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Comments: I strongly oppose the APS transmission line to be done above ground. This project would greatly affect my property . My ranch is 4.5 acres in which the current power lines go along the entire length of my property. These lines (if done above ground) would greatly increase the fire risk and put us in more danger than the current power lines. We sustain high winds frequently and after this extremely dry winter we are even more concerned. We have a donkey rescue at our property, and this would be disastrous if this project is allowed to commence above ground. We also have a horse ranch that is adjacent to our property and this would pose a great risk for these animals as well. Not to mention the native trees and landscape that would be lost if a fire were to break out. Adjacent to our property on the left side of our fence (where the current power lines line the fence) is a known natural habitat for many species of birds. We have photographers that frequently photograph the many species of birds that are frequently seen on that acreage. It will be just devastating to allow these power lines to be done above ground. Another huge concern is that our homeowners insurance will either be cancelled or become unaffordable due to this project. I just don't understand why the majority of these power lines will be done below ground but the 2.5 miles that will go through our neighborhoods in the VOC will be done above ground. I sincerely hope there will be a shift to do this project underground. Lives, habitats and homes deserve to be protected!