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Why, the new route? This whole project was suppose to start in Plittsburg, the original entry from Canada. ".... The new route is designed to take into account, the public's desire to keep transmission towers out of sight as much as possible....." (this was taken from the News Article in The Berlin Reporter, July 2, 2013) Public's desire? So, does this mean that the new route, using the OLD EASEMENTS, is in the Public's desire? NO, it's a business agreement between huge Corporations. Over the years, the Public has little to nothing to say about it. Even our New Hampshire Supreme Court, doesn't want to hear any cases about this "hostile" use of these old easements. Over the years, attending the PUC & SEC meetings I listened to the Attorney's for Eversource (PSNH) and to the Groups and private citizens, who are stating how these towers will cause total destruction of New Hampshire's Coos County's Great North Woods. The fact that Eversource (PSNH), can use these old easements, to place these huge towers, and not one (1) but two (2) towers on these easements and stating it is not their position to prove they can, it's up to the property owners to prove they can't. Just to inform the Public, the easement states, "... electric pole placed in the middle of the one hundred and fifty feet (150') easement..." PSNH bought the easements sixty (60) plus years ago, for \$20.00 per acre, from people who wanted electricity brought to rural New Hampshire. These people signed voluntarily because they needed the electricity. They did not sign for the Northern Pass. There will be two towers, the taller of the two, being placed near the north side of the easement and second line being placed towards the southern side, close to the already existing Portland Gas Line, which also is running along the southern side. Then, if this isn't an example of "Corporate Greed", Eversource (PSNH) is going to lease these easement to Northern Pass, for a six (6) figure yearly amount. Let's see here, if the yearly property taxes on these easements are paid by the OWNER'S, how can you lease something you DO NOT OWN. It will also destroy property owners water supplies and natural water ways. STOP THIS MADNESS, NEW HAMPSHIRE IS NOT AN EXTENTION CORD.