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**Subject:** Wood River Valley 138KV Transmission Line Questions for 11/10 meeting  
**Attachments:** Questions IPCo 2nd T-Line Public Hearing 11Nov2016.docx

My name is Matthew Siegel. I am Vice President of the Coyote Bluff housing association. I am writing in response to the redundant T-Line proposal meeting scheduled for this Thursday. Attached are the requested questions from the homeowners of Coyote Bluff subdivision for the scheduled meeting on Thursday, November 10th. Please submit this document (attached) on behalf of the Coyote Bluff homeowners and let me know if there are any questions.

Regards,

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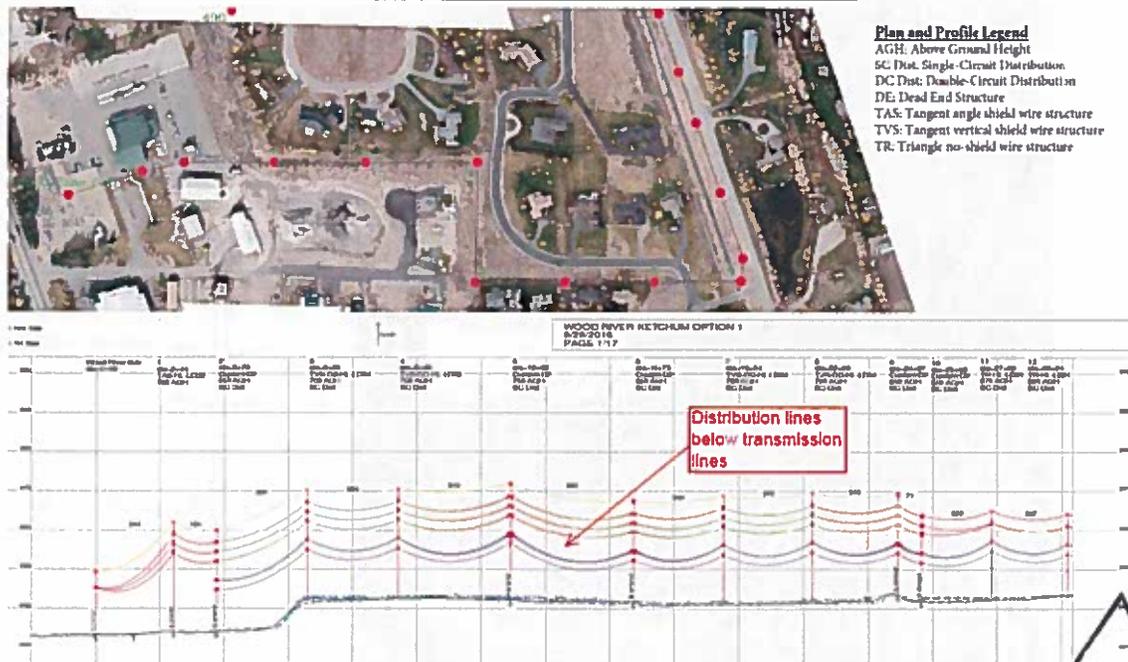


**Idaho Power Transmission Line from North of Hailey to Sun Valley CUP  
Blaine County Planning and Zoning Commission Public Hearing  
Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

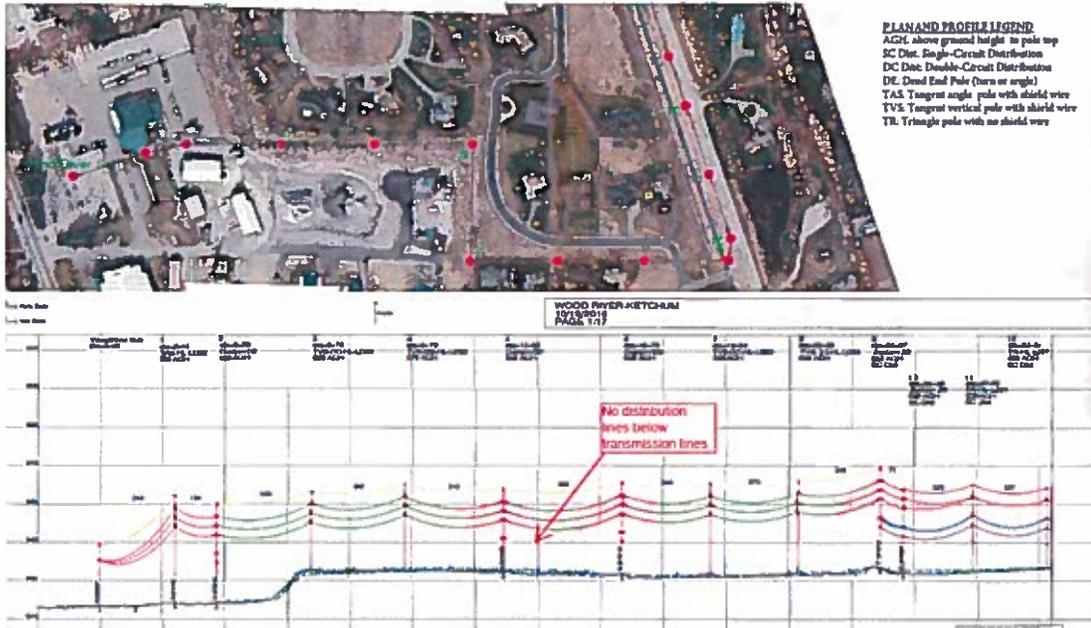
**Questions:**

1. If burying an additional mile of underground transmission from St. Luke's Medical Center to Elkhorn Road is \$2.6 million, what is the cost to bury the approximately 2,400 feet (less than 1/2 mile) section from Wood River Substation to Buttercup Road where many homes in north Hailey (Northridge) and south Blaine County (Coyote Bluff, Silver Sage, DOT) are affected?
2. If the county ordinance-required 150 feet setback from residences cannot be met, why couldn't the County Planning and Zoning Commission impose condition to bury the section between the Wood River Substation and Buttercup Road as an acceptable compromise?
3. Is a new distribution circuit also being added to the second transmission line in the section from Wood River Substation to Buttercup Road? Earlier version of submitted plan and profile drawing showed the distribution lines but it is not shown in the updated version. However, the proposed structure simulation photo still showed the distribution lines. There is a discrepancy. Which is correct?

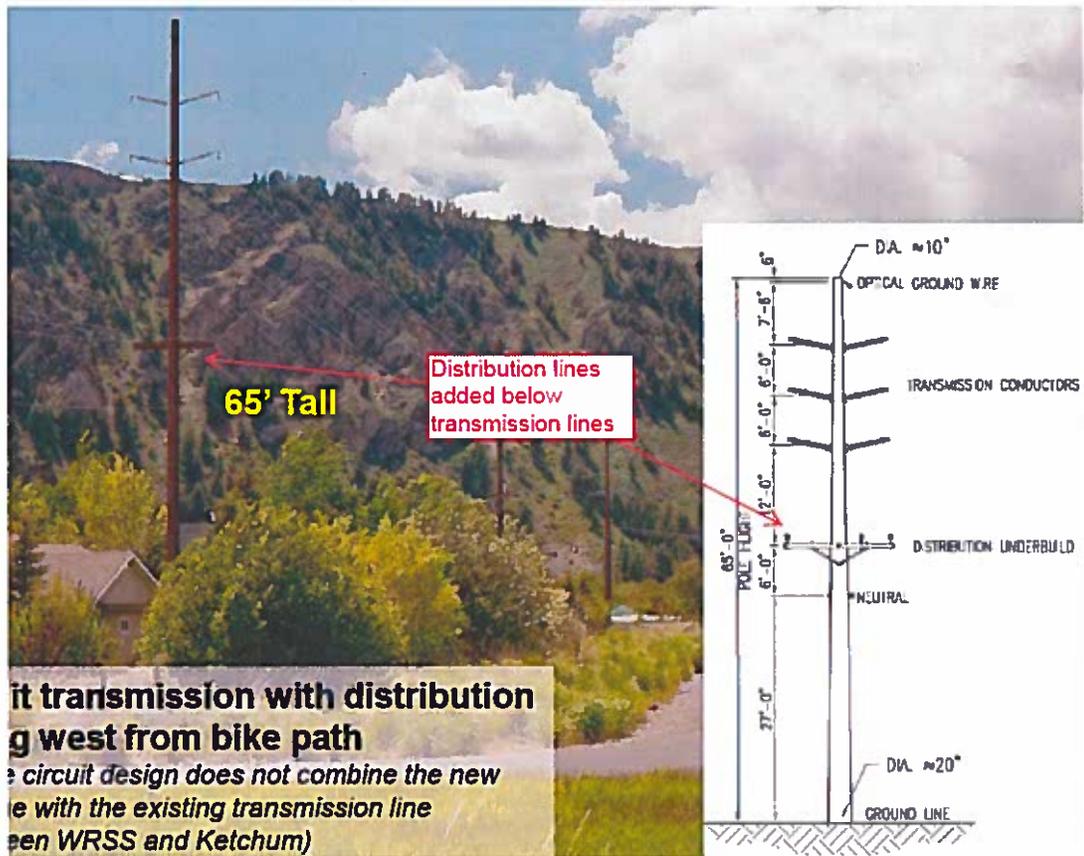
**Original version shows added distribution lines below transmission lines**



Updated version shows distribution lines taken out.



Structure simulation photo still shows distribution lines



4. Since the reliability of power supply to the north has been really good with very few outages and the main concern is potential prolong outage for repair to restore service on the existing transmission line up in the mountainous section above East Fork in the event of a failure during winter, does it make sense to consider abandoning this existing line and switch to the new transmission line when it is built which is more accessible along Highway 75 and will not have woodpecker problem with the steel poles? This will improve reliability and there will be annual cost savings in not having to maintain the old transmission line. Existing transmission from Wood River Substation to Buttercup Road will not require changing, thus also reduces overall project capital cost. However, this option ignores the need for redundancy and additional future capacity provided by the second transmission line.