

Dear Review Board

I strongly disagree with Rocky Mountain Power's preferred route through the southeast bench of Tooele, as part of the Mona to Oquirrh power corridor for the following reasons.

This proposed route will bring a negative impact on the biological resources inside this area. These include deer, elk, wild turkeys, grouse and other wildlife. This area is pristine and untouched, and needs to stay that way for the good of all wildlife in Corner Canyon. There are four natural springs that provide vital water to wildlife and livestock in the canyon. (This is the only water source in the canyon.) I have enclosed documentation for these springs. These springs were not included in EIS. (This is a very critical omission.) Corner Canyon has one of the largest producing wells for Tooele City therefore; we must protect the quality of our well head. Rocky Mtn Power states in the EIS that they will spray herbicide several times per year to retard the growth under the power lines. This could possibly leach into the ground water that we drink and retard us. This is not a threat but there is not a court in this country that would stand for that.

Creating a 150 to 300' area, grubbed and cleared of all natural vegetation, will promote erosion to the area, and will have a negative impact on the earth's resources. (This grubbing would completely destroy the surface springs in Corner Canyon.) Tooele City engineers already have landslide and erosion concerns in the existing east bench subdivisions and this can only make the situation worse.

Our family owns about 400 acres in corner canyon, this route will cut right thru the middle of our land. We lease to the Utah cattleman association and depend on this to keep our land in the green belt. If the water and the feed our affected how can we lease our land. We could potentially lose our land if we can not pay our taxes.

If it has to be here why cant we move it south and east a few hundred yards so that it does not go right down the middle of the canyon. Rocky mtn. power is asking far too much for what we going to get in return.

With my home, along with other homes, being within a few hundred yards of one proposed route, I am greatly concerned about the negative impact on human health. It has been proven that stray power from high voltage power lines can take a negative affect on humans. Another great concern is increased risk of wildfire in the densely wooded areas, which are also dangerously close to residents of Tooele. This area is not easily accessed by the Tooele County/City volunteer fire department, and brings a potential danger to those residing near the route.

Tooele County has long been the dumping ground for the Wasatch front. Don't you think we need to stand up and fight for the one canyon that does not have roads, mine tailings, etc.

Tooele County and the community have a God given responsibility to work together in making responsible decisions regarding land management. These are just a few of the many reasons why the south east bench route is a BAD idea.

This is a extreme abuse of power, we as a County are more than willing to be a TEAM player with RMP and our friends on the Wasatch front. I have attended the meetings to try to resolve this route and I promise you that RMP has not acted in good faith, they are dishonest and don't care about anything but their shareholders and the bottom line. This route as stated by the BLM should not have been proposed in the first place, it is like running power lines through the middle of temple square because it is shorter and cheaper than going around. I ask you to have the courage do the right thing.

Sincerely,

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