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I understand that Northern Pass proposes to construct a transmission line that would run 192 miles from wild and remote northern Coos County to historic Deerfield near the Massachusetts border.

As a retiree in Maine who loves the outdoors, I feel strongly the need to support the 31 out of 32 communities along the project's proposed path that have voted to oppose the project.

This 192-mile construction would permanently scar the scenic and cultural values of New Hampshire's landscape, by clear-cutting 40 new miles of right-of-way in Coos County and building more than 1100 new steel lattice or monopole towers up to 160 feet high on the existing right of way through 132 miles of New Hampshire.

Besides personally enjoying the outdoors in New Hampshire, I am more broadly concerned about the impacts this construction would have on tourism and on visitors coming to New Hampshire to experience its relatively undeveloped and remote character.

Finally, I am appalled at the failure of the applicant to consider alternatives that would avoid or minimize impacts to New Hampshire, such as burying all 192 miles within already disturbed transportation corridors.