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I feel that the Northern Pass project benefits Eversource more than the people of NH. The jobs that it will create would be temporary during the construction phase, beyond that only professionals would be needed and not blue collar workers. The impact on our scenery cannot be foretold until after construction and the beauty of our mountains and forests is a huge draw for tourists. Eversource does not want to bury the lines because it will make a dent in its projected profit margin.

I live next to the Webster lake substation and many years ago there was a lot of activity so I contacted Eversource and asked what was going on. Their response was, "We are doing some maintenance" a few months later the size of the sub-station was doubled. They also purchased several properties that abut this sub-station and demolished the houses.

No one in the neighborhood had been contacted prior to their plans and we had to go the town website to see their plans for the property.

The town of Franklin believes that the Northern Pass will save the town with much needed revenue. That appears to be their only concern and many people in town have just given up with the belief that they, the town and Eversource, will get what they want. Why must profit always override the decent thing to do?

I believe that the Northern Pass is mainly for southern New England and not New Hampshire. If energy is need that badly then maybe the government should help with the cost and get the lines buried, then everybody wins.