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To whom it may concern,

I oppose the National Interest Energy Transmission Corridors. Any energy development should be in the region that the energy is to be used. One cannot expect landowners to give up their land, their livelihood, or their property to supply the corridor for a company that will profit from the sale of the energy being transported over a long distance. Landowners cannot be treated as if they do not matter.

If the money spent for the transmission area would be used for solar development in the local area it is to be used, the world would benefit in more than one way. Landowners would be able to keep their land free from the tall, unsightly, and dangerous transmission towers, and the recipients of the power would benefit from a ready supply of power that would be near at hand and a great source of renewable energy.

Wind farms are not the answer to our energy problems. The wind farms affect the weather in the area they are located and it is predicted that as wind farms on land become more widespread these weather changes will go beyond the immediate area. These effects include ground warming and drying for miles around the wind farm, and as farms become more wide-spread, the cumulative effects on the weather are unpredictable. We worry about climate change at the present time, why would we want to add to it?

Look beyond the companies that want to make a profit for themselves. Respect the landowners of this nation who are the backbone of this country.

Thank you.

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