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Comments: To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing in opposition to certain aspects of the Gilman - Avon transmission line plan.

While I am in favor of the redundancy and additional capacity for the Eagle River valley that this project will provide, I believe that the above-ground portion from Minturn to the Eagle-Vail substation should be buried for the following reasons.

- * Additional EMP emissions along Meadow Mountain and the Everkrisp trail
- * The view corridor will be further impacted in this natural area
- * Most importantly, however, is the possible limitations to wildfire response and first responder operability for the entire upper valley (including all Holy Cross assets and USFS land). Specifically, helicopter assets may not be able to use the Homestake Peak School parking areas for staging, refuel and/or slurry reload.

For these reasons, please insist that Holy Cross spend the additional funds necessary to bury this portion of the line along current rights of way to the greatest extent possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.