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After review of the documentation pertaining to the proposed B2H transmission line project, it is apparent that the proposal is inconsistent with the intent of BLM's NSHT Plan of 2006 as it pertains to protection of trail resources. The proposed route too closely follows the Oregon Trail, which must necessarily be avoided if its integrity is to be maintained. Such trails do not recover from intrusion. Visual impacts must also be considered in the same light.

It would appear that the applicant was not aware of the location of the Oregon Trail or simply didn't care what impacts the project would have on the Trail. Either possibility is not acceptable and negates the project as it currently exists.

Sincere thanks for the opportunity to respond to this issue and best wishes in all your endeavors.

Respectfully Submitted,



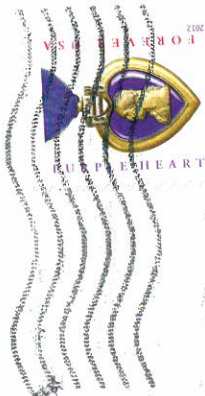
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