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I am writing to urge you to reject the electrical project known as the Northern Pass. The Northern Pass will damage New Hampshire's natural heritage and environment, marring the scenic landscape with over 1,800 towers up to 155 feet high and intersecting the White Mountain National Forest. The project will cause drastic, adverse impacts to wetlands, habitat areas, scenic resources, historical sites, and the local tourism economy.

I know this personally because one of the many properties that will be irreparably damaged is my brother's home in Bristol on Old Stage Road. It is also where he farms on environmentally easement property. His home is an early 1800's year old farmhouse on 200 acres of pristine forest and open fields, much of it put into an environmental easement. If this project goes through we will have a huge, buzzing tower in his front yard—literally right where his cows graze. What is the purpose of having an environmental easement with a 155 foot electrical tower pulsating and buzzing 24 hours a day 360 day a year on the same property?

His farm is only one of many family homesteads to be affected by this disastrous project. New Hampshire is one of the few rural and wild and pristine states we have left on the east coast. How can we possibly decide that preserving it for future generations is less important than a temporary fix for electricity? There are multiple more environmentally sound ways to accomplish the same thing. If nothing else, the power lines should be buried so that they can be sheltered from the elements and more easily repairs.

We are asking you contemplate having this monstrosity of a tower on your own front lawn, to think of your children and grandchildren and great grand children, to think about what kind of a world you want to leave behind and then to use all the powers that you have to make the environmentally right decision and vote against selecting the Northern Pass project.

Thank you so much for your time and attention to this matter.