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Comments: As a Minturn full time resident and homeowner of 13 years, the draw to move to Minturn was the natural beauty. 3.3 miles of power lines even with half of it buried is an eye sore and puts our town at higher risk of fire. I enjoy looking out and seeing the elk and the deer and the beautiful hillside in it's natural state.

With additional powerlines traveling nearby the already very dangerous and controversial gun range, the town of Minturn is at much higher risk for fires. Most of the most catastrophic fires in the west have been caused by powerlines and we are exposing ourselves to much greater risk with this project. I strongly oppose the entire project due to the aesthetics, risk and also disruption it will cause to our beautiful natural environment and wildlife.

If the project has to move forward I feel the entirety of the lines need to be buried for safety and beauty. The reason I moved to Minturn was the beautiful natural surroundings and it doesn't seem fair to have that view corridor compromised, as well as put our whole town at risk of burning down, for a project that Minturn residents do not benefit from. I appreciate your consideration in burying the entire line- while I understand it is more expensive, it is the ethical and responsible thing to do.