, H2S & SO2 outgassing, diesel and gasoline exhaust from vehicles, generators & compressors, noxious weed invasions, exotic species, oil spills, access to off road vehicles, access to poachers, increased traffic, more white crosses a long the highways, CO2 emissions compound our problems. They do nothing to turn back the tide of decay of our biosphere. This is our land too. You have been charged as stewards, keepers, protectors, not foxes in the hen house! The only benefactors if oil and gas leasing is allowed are the oil and gas companies....not the lithosphere, not the biosphere, not the atmosphere. This is the 21st century. This is not the age of waste. This must be the age of accountability, of responsibility, of forward thinking. Not backward thinking. Please. Hold special interests, hydrocarbon, coal, wind turbine industry accountable for deeds of the 20th century. Say No. This land is priceless. We must conserve what is left.

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Thank you for your comment, Mary Moore.

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## Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic EIS Comments

I am vehemently opposed to the proposed West-wide Energy Corridor for numerous reasons some of which are as follows:

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| 1. I am opposed to the 120+ applications in the Mojave Desert for energy generation and/or transmission projects that have been submitted to the BLM.  |           |
| 2. I am opposed to Section 1221 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and the National Interest Electric Transmission Corridors because they encourage corporations to use Federal eminent domain power to acquire land and displace people from their homes.   | 50139-001 |
| 4. I am appalled by the behavior of the LADWP, who for the past two years has made false claims and lied when confronted with factual evidence.  |           |
| 5. I do not agree with the land use subsidies that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will give to corporations in the West-wide Energy Corridors, as these subsidies are another example of corporate welfare at our taxpayers' expense.   |           |
| 6. I do not agree with the investment tax credits that the Internal Revenue Service will provide to corporations who develop projects within the West-wide Energy Corridors, as these tax credits are another example of corporate welfare at our taxpayers' expense.  | 50139-002 |
| 7. I do not agree with low- or no-interest government loans granted to development corporations who develop projects within the West-wide Energy Corridors, as these loans are another example of corporate welfare at our taxpayers' expense.   |           |
| 8. I do not agree that blasting, bulldozing, scraping, crushing, and grading are green, nor are these activities that reduce greenhouse gasses. Each plant that is removed no longer is there to absorb carbon dioxide, and each piece of heavy construction equipment contributes enormous amounts of carbon monoxide into the atmosphere.      | 50139-003 |
| 9. I do not agree with the use of an appearance of "Green Energy Policy" to acquire political capital or assist corporations to profit from the policies and practices embodied within the West-wide Energy Corridors as defined in this Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft PEIS).   |           |
| 10. I do not agree with the proposed designated corridors in the West-wide Energy Corridor (WVEC) Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft-PEIS), as these corridors will have significant impacts on wildlife habitat, cultural resources, recreation opportunities, and many other resources on federal lands across the West. | 50139-004 |
| 11. I do not agree with the defiling of state, county, city and township rights to regulate land use within their respective jurisdictions that would be essential for the West-wide Energy Corridors to connect across private lands.   | 50139-005 |
| 12. I am opposed to the stated notion of the mayor of Los Angeles and the LADWP that the Mojave Desert is Los Angeles's backyard, and I am opposed to the mayor's and LADWP's resultant omnipotent attitude that allows them to think they can destroy another geographic portion of California as they did in the Owens Valley.                 | 50139-006 |

Mary K. Moore      7760 Condalia Ave. Yucca Valley, Ca. 92284



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Thank you for your comment, Lisa Faragher.

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Comment Submitted:

We are completely against LA tapping into our engery as well as destroying the beauty and vastness of the Mohave Desert.  
The hills and mountains and planes are an amazing site. Wether you are walking, hiking, horse back riding or just cruising in your car, the sites from Morongo Valley to Landers are breath taking, clean, clear and natural. Ugly energy towars and wires would destroy the beauty and natural state of the desert. Not to mention the hardship and devastation to the wild life. We DO NOT want Los Angeles coming in and destroy the beauty and tranquility of our desert. FIND YOUR DISURBING GREED FOR ENERGY SOME WHERE ELSE.

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Thank you for your comment, Daniel Frascchetti.

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Comment Submitted:

I am opposed to the use of doublespeak terms such as "Green," "Renewable" and "Alternative," and I will not be fooled by the real corporate welfare agenda.

I do not agree that blasting, bulldozing, scraping, crushing, and grading are green, nor are these activities that reduce greenhouse gasses. Each plant that is removed no longer is there to absorb carbon dioxide, and each piece of heavy construction equipment contributes enormous amounts of carbon monoxide into the atmosphere.

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I do not agree with the proposed designated corridors in the West-wide Energy Corridor (WVEC) Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft-PEIS), as these corridors will have significant impacts on wildlife habitat, cultural resources, recreation opportunities, and many other resources on federal lands across the West.

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Thank you for your comment, paul hadley.

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Comment Submitted:

I am appalled by the behavior of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, who for the past two years has made false claims and lied when confronted with factual evidence. It is this type of deceitful and dishonest behavior that erodes trust and gives government a bad name.

Public lands belong to the American people, and we entrust our government officials, such as yourselves, with the privilege and responsibility to protect our lands. I do not agree with policies and practices, adopted by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the Department of Energy (DOE) and enacted in the West-wide Energy Corridor (WVEC) Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft PEIS), that allow and encourage corporations to destroy public land.

I do not agree with policies and practices, adopted by the Bureau of Land Management

(BLM) and the Department of Energy (DOE) and enacted in the West-wide Energy Corridor (WVEC) Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft PEIS), that streamline procedures of the national Environmental Protection Act. This streamlining shortens time frames to expedite complicated analyses, thereby endangering the health and safety of our citizens and our precious habitats.

I do not agree with the land use subsidies that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will give to corporations in the West-wide Energy Corridors, as these subsidies are another example of corporate welfare at our taxpayers' expense.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely, Paul Hadley

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Thank you for your comment, Daniel Polk.

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Comment Submitted:

Greetings! I am a local student and long-time resident of Moronog Valley, CA. I wished to address a few concerns about the West-wide Energy Corridor (WVEC). I am opposed to Section 368 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and the West-wide Energy Corridors because they open a floodgate and encourage corporations to desecrate Federal lands.

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Thank you for your comment, .

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Comment Submitted:

Too short of public notice for such a large undertaking. Public notices other than Federal Register is not sufficient for such a large undertaking

| 50144-001

Public land impacts are vaguely address and private lands are not analyzed at all. Federal action are required to analyze all impacts caused by an action. Where is the analysis of private lands in the West-wide programmatic EIS document?

| 50144-002

Analysis is fragmented as are the poor maps provided for public viewing.

| 50144-003

Private land owners being affected have not been notified.

| 50144-004

I highly recommend Congressional action to table this process until the public is better informed including all private land owners.

| 50144-005

Need more analysis of fragmented parcels which includes private, tribal, state and better federal lands.

| 50144-006

Where are these corridors coming from and where are they going to? Please disclose the companies that are behind this endeavor.

| 50144-007

Federal Regulation to condemn private lands at only appraised value by major utility companies will not be a fair appraisal.

| 50144-008

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Please do not let the LADWP rape another rural area like they did in the last century in Owens Valley. That was a disaster and this Greenpath North Project will be a similar disaster for the plants, animals, terrain, and residents in the desert area affected. They can use the corridor already established along Route 10 for transmission. They DO NOT need their own lines. They can lease them from the Edison Co. The only reason they want their own lines is so they can cut a deal with solar power companies and wind power companies. Why don't they harvest ocean wave energy for their power needs? LA is nearer to the ocean than the desert. Thank you for your kind consideration.

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Thank you for your comment, Bruce Parker.

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**Comment Submitted:**

The comments (attached) are provided on behalf of Millard County, Utah and represent the comments and position of the elected Millard County Board of County Commissioners.

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**COMMENTS RELATED TO THE  
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**PROVIDED BY:  
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Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the West-wide Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) (hereinafter “West-wide Energy Corridor”). The following comments are provided by Millard County, Utah (hereinafter “Millard County”) by its duly elected Board of County Commissioners (Commissioner John Cooper - Chair, Commissioner Kathy Walker, and Commissioner Daron Smith). Millard County respectfully reserves the right to provide additional comments directed to the West-wide Energy Corridor prior to the end of the comment period, as additional information and materials may become available to Millard County.

Millard County is very supportive of the concept and processes of a coordinated planning effort for energy corridor planning. Additionally, as the home to the Intermountain Power Plant, a major power generation site for the western United States, and its associated power distribution facilities, Millard County understands fully its public responsibilities to be a partner in energy corridor planning. Millard County has an established history of supporting and facilitating the location of energy corridors within the County that have either a intrastate, interstate, or federal significance. This is evidenced by the location in Millard County of a number of interstate energy corridors, including the Intermountain Power Plant power transmission corridor and the Kern River pipeline corridor.

With a “default” corridor width of approximately 3,500 feet (or 2/3 rds of a mile) as it traverses across Millard County, the West-wide Energy Corridor is planned to be the location of a variety of energy transmission facilities including, but not limited to petroleum, gas, and hydrogen pipelines, electricity transmission lines, and their associated infrastructure facilities. Against the back-drop of support for energy producing facilities and associated transmission and distribution facilities, Millard County provides the following comments specifically directed to the West-wide Energy Corridor.



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The proposed alignment for the West-wide Energy Corridor creates a number of severe negative impacts to Millard County. These impacts include the following:

- While not identifying the exact location of the West-wide Energy Corridor on private lands the West-wide Energy Corridor is determinative of possible locations and alignments affecting private property. In its most direct alignment, the West-wide Energy Corridor traverses across approximately twenty (20) miles of privately owned lands in Millard County (determined by connecting the end points of the West-wide Energy Corridor). With a default width of 3,500 feet the West-wide Energy Corridor will impact a minimum of approximately 8,500 acres of privately owned lands in Millard County.
- The private lands impacted in Millard County are principally high producing prime agricultural and farmland areas. Millard County is one of the highest producing agricultural areas in Utah with agriculture being a vital element of the local economy. Millard County has adopted a number of policies that seek to protect agricultural production and prime farmlands. The West-wide Energy Corridor, in its current configuration, will impact the base economy, agricultural production and prime farmlands of Millard County.
- Millard County believes the proposed West-wide Energy Corridor will significantly and negatively impact the property rights of a large number of Millard County private property owners. Although not unique to Millard County, the proposed West-wide Energy Corridor identifies a series of noncontiguous “gaps” as it traverses Millard County, created by private land ownerships. As mentioned earlier the West-wide Energy Corridor planning process is determinative of future corridor alignments on private lands and creates a clear public policy statement, either intended or unintended, on the preferred routing of the West-wide Energy Corridor on private lands. This has a very real and negative effect on private land owners, placing them in an untenable and compromised position in future dealings with Federal and State agencies and public and private utility companies. To an inordinate degree, the West-wide Energy Corridor, as proposed, has the potential to pit private land owners against various Federal and State agencies and utility transmission companies, thereby thwarting the unified energy corridor planning and approval processes identified as goals of the West-wide Energy Corridor.
- As future residential and nonresidential growth and development occurs within Millard County much of this growth is planned to occur in the unincorporated county area in proximity to Delta City, Utah or within Delta City itself. The most direct and continuous route of the West-wide Energy Corridor lies either within, or adjacent to, the annexation area of Delta City, Utah. The West-wide Energy Corridor will have a disruptive influence on the future growth and development patterns of both Millard County and Delta City.
- A major contributor to the Millard County economy is tourism, including that generated by the Clear Lake Waterfowl Management Area. This area provides a

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<p>resting and feeding place for a number of migratory waterfowl, including the Snow Goose. The annual Snow Goose Festival is held in late February and early March bringing thousands of tourists from far and wide to witness the Snow Goose migration. This one event alone represents a major economic benefit to local businesses and is a significant contributor to the Millard County economy. If the proposed location of the West-wide Energy Corridor is maintained, Millard County is at risk of undermining the wildlife and scenic amenities and tourist experiences provided by the Waterfowl Management Area, and significantly weakening the economic benefits to Millard County provided by the Clear Lake Waterfowl Management Area.</p>	50147-002 (cont.)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The West-wide Energy Corridor is proposed in immediate proximity to the Clear Lake Waterfowl Management Area. Its location alone will have a negative visual impact on the Clear Lake Waterfowl Management Area.</li> <li>• The West-wide Energy Corridor proposes to cross the Sevier River in a number of locations. The County is very concerned with these river crossings and the potential for both culinary and secondary water degradation, both during and after any corridor construction activities.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The West-wide Energy Corridor will have a severe visual impact on the view amenities of Millard County. All above grade utility transmission facilities, including, but not limited to lines, towers, and related infrastructure will be clearly visible to anyone entering the central and western portions of Millard County from the east.</li> <li>• The West-wide Energy Corridor, because of its above grade utility transmission facilities, will create severe negative visual impacts to all private property owners in the area.</li> </ul>	50147-003
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For Millard County the West-wide Energy Corridor planning process is deficient in not analyzing meaningful alternative routing locations in Millard County. While the West-wide Energy Corridor does offer some minor deviations in routing, this falls well short of providing a meaningful alternative alignment and routing plan for investigation and analysis. Absent a meaningful alternative scenario, the West-wide Energy Corridor represents a single planning alternative for Millard County.</li> </ul>	50147-004
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As a matter of public record, and recognizing the cumulative negative impacts of major energy corridors and associated energy transmission infrastructure permitted in the wrong locations, Millard County took the unprecedented step in November 2007 to adopt a temporary land use regulation affecting transportation, communications and utilities uses. The temporary land use regulation is designed to provide Millard County with the time necessary to evaluate and modify, as necessary, the land use policies and regulations of the County specifically affecting major and minor public and private utilities and all utility corridors.</li> </ul>	

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Based on the concerns of Millard County, including the impacts of the West-wide Energy Corridor to its residents, businesses, visitors, agricultural activities, economy, view amenities and other impacts, Millard County formally and officially opposes the proposed West-wide Energy Corridor alignment in Millard County. Millard County also formally and officially opposes the installation of any new interstate or federally significant utility transmission facilities in the general area identified by the West-wide Energy Corridor.	50147-005
Consistent with the continuing support of Millard County for appropriately planned energy corridors, Millard County now identifies an alternative, less impacting alignment for the West-wide Energy Corridor.	50147-006
<p>Already existing in Millard County is the alignment of the power transmission and distribution facilities associated with the Intermountain Power Plant (hereinafter "IPP alignment"). (See accompanying map). Millard County supports a West-wide Energy Corridor alignment for future study that would parallel and be in immediate proximity to the IPP alignment for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The number of private property owners affected is significantly reduced. From a conceptual analysis Millard County has identified a significant reduction in the number of private property owners affected.</li> <li>• The private lands impacted are not the high producing prime agricultural and farmland areas impacted by the West-wide Energy Corridor, as proposed. An alignment that parallels the IPP alignment would be located almost exclusively on grazing and rangelands.</li> <li>• A West-wide Energy Corridor paralleling the IPP alignment would provide a much more "continuous" alignment on publically owned and federally managed lands. There are less noncontiguous "gaps" in a West-wide Energy Corridor that parallels the IPP alignment. Additionally, and consistent with an alignment being located on more publically owned lands, the impacts to private property owners is significantly reduced.</li> <li>• A West-wide Energy Corridor alignment paralleling the IPP alignment lies well outside of any future residential and nonresidential growth area of the County or its incorporated cities and towns.</li> <li>• A West-wide Energy Corridor alignment paralleling the IPP alignment lies well to the west of the Clear Lake Waterfowl Management Area, reducing significantly the negative impacts to the Waterfowl Management Area, and the tourism industry of Millard County.</li> <li>• A West-wide Energy Corridor alignment paralleling the IPP alignment significantly reduces, and may eliminate totally, the need to cross the Sevier River.</li> </ul>	50147-007

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- A West-wide Energy Corridor alignment paralleling the IPP alignment reduces the visual impacts to the County and its property owners.
- A West-wide Energy Corridor alignment paralleling the IPP alignment represents a meaningful alternative planning scenario for the West-wide Energy Corridor.
- A West-wide Energy Corridor alignment paralleling the IPP alignment has the distinct advantage of not necessarily affecting or changing the alignment locations where the West-wide Energy Corridor crosses both the northern and southern Millard County lines. The alignment of the West-wide Energy Corridor, both north and south of Millard County, can remain unchanged. What Millard County is requesting is a West-wide Energy Corridor realignment that can be totally confined to Millard County.

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(cont.)

While remaining for in-depth analysis and evaluation, Millard County is supportive of a West-wide Energy Corridor alignment paralleling, and contiguous to, the IPP alignment for the reasons identified above, as well as others.

On behalf of the residents of Millard County, thank you for the opportunity to present our concerns, comments and input to the West-wide Energy Corridor Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement.

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Comment Submitted:

I am in opposition of Green Path North. I am a homeowner, a wife, and a stay at home mother of one. My family and I live in Morongo Valley by choice. We enjoy the rural living and gorgeous landscape. I am in great fear of health hazards, property values decreasing, and just an unsightly landscape. LADWP has no right to infringe on my family and community's lifestyle. Please choose an alternative path for these unsightly monsters. Thank you.

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Thank you for your comment, Catherine Svehla.

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Comment Submitted:

Energy- how much and what kinds we use- is an extremely important issue, one that every citizen should consider and essential to our security. But events of the last 35+ years have revealed that CONSERVATION is our best tool, along with locally generated renewables. This plan to create energy corridors is more of the same, tired, bad policy, and given all the alternatives, one can only surmise that it is another Bush administration attempt to funnel money to big energy industry cronies and rip off the public by giving out more corporate subsidies.

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Bad policy, bad ideas, bad faith. Don't find the "best" pathways. jettison the idea of these pathways altogether. Thank you.

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