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Forest Service,

The proposed over 2.5 mile section of power line just south of VOC needs to be put UNDERGROUND as the increase in WILDFIRE RISK IS UNACCEPTABLE if it is above ground. Our SAFETY IN VOC MUST COME FIRST!!!

If it isn't too expensive to bury the 5 mile section along Beaverhead Flat Road to protect scenery, then it isn't too expensive to bury the approx. 2.5 mile section of power line just south of VOC to protect the residents and their properties in the Village of Oakcreek.

Having the line buried will actually make maintenance costs far lower for APS in the long run and not impact insurance rates and property values for VOC residents.

An UNDERGROUND power line is a WIN-WIN for everyone!!!

Barbara Hirt

