

Dear Ms Monroe---

I am a legal resident of Franconia, NH. I own a home, several businesses, and have commercial buildings just outside the center of Franconia. All buildings are attractive, designed, and with significant and maintained landscaping.

Unfortunately these are now on the re-adjusted route for Northern Pass. (RT. 116) They would be digging up my front lawn, and have just cut some very nice trees. At 76---I do not look forward to this invasion of a small town and its residential streets.

I am basically against the Northern Pass / Eversource project in any fashion, as I have watched big business / big government over many decades continually degrade the quality of our landscapes---all in the name of necessary progress.

I also know there has to be a balance achieved to reach a number of goals. And --- this is not an easy task.

Northern Pass and Eversource have been battering towns, the state and many individuals with pressure, financial carrots and constant lobbying.

To many---Route 93 is still an eyesore and should not have gone through Franconia Notch. That is all history now---but the corridor is there. -I understand the line could not follow that route *(buried) for some legal reasons. So---with the more recent change in route---they may be able to get away with a strange zigzagging, back and forth through small towns. To a layman-----It does seem strange that if the Federal and State Governments won't allow a straight shot route---that it would then be all right to take advantage of the small town neighborhoods to get a path.

My family lost their property back when Route 93 tore through the center of the small village. I implore your agency to give voice to my small town and many others that may be effected in letting this big business conglomerate sweep through our state.

Respectfully-----all the palms they are greasing are just not worth losing our voice and our quality of life. My health and the weather did not permit me to get to the large Plymouth meeting (storm that night). I also don't think they are a good venue to get the opinions of concerned people-----and many of these people can't get to such meetings and are uncomfortable at them.

Projects of this size should have smaller town forums for citizens/ landowners to participate WITHOUT BEING PRESSURED by the Mega Businesses or the Town Fathers. Also there has been no attempt by Eversource / Northern Pass to talk to property owners along these routes. Their propaganda mailers stating their great and wonderful plans don't pass the test of getting out real and personal information.

I'm sorry to have been long winded---but this is a topic of great concern. I have been physically laid up and have not been able to participate as I would have liked in these issues.

If I could be of any help to you or any of your committee---I would be most willing.

Thank you,

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