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To: FS-objections-southwestern-regional-office
Subject: Protect Caja del Rio Plateau

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to object to the transmission power line proposed for the Caja del Rio Plateau. I am objecting because of the importance of the area for Native Americans and Hispanics in New Mexico and because there are alternative sites for such a line.

New information has come out, as follows:

DOE/NNSA, LANL and Los Alamos County failed to disclose their negotiation for an alternative electrical power capacity upgrade project at or before the comment periods of December in 2023 and February in 2024. The National Environmental Policy Act requires the DOE/NNSA and LANL to show analyzing of alternatives in the draft of the Environmental Assessment, and they failed to do so. So the following should be withdrawn: draft EA, final EA, US Forest Service Notice of Decision and Finding of No Significant Impact. Therefore, DOE/NNSA and LANL need to create a full Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that carefully examines both the Caja del Rio proposed third line and the Foxtail Flats and BESS line.

There should also be an ethnic and cultural study of how the transmission line in Caja del Rio would affect New Mexicans.

Thank you.
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