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B2H Comments

These B2H related comments are sent by email at comment@boardmantohemingway.com. I am making these comments on behalf of the Oregon Historic Trails Advisory Council. I appreciate being a part of the process in developing the B2H Programmatic Agreement. I also appreciate the work that has gone into developing the Draft Environmental Impact Statement that has been presented for comment.

I have repeatedly requested larger and more detailed maps of the main and alternative routes as they relate to the Oregon Trail and other designated historic trails in Oregon. Except for early maps they have not been sent. The online maps do not give sufficient details to judge the potential impact on the trail or the views from the trail looking toward transmission lines , towers, and roads.

The impact on sage grouse habitat in the B2H project area should be further studied. That extensive EIS draft study has not been finalized.

Wherever there is potential impact to any designated historic trail in Oregon, adequate mitigation will be necessary. Mitigation should not be restricted to the immediate area of the impact because that limits options.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments and revisions in the DEIS.

Yours truly,

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