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Objection to proposed APS Oak Creek to McGuireville 69kV Transmission Line Project

## Dear Sirs

I am writing to object to the construction of the referenced transmission line specifically in the Village of Oak Creek area. Like my neighbors on Crystal Sky Drive, I believe that the planned actions of APS will have a significant and irreversible impact on the quality of an area of outstanding natural beauty recognized worldwide for its exceptional scenery and cultural value. Also it will reduce property values, deter new businesses and residents, undermine our tourism-driven economy and limit opportunities for recreation.

Given that the proposal for constructing the elevated overhead transmission line is irresponsible, I ask if modern cost-effective underground alternatives have been evaluated for employment in our residential area and if an environmental impact statement or its equivalent has been prepared and made available to the residents of the Village of Oak Creek.

Sincerely,

David France