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To: Head of Regional Forest Service Office in Albuquerque

I ask you to please reconsider the recent decision by the Coconino National Forest Service to allow above ground 60 foot electrical transmission lines, which will mar the view of and threaten the safety of one of the most beautiful cities in America, Sedona AZ. APS has agreed to bury the lines along much of the planned route between the Village of Oak Creek, an unincorporated area of Sedona, and McGuireville, 13 miles away across a lovely mesa called Beaverhead Flat, with expansive views but in an area of extreme fire danger due to very dry drought stressed grasses, juniper trees and other vegetation. There is already a gas line buried along that part of the route which will make it easier for APS to trench its lines nearby. But from the top of the mesa down into the Village of Oak Creek, APS wants its lines to be above ground. 60 foot metal poles, with 6 transmission lines between each, will be the first thing you see along Route 179, the entry to the Red Rock Scenic Highway the Village of Oak Creek, and Sedona city limits, less than 4 miles north up this unbelievably beautiful road. The views are unparalleled. Under the proposed transmission lines are profuse native grasses and other vegetation, including Pinon and Juniper trees, sitting right next to beautiful homes, which will be at risk of major fire exposure due to possible sparking from high winds and dry vegetation. Please don't let Sedona be the next Altadena. Arizona Public Service can certainly afford to bury these lines, a cost much less than they'd pay if Sedona and surrounding areas burn.

Thank you,

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