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Comments: I own a home in Thunder Mountain Estates, which is directly off of Warm Lake Road near Cascade. At the time I purchased the property some 10 years ago, I was not aware that Idaho Power had an easement to control the power lines which run directly through my property. Two years ago I was made aware of the easement and advised that because of increased need for power at the Midas Gold Mining site, power lines would be increased to nearly 4 times what they are carrying now. Not to mention the poles would be changed out to a larger size to accommodate the work load of the powering generated. I immediately contacted Idaho Power and Midas Gold who both sent representatives out to my property to personally meet with me and discuss the ramifications of this upgrade to the lines. I should mention that all the representatives agreed the lines would be a determent to my property, destroying the physical beauty of my land as well as posing a potential health risk. History has shown in California and Idaho that power lines through such residential areas can have catastrophic consequences should they go down within populated areas. Midas Gold has proposed moving the lines to an area out of our subdivision, referred to as Alternative 2 of DEIS. Please, please allow them to move the lines out of the subdivision. I can't imagine living with these lines increased by 4X directly next to my home!I feel that the forest service needs to completely investigate whether the project will positively impact the environment in the years to come. Based on that evidence, determine if in fact the mine will contribute for the betterment of our community and the beautiful mountains we share. Not just for today, but for the future of this area years from now. If the project does go through, please ..... please grant Midas Gold the ability to move the power lines away from our subdivision. I ask one question ..... .Would You want these huee lines running directly adjacent to vour familv home?Please visit our subdivision personally, to see the impact these power would project.Thank you for your time and consideration.