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Schultz-Hanford Area Transmission Line Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Comment Form

1. What are your comments on the Preferred Alternative? The preferred alternative is fine except for the Sickler re route. Our home is located on property that will be affected by this action. Please reconsider the point at which the reroute angles northeast after leaving Shultz. Please locate this point farther east so the line doesn't cross the Puget line where you propose currently. It would have a very adverse affect on our view to have this line cross the meadow below our house and have a new tower on the beautiful columnar basalt bluff that I enjoy meditating on as I do dishes! (The rattlesnakes would appreciate it too.)

30-1

2. What are your comments on other alternatives?

3. I need more information about

4. Additional comments Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Melinda Arnold

☐ Please put me on your project mailing list. (You are already on the mail list if you have received mailed notice.)

☐ Please remove me from the project mailing list.

Name Melinda & Frank Arnold

Address 14442 Wilson Creek Rd

Please send comments by March 25, 2002 to:

Bonneville Power Administration
Public Affairs Office - KC
P.O. Box 12999
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1. What are your comments on the Preferred Alternative? My opinion on The Preferred Route is That it should follow The existing Route as close as Possible with out any Diviations.

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2. What are your comments on other alternatives? The other Alternatives Do not seem Plausible or Financially Possible either for us as Land owner or The B.P.A.

31-2

3. I need more information about

4. Additional comments As a Land owner I Do not agree with any Alternate Routes or Diviations of This power Line

31-3

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Name Kevin K Barnhart - Land owner + Rancher. Barnhart + Sons Ranch

Address 1790 Colockum Rd.

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1. What are your comments on the Preferred Alternative?
We're immediately south of The substation ~~[illegible]~~ west of Wilson Creek Road. It appears that none of The alternatives will affect us

2. What are your comments on other alternatives?

3. I need more information about

4. Additional comments

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Name [illegible]

Address [illegible] Ellensburg, WA 98926

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1. What are your comments on the Preferred Alternative?

2. What are your comments on other alternatives?

3. I need more information about

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4. Additional comments Before entering property - Please call - 925-3576 - This includes appraisers, environmental people and B.P.A.

☐ Please put me on your project mailing list. (You are already on the mail list if you have received mailed notice.)

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Name Bud Dunning

Address 3990 Brick Mill Rd Ellensburg

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1. What are your comments on the Preferred Alternative?

2. What are your comments on other alternatives?

3. I need more information about

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4. Additional comments

Please do not bring any more
please do not bring anymore
Transmission lines through our
transmission lines through our
Valley – There are many Indian
Valley – There are Many Indian
sites in that area that need to be
Sites in that area that need to be
respected – by you – by us.
~~respected~~ respected – by you – by us.

☐ Please put me on your project mailing list. (You are already on the mail list if you have received mailed notice.)

☐ Please remove me from the project mailing list.

Name [illegible]

Address 404 [illegible]

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1. What are your comments on the Preferred Alternative? The preferred route through the Sage brush lands should be the route for the new line. This will have the least impact on the ~~[illegible]~~ Valley residents.

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2. What are your comments on other alternatives? The alternate route is not good. This route will have a very negative effect on Some of Ellensburgs most prestine ranches

3. I need more information about

35-3

4. Additional comments

The BPA should not reroute the ~~[illegible]~~ preferred route to preserve the native lands at the expense of non native lands and non native residents.
The BPA should pay the price to the natives to keep the lines on the preferred route

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Name Rory Savage

Address 808 So. Main, Ellensburg, Wa 98926

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TRANSMISSION AGENCY OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

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February 20, 2002

Mr. Lou Driessen
Project Manager
Bonneville Power Administration
P. O. Box 491
Vancouver, WA 98666-0491

Subject: Schultz-Hanford Area 500-kV Transmission Line Project

Dear Mr. Driessen:

The Transmission Agency of Northern California (TANC) would like to express its support of the proposed Schultz-Hanford Area Transmission Line Project. As the project manager for the California-Oregon Transmission Project (COTP), which was energized in 1993, TANC and its 15 utility Members and our other COTP Participants utilize the Interties to buy, sell, and exchange power with the Pacific Northwest (PNW). The Schultz-Hanford Area Project should significantly improve the grid capabilities to the PNW.

36-1 Therefore, TANC strongly supports BPA's goal to maintain system reliability and optimize transmission usage through the construction of the Schultz-Hanford Transmission Project. We support completion of this project at the earliest practical date.

Sincerely,

James H. Pope,
Chairman

A Public Entity whose Members include:
Alameda, Biggs, Gridley, Healdsburg, Lodi, Lompoc, Modesto Irrigation District, Palo Alto, Plumas-Sierra Rural Electric Cooperative, Redding, Roseville, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, Santa Clara, Turlock Irrigation District, Ukiah

SCHULTZ-HANFORD AREA TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

Ellensburg, WA

February 26, 2002 4 – 7 pm

Hall Holmes Community Center, 201 Ruby Street

EL-1 Would like construction to occur outside times of increased moisture.

EL-2 Naneum Creek has sustained flow throughout year. (low flow Aug-Nov)

EL-3 The crossing of creek near my property (sheet 3 of aerial photomaps) should not be used as a continued use crossing.

EL-4 Instrument approach to Runway 11-29 far SE end of approach affected by elevation change. Will the elevation of the towers affect the approach onto Bowers field?

EL-5 Rattle snake dens near Wilson Creek, have they been taken into consideration?

EL-6 We don't like the re-route around the tribal allotment.

EL-7 Nap weeds need to be taken care of on Coulee line.

EL-8 Did the landowner declare an objection during the scoping period?

EL-9 How many acres will Wautoma take?

EL-10 The preferred route will be the easiest to build.

EL-11 We have many pumps on our farm land and like having power to them.

EL-12 Concerned about re-route thru property.

EL-13 Sickler-Schultz goes right by our house. Can we move it more to the west to avoid our house? We really don't want the line where you propose. Will our comments really be considered? My dad lost his land to Schultz Substation.

EL-14 Do we have to go around Indian land?

EL-15 We don't like the re-route around the tribal allotment. (x3)

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EL-16 Are there any plans west of Schultz Sub within the next 10 to 20 years?

EL-17 Why aren't lines being double circuited in other areas in addition to irrigated areas?

EL-18 Why was Schultz sub constructed?

EL-19 How much more power will this line bring from Grand Coulee?

EL-20 Where will the line be located with regards to Cooke Canyon?

EL-21 Doesn't want anymore power lines on property. Land will lose its value with another transmission line for recreational building site.

EL-22 Appraisers were insulting to landowner when doing appraisal. They said land wasn't worth much.

EL-23 Third generation landowner doesn't want another power line, if power line wants total buy out of 160 acres.

EL-24 When entering property, BPA and it's contractors should call first.

EL-25 County Commissioners have not been met with yet, would like meeting.

EL-26 Regarding route around tribal allotment, Cooke/Coleman Ranch recently paid to bury powerlines on property so he wouldn't see it anymore. Now he would have to see two high voltage lines.

EL-27 Why route around the tribal allotment at all. There are no cultural uses of that property.

EL-28 The existing line loses a lot of power - noise and losses. Why not reconductor the existing line while we're at it?

EL-29 Why not double circuit the existing line and the new line?

EL-30 Concerned about access roads. Worried about public using roads. Any roads installed are a problem, gates and fences can be hard to maintain.

EL-31 BPA people do not close gates behind them.

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EL-32 Why don't studies address the density of human population, in relation to the line?

EL-33 Why can't we double circuit all of the lines?

EL-34 What are the differences in tower types? Is one better then the other?

EL-35 Is there a map that shows the tower location?

EL-36 Will someone be contacting landowners to compensate for easement?

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SCHULTZ-HANFORD AREA TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT
Desert Aire, WA
February 27, 2002 4 – 7 pm
Sage Brush Senior Center, 441 Desert Aire Drive

DA-1 Winter is the best time for construction through irrigated area. Orchards: Oct.-March 1, Vineyards: mid Oct.- March 1, and Row Crops: Oct. - March 1

DA-2 Noise is an issue - Use best design to reduce magnetic/electric fields.

DA-2 OK with real paralleling, like the preferred does.

DA-2 BPA is doing a real good job of Public Involvement.

DA-2 Preferred route is best.

DA-3 Stay parallel.

DA-4 Keep towers adjacent to existing, at Crab Creek.

DA-5 When will we know tower locations?

DA-6 Stay away from sensitive plants.

DA-7 Thru agriculture / irrigation stay in same existing right-of-way and replace existing towers with new larger towers. Agrees with preferred.

DA-8 Move, if possible, new towers next to roads.

DA-9 Double circuit through irrigated areas is preferred.

DA-10 Include insulators on transmission lines, where they cross roads (on both sides of road).

DA-11 Federal purchase of private land (i.e., Wautoma site) reduces tax income to Counties and State. How do we compensate for lost income?

DA-12 Wants to connect wind farm from 75 MW near Wautoma.

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DA-13 50-75 feet of is right-of-way (Railroad Easement) along river (Westside) - Auvill Ranch to Midway.

DA-14 Look at using an alternative on westside along abandoned railroad along Columbia River. Currently being used to herd cattle.

DA-15 Concerned line will go through orchard.

DA-16 Will lines be going into Vantage Substation or Midway Substation?

DA-17 Suggestion: All BPA employees at open house be provided with BPA 1090 shirts at BPA's expense.

DA-18 Concerned about route of preferred route.

DA-20 Will there be a mitigating plan prepared for the agricultural farms where the line crosses?

DA-21 Do the lights on towers at the Columbia River crossing meet FAA requirements?

DA-22 Check map in regards to refuge and private land.

DA-23 When are the cultural resource surveys scheduled to begin?

DA-24 Who will be contracted to perform the cultural resource surveys?

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Desert Aire, WA February 27, 2002

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SCHULTZ-HANFORD AREA TRANSMISSION LINE PROJECT

Richland, WA

February 28, 2002 4 – 7 pm

Richland Days Inn, 615 Jadwin Avenue

RI-1 What are the proposed energization dates of the G-9 projects?

RI-2 Minimize impact on scrub steppe (microbolic crust), during construction and foot print of the line. — It's disappearing, doesn't re-grow when disturbed.

RI-3 There needs to be a map in the Executive Summary.

RI-4 Lower Columbia Audubon Society is mostly concerned with the Hanford Monument.

RI-5 Preference is that BPA does not cross the Monument at all.

RI-6 Second preference is to use the same footprint as the existing across the Monument. i.e., Double Circuit.

RI-7 Maps are not accurate. The Hanford Reservation is labeled as the Monument.

RI-8 Maps are confusing.

RI-9 BPA needs a map that shows the preferred route crossing the Monument.

RI-10 There's no specific reference to affected resources that are identified to be on the Hanford Monument.

RI-11 BPA needs to make special care to protect the Hanford Monument resources. Resources are: Habitat, Wildlife, and Visual.

RI-12 BPA needs to work very closely with US Fish & Wildlife.

RI-13 The executive summary should be re-issued for a Draft Review with maps.

RI-14 BPA is continuing to affect habitat and must mitigate for habitat loss. Replacement of shrub steppe habitat in Benton County, by the McWhorter Ranch.

Richland, WA February 28, 2002

RI-15 Executive summary is kind of confusing.

RI-16 Once land is made invaluable, would BPA like to buy property?

RI-17 Glad that alternative 3 is not being used.

RI-18 BPA should do formal hearings.

RI-19 Contact DOE in reference to the LIGO (Laser Interfermetric Gravitational Observatory) Operations.

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Richland, WA February 28, 2002

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