From: Patricia Medling

Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 5:54:21 PM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada) To: FS-comments-southwestern-coconino <<u>comments-southwestern-coconino@usda.gov</u>> Subject: [External Email]Proposed Big Park power lines

You don't often get email from

. Learn why this is important

[External Email]

If this message comes from an **unexpected sender** or references a **vague/unexpected topic;** Use caution before clicking links or opening attachments.

Please send any concerns or suspicious messages to: Spam.Abuse@usda.gov

Hello,

As a resident of the Village of Oak Creek I am writing in opposition to the proposed above ground power lines through Big Park. These unsightly lines would greatly diminish our beautiful views along portions of the Red Rock Scenic Highway as well as throughout the proposed route. Most importantly these lines pose a major fire risk in this area. Highway 179 is the only artery through this area, and a fire could be deadly to many of us who reside here. I can also state that I have never experienced a power outage of more than an hour since moving here years ago. If we truly need backup power lines let's do it the right way and have them installed underground.

Thankyou,

Patricia Medling