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Comments: To Whom it May Concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the powerline project through Minturn.

I appreciate the need for electric power redundancy and think that the additional power line is a worthwhile project.

However, I believe every possible measure to eliminate any fire hazard associated with the project should be taken. Thankfully you are proposing to underground the line through a portion of the town, but I think it should be undergrounded the entire way to Gilman. I make this comment not just as a resident of Minturn but also as a Director of another water district located in a similar mountain town setting where the threat of fire is the single greatest threat to our surface water supplies. Should a fire propagate from this line to Minturn's watershed less than a mile away it could completely overwhelm the ability of the town of Minturn to treat its water supply.

Please require the developer of this powerline to use the most fire safe design on this project and assure the protection of our water supply.

Thank you

Robert