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Hi,

There seems to be a lot concern about the impact on businesses and residents while the power line is being buried. I always considered the towers that go through Bedford to be a terrible eyesore.

I was wondering why I-93 corridor isn't being considered as a site for the power line. I understand that is federal land, but what is the difference whether the line goes underground or state vs federal land? Some people have said the state will get income if the line goes on state property and that revenue would be lost if the line went down 93.

If that is the case, it would seem plausible for the state, Northern Pass, and the federal government to work out an arrangement that benefits everyone, including the residents. When Cannon Mountain wanted to expand the ski area they were able to trade some state property in exchange for federal land abutting Cannon. In this age of the "art of the deal" why can't someone find out what would satisfy all parties if some kind of land deal were considered with the feds to make the state happy, provide a logical corridor for the line and keep the residents happy too.

For the record, I oppose Northern Pass as currently planned, but if it was buried on the I-93 corridor I could support it.

Best regards,
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