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**From:** Dave Norton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 12, 2025 11:50 PM  
**To:** FS-objections-southwestern-regional-office  
**Subject:** APS Transmission Line Project - Sedona, Arizona

To Whom It May Concern,

Please DO NOT allow Arizona Public Service Company [APS] to install a new high voltage line from McGuireville into the Village of Oak Creek (Sedona) on taller poles than currently exist. The route for this is proposed as over the Kel Fox Trail – a very scenic trail used by hikers and equestrian riders daily through a forested area of native trees. APS CAN bury the line here along the Kel Fox Trail – there is an underground gas line there presently and the electrical service could parallel that gas line with minimal disruption to the scenic environment.

As you are aware, the cause of several of the recent California fires has been power lines! We should NOT allow any more overhead lines in our forested area!! This not only spoils the viewshed of our scenic area, but also increases the potential for forest fires here. IF a fire should break out, there would be nothing stopping it from consuming our community of approximately 6,500 residents!! PLEASE consider the safety of local residents as well as protection of our beautiful scenery which is appreciated by daily visitors from all over the world!! It is in YOUR hands to help US preserve our community! Please don't let us down!

Dave Norton  
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