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Thank you for your comment, John Gifford.

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PO Box 98 To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the impacts associated with designating energy corridors on Federal Lands. Stevens Pass is a ski area operating under a Special Use Permit (SUP) on Forest Service lands located on Highway 2 at the Summit of Stevens Pass in Washington State. There are two existing corridors that run through the ski area: the Chief Joseph-Monroe (500kV) electrical corridor and the McKenzie-Beverly (115kV) electrical corridor. The Chief Joseph-Monroe electrical corridor runs through the southern edge of our SUP boundary, adjacent to The Alpine Lakes Wilderness Area on the Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. The McKenzie-Beverly corridor runs along highway 2 over the summit. Any alteration to these corridors would greatly impact the operations of the ski area.

We have reviewed the PEIS, NOI, and the Report to Congress and feel it is critically important that any foreseeable development in this region be carefully evaluated based on its environmental and economics impacts. Specifically for Stevens Pass, widening or altering in any fashion the existing energy corridor that crosses our SUP would have a significant impact on our operations and the guest experience.

We would appreciate being kept informed of all issues involving both corridors. We are also able and willing to participate in future public hearings scheduled for this fall in Washington State.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like further detail regarding our concerns. My direct phone line is 206-812-7352 or email: <a href="mailto:jqifford@stevens">jqifford@stevens</a>pass.com.

Sincerely,

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