

COMMENT 664

June 20, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Thank you for recognizing the regional environmental impact of the Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine operations on the Four Corners region by issuing an Environmental Impact Statement.

Please heed this message and recognize the crucial importance of limiting fossil-fuel extraction and processing. Our health and the health of our earth are at stake.

unfortunately, your agency's Environmental Impact Statement does not adequately address the power plant and mine's major negative impacts on our climate and on health in the Four Corners region. 664.001

Under the proposal, Four Corners Power Plant would continue to produce coal pollution for 25 more years in a region that has long suffered the ill effects of dirty-energy extraction.

The Department of Interior is charged with assessing the full environmental, public-health and economic impacts of prolonging these coal operations and thoroughly investigating alternatives to prolonging coal production in light of rapidly shifting energy economics and the full scope of likely coal costs that loom.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant. 664.002

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The closure of the oldest three units and planned improvements to its two biggest units would still leave 80 percent of the Four Corners Power Plant pumping carbon and other pollutants far into the future, further delaying the necessary and urgent transition to cleaner-energy technologies. 664.003

Global warming poses a major threat to national security, our economy and water and food availability. Coal-fired power plants are the largest source of carbon emissions, the most significant human contribution to warming.

Approval of the mine expansion and 25 more years of coal at Four

Comment Letter 664.....Winkel, C.

Response 664.001

Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

Response 664.002

Please see Master Response #2, Alternatives and Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS.

Response 664.003

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Four Corners Power Plant will stall for too long the significant reduction of greenhouse gases that scientists and the EPA tell us is necessary to avoid the most catastrophic effects of climate change.

Many residents of the Navajo Nation do not have electric power even as they suffer the health and safety consequences of living near two coal-fired power plants and a coal mine.

You have an opportunity to help the Navajo Nation and other Southwest communities reap the benefits of clean energy and break free of the destructive impacts of coal pollution. Significant clean-energy investment in the Four Corners would create new jobs for those displaced by scaled-back coal power.

Please consider forward-looking alternatives rather than risking the well-being of the Navajo Nation, the Four Corners region and the planet on the continued viability of coal for decades into the future.

Sincerely,

Carol Winkel

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COMMENT 665 - 977

Sent: Sat Jun 28 2014 10:19:04 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 28, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Thank you for recognizing the regional environmental impact of the Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine operations on the Four Corners region by issuing an Environmental Impact Statement.

However, your agency's Environmental Impact Statement does not adequately address the power plant and mine's major negative impacts on our climate and on health in the Four Corners region. 001

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Comment Letter 665–977..... Wild Earth Guardians
(see Section 3 for individual names representing this organization)

Response 001

Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

COMMENT 665 - 977

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant.

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003

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Sincerely,

Response 002

Please see Master Response #2, Alternatives and Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS.

Response 003

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COMMENT 978

CONVERSION COMMENTS

GO SOLAR AND WIND - WIND DOWN THE COAL PLANT ! Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Joel Goldblatt [REDACTED]

From: Joel Goldblatt [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 18:17:29 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: GO SOLAR AND WIND - WIND DOWN THE COAL PLANT ! Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 27, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

BUT THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE !!! WIND DOWN THE PLANT AND ADD SOLAR AND WIND THERE !! 978.001

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However, your agency's Environmental Impact Statement does not adequately address the power plant and mine's major negative impacts on our climate and on health in the Four Corners region. 978.002

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I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant. 978.003

Comment Letter 978..... Goldblatt, J.

Response 978.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 978.002

Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis

Response 978.003

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COMMENT 978

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↑ 978.003

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Many residents of the Navajo Nation do not have electric power even as they suffer the health and safety consequences of living near two coal-fired power plants and a coal mine.

You have an opportunity to help the Navajo Nation and other Southwest communities reap the benefits of clean energy and break free of the destructive impacts of coal pollution. Significant clean-energy investment in the Four Corners would create new jobs for those displaced by scaled-back coal power.

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Sincerely,

Joel Goldblatt



Response 978.004

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COMMENT 979 - 1024

To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 28, 2014

Marcelo Calle

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Comment Letter 979–1024..... Wild Earth Guardians
(see Section 3 for individual names representing this organization)

Response 001

Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

COMMENT 979 - 1024

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Sincerely,

Response 002

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Response 003

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COMMENT 1025

Jun 29, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Thank you for recognizing the regional environmental impact of the Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine operations on the Four Corners region by issuing an Environmental Impact Statement.

However, your agency's Environmental Impact Statement does not adequately address the power plant and mine's major negative impacts on our climate and on health in the Four Corners region. 1025.001

The Department of Interior is charged with assessing the full environmental, public-health and economic impacts of prolonging these coal operations. Please thoroughly investigate alternatives to prolonging coal production in light of rapidly shifting energy economics.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant. Then, the Environmental Impact Statement should be reissued for public comment. Only when the impacts and costs of the plant are properly spelled out and appropriate alternatives are considered will OSM have a rational basis for making any decision regarding the mine and plant. 1025.002

Global warming poses a major threat to national security, our economy and water and food availability. Coal-fired power plants are the LARGEST source of carbon emissions, the most significant human contribution to warming.

Approval of the mine expansion and 25 more years of coal at Four Corners Power Plant would be a big mistake. Many residents of the Navajo Nation do not have electric power even as they suffer the health and safety consequences of living near two coal-fired power plants and a coal mine.

You have an opportunity to help the Navajo Nation and other Southwest communities reap the benefits of clean energy and break free of the destructive impacts of coal pollution. Significant clean-energy investment in the Four Corners would create new jobs for those displaced by scaled-back coal power.

Please consider forward-looking alternatives rather than risking the well-being of the Navajo Nation, the Four Corners region and the planet on the continued viability of coal for decades into the future. It's time for a change. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Willow Murphy



Comment Letter 1025..... Murphy, W.

Response 1025.001

Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

Response 1025.002

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives and Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT 1026

Jun 28, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Hi! I'm glad to see your agency issue an EIS for the Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine. Just wondering if you have heard about global warming? If so I can't imagine why you would consider issuing a green light for another 25 years of filthy coal emissions, ruining the health of the Navajo Nation and destroying our climate. We need a clean energy alternative for the four corners and all our other power plants currently using coal. If the fossil fuel industry would keep its millions from corrupting our political process this changeover would already be complete.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant. 1026.001

After OSM has made these corrections, the Environmental Impact Statement should be reissued for public comment. Only when the impacts and costs of the plant are properly spelled out and appropriate alternatives are considered will OSM have a rational basis for making any decision regarding the mine and plant.

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Many residents of the Navajo Nation do not have electric power even as they suffer the health and safety consequences of living near two coal-fired power plants and a coal mine.

You have an opportunity to help the Navajo Nation and other Southwest communities reap the benefits of clean energy and break free of the destructive impacts of coal pollution. Significant clean-energy

Comment Letter 1026..... Enson, B.

Response 1026.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives and Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS.

Response 1026.002

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COMMENT 1026

Investment in the Four Corners would create new jobs for those displaced by scaled-back coal power.

Please consider forward-looking alternatives rather than risking the well-being of the Navajo Nation, the Four Corners region and the planet on the continued viability of coal for decades into the future.

Sincerely,

Beth Enson

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COMMENT 1027

Mary Ownby [REDACTED]

From: Mary Ownby [REDACTED]
Sent: Sat Jun 28 2014 09:18:57 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Alternatives to coal

Jun 28, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant.

1027.001

After OSM has made these corrections, the Environmental Impact Statement should be reissued for public comment. Only when the impacts and costs of the plant are properly spelled out and appropriate alternatives are considered will OSM have a rational basis for making any decision regarding the mine and plant.

Please consider forward-looking alternatives rather than risking the well-being of the Navajo Nation, the Four Corners region and the planet on the continued viability of coal for decades into the future.

Sincerely,

Mary Ownby
[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1027.....Ownby, M.

Response 1027.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives and Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT 1028

Ellen Robinson [REDACTED]

From: Ellen Robinson [REDACTED]
Sent: Sat Jun 28 2014 07:48:35 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 28, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant.

↓ 1028.001

You have an opportunity to help the Navajo Nation and other Southwest communities reap the benefits of clean energy and break free of the destructive impacts of coal pollution. Significant clean-energy investment in the Four Corners would create new jobs for those displaced by scaled-back coal power.

↑ 1028.001

Please consider forward-looking alternatives rather than risking the well-being of the Navajo Nation, the Four Corners region and the planet on the continued viability of coal for decades into the future.

Sincerely,

Ellen Robinson
[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1028.....Robinson, E.

Response 1028.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives and Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT 1029

From: Adam Hill [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 20:17:45 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 27, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

The coal plants are toxic, the air pays the price as does the water and the land.

Please consider placing government owned solar panels in the median of the major interstates in the Southwest. Ample power could be generated to displace the need for the air polluting coal plants at a reasonable rate using land that has already been developed and already has road access and in most cases easy access to existing transmission lines.

1029.001

This would create jobs, decrease the rate consumers pay for electricity, and be able to sustain itself largely if not entirely from the revenue generated by the electricity.

If we don't change our behavior we will destabilize the climate, and leave a disaster for our children and grandchildren to inherit.

I thank you kindly for your time in reading this correspondence.

Sincerely,

Adam Hill
[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1029.....Hill, A.

Response 1029.001

Please see Master Response #2. Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT 1030

Thomas Gump [REDACTED]

From: Thomas Gump [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 20:47:59 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 27, 2014
Marcelo Calle
Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,
No more coal in the Four Corners!
Sincerely,
Thomas Gump

[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1030..... Gump, T.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1031
Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine operations

Rebecca Walding [REDACTED]

From: Rebecca Walding [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 20:17:38 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine operations

Jun 27, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Under the proposal being considered, Four Corners Power Plant would continue to produce coal pollution for 25 more years in a region that has long suffered the ill effects of dirty-energy extraction.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant.

1031.001

Many residents of the Navajo Nation do not have electric power even as they suffer the health and safety consequences of living near two coal-fired power plants and a coal mine.

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Sincerely,

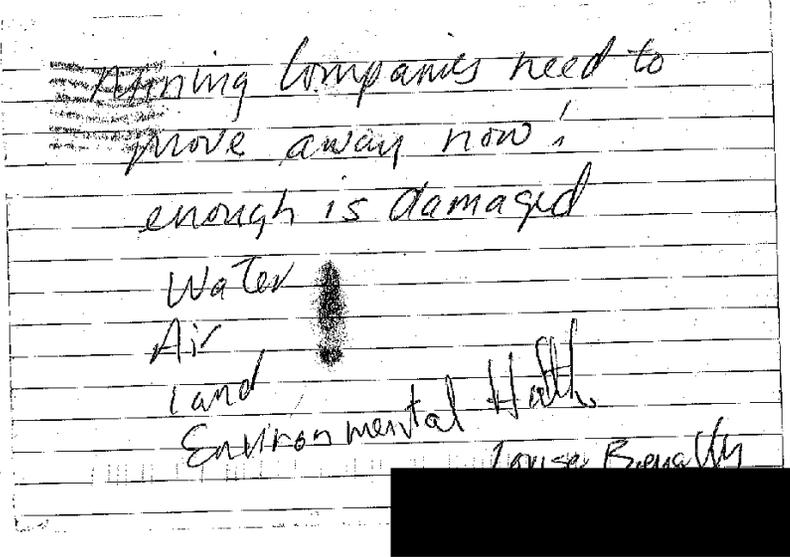
Rebecca Walding
[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1031..... Walding, R.

Response 1031.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives and Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT 1032



A handwritten note on lined paper. The text reads: "Mining companies need to move away now, enough is damaged. Water, Air, Land, Environmental Health." Below this, the name "Louise Benally" is written. A large black rectangular redaction box covers the bottom portion of the note, obscuring the signature and any contact information.

Comment Letter 1032.....Benally, L.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1033

Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal? NO !

Karen James [REDACTED]

From: Karen James [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 19:17:49 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal? NO !

Jun 27, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Thank you for recognizing the regional environmental impact of the Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine operations on the Four Corners region by issuing an Environmental Impact Statement.

So, do the right thing! Stop this foolishness now. Pretend that you are Navajo and it really matters to YOU!

The Department of Interior is charged with assessing the full environmental, public-health and economic impacts of prolonging these coal operations and thoroughly investigating alternatives to prolonging coal production in light of rapidly shifting energy economics and the full scope of likely coal costs that loom.

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1033.001

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Sincerely,

Karen James

Comment Letter 1033..... James, K.

Response 1033.001

Please see Master Response #6, Reissuance of the Draft EIS and Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

COMMENT 1034

Judy Mellow [REDACTED]

From: Judy Mellow [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 18:17:27 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 27, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Why should the people of Northwest New Mexico, including natives, who often live in dire poverty, suffer the ongoing environmental effects of coal?

The United States should be on the cutting edge of clean technology; coal is SO 17th century. | 1034.001

Sincerely,

Judy Mellow
[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1034.....Mellow, J.

Response 1034.001

Thank you for your comment. Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT 1035



Diné Citizens Against Ruining our Environment
Diné C.A.R.E.
10A Town Plaza, PMB #138
Durango, CO 81301

June 27, 2014

Via Electronic Mail and U.S. Postal Mail

Mr. Marcelo Calle
EIS Project Coordinator
U.S. Department of the Interior
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
Western Region Office
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202-3050

14-07-08 11

RE: Draft EIS comments to include a health impact and water impact study in the Final EIS; and to include the BHP Navajo Mine purchase/waive all past, present and future liabilities in the Final Environmental Impact Statement study.

Dear Mr. Calle,

On behalf of the Diné people, Diné Citizens Against Ruining Our Environment (Diné C.A.R.E.) is submitting 1,660 petitions and 6 resolutions as comments for the Draft EIS and to be considered in the Final EIS for the Four Corners Power Plant/Navajo Mine project.

Attached are 695 petition signatures urging the Office of Surface Mining (OSM) to include a health impact and water impact study in the Final EIS. It is unfortunate that a health impact study was not included in the DEIS even though it was suggested during the EIS scoping hearings in Fall 2012. A health impact study is very much needed as there are serious concerns from residents living near the mine and power plant operations that have and are continuing to suffer from asthma, bronchitis, respiratory illnesses, headaches, and other health related illnesses. An indoor air quality assessment is not a sufficient assessment of human health impacts, especially when the mine and power plant are operating 24 hours/day, 365 days/year. Below is a view of the petition to include a Health Impact and Water Impact study in the Final EIS: 1035.001

We, the undersigned Urge the Office of Surface Mining to include a Health Impact Study and Water Impact Study in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the Navajo Mine/Four Corners Power Plant (FCPP) complex for the following reasons:

- Numerous community members have and are impacted by the operations of the Navajo Mine/FCPP complex, yet no Health Impact Study has been completed in 50 years!
- Coal ash waste is made up of 17 **toxic pollutants** and affects the lungs, brains, heart, intestines, kidneys, etc.
- Coal ash waste is stored in unlined ponds – 50 feet from Chaco Wash and 1.5 miles from the San Juan River, which may leach into waterways
- **100 million tons** of coal ash stored in unlined disposal pits at Navajo Mine between 1971-2008
- BHP Billiton and Arizona Public Service have a responsibility to the protect the People and should be held accountable for the health impacts and water impacts associated with mine/power plant operations

Comment Letter 1035..... Cooley, C.
Diné CARE

Response 1035.001

Thank you for your comment. Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety. Specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarize the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project. Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS addresses potential impacts to water resources. In addition, please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

COMMENT 1035

Attached are also 965 petition signatures urging transparency surrounding the acquisition of BHP Billiton Navajo Mine and the Navajo Tribal Legislation 0149-13, which includes the waiver of BHP's past, present, and future liabilities. This is an Environmental Justice issue where the Department of the Interior has trust obligations to the Navajo Nation to assure the above actions were made in the Nation's best economic and environmental interests. We understand the mine acquisition was on a fast tracked motion at the time and the Navajo public and Tribal officials responded with passage of Chapter resolutions (legal method of Navajo governance), letters to the Secretary of the Interior, DOI Deputy Inspector General and petitions to no avail. As of June 27, 2014, there has been no response to the letters and resolutions sent from communities and Tribal officials on concerns that could cause irreparable harm to the Diné people. We are urging OSM to file this under the Environmental Justice section. Below is a view of the petition:

We, the undersigned concerned community members request for the Navajo Nation Council to rescind Legislation 0149-13, which includes the waiver of BHP Billiton's past, present, and future liabilities (health, environmental, financial, legal, etc.) from the Navajo Mine. The Navajo People were not properly informed prior to the Legislation being passed, and did not receive appropriate time or information to voice their concerns. The Navajo People need governmental transparency on all governmental levels (Navajo Nation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Department of the Interior) and increased public input. Therefore, we request information on the proposed acquisition of BHP Billiton Navajo Mine at all 110 Chapters on the Navajo Nation. This potential acquisition affects all Navajo People by the usage of the Permanent Trust Fund for Due Diligence Reports and operation monies for the Navajo Transitional Energy Company, LLC, the company initiated by the Navajo Nation Council to pursue purchase of the Navajo Mine. We request release of the Due Diligence Reports, and the Memorandum of Understanding between Navajo Nation and BHP Billiton so our Navajo People can make an informed decision regarding their resources.

1035.002

A thorough water impact study also needs to be included in the Final EIS because water is an essential source of survival for humans, plants, and animals. The withdrawal of water from the San Juan River continues to reduce the water levels for downstream users including fish and wildlife. In addition, the surface water in proximity to the mine and power plant operations are possibly being contaminated with pollution from the power plant and with leaching from the coal ash ponds. It is unfortunate that there are no regulations on coal combustion waste at this time, but a thorough assessment of possible leaching coal ash waste into the nearby Chaco Wash and San Juan river is needed if the operations continue for an additional 25 years. Once water is contaminated, it makes the livelihood of humans, plants, and animals become more difficult. Therefore, Diné people are urging OSM to include a thorough water impact study in the Final EIS.

Also attached are resolutions passed by three Chapters, the Diné Medicine Men Association (DMMA), and the District 9 Grazing Committee requesting for a 60-day extension on the DEIS comment period and requesting for the entire DEIS to be translated in the Navajo language and requesting involvement from the Navajo Nation's Environmental Protection Agency. On behalf of the Chapters and DMMA, we would like to thank OSM again for granting a 30-day extension on the DEIS comment period. However, OSM denied the Diné people's request to translate the entire EIS into the Navajo language. We continue to request for the entire EIS to be translated into the Navajo language, especially for the non-English speaking community members. Further,

1035.003

Response 1035.002

The Environmental Justice analysis considers the entire Navajo membership as an environmentally justice population, and does not take into account any division between project supporters and objectors. Further, it is beyond the scope of this EIS to comment on legislation passed by the Navajo Nation Tribal Council. The role of an EIS is to analyze potential effects, including environmental justice, of a proposed action and alternatives to that action, but not to determine if the proposed action itself is wanted/rejected by certain parties.

Response 1035.003

Please see Master Response #8, Public Review Period and Master Response #10, Translation of the EIS.

COMMENT 1035

we continue to request involvement from Navajo Nation EPA's office to educate community members about the contents of the entire EIS.

Thank you and feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at dinecare88@gmail.com or at 928-637-3221.

Sincerely,



Colleen Cooley
Four Corners Energy Outreach Organizer
Diné C.A.R.E.

cc: OSM Project Manager Rick Williamson

Attachments: 2) Petitions
5) Resolutions

COMMENT 1036

From: Keith Morris [REDACTED]
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 17:47:39 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: mcalle@osmre.gov
Subject: Consider alternatives to 25 more years of coal

Jun 27, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear U.S. Office of Surface Mining, Calle,

Thank you for recognizing the regional environmental impact of the Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine operations on the Four Corners region by issuing an Environmental Impact Statement.

However, your agency's Environmental Impact Statement does not adequately address the power plant and mine's major negative impacts on our climate and on health in the Four Corners region.

1036.001

Under the proposal, Four Corners Power Plant would continue to produce coal pollution for 25 more years in a region that has long suffered the ill effects of dirty-energy extraction.

The Department of Interior is charged with assessing the full environmental, public-health and economic impacts of prolonging these coal operations and thoroughly investigating alternatives to prolonging coal production in light of rapidly shifting energy economics and the full scope of likely coal costs that loom.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of additional alternatives, including alternatives for transition away from continued operation of Navajo Mine and Four Corners Power Plant.

1036.002

After OSM has made these corrections, the Environmental Impact Statement should be reissued for public comment. Only when the impacts and costs of the plant are properly spelled out and appropriate alternatives are considered will OSM have a rational basis for making any decision regarding the mine and plant.

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1036.003

Global warming poses a major threat to national security, our economy

Comment Letter 1036..... Morris, K.

Response 1036.001

Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

Response 1036.002

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Response 1036.003

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COMMENT 1036

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You have an opportunity to help the Navajo Nation and other Southwest communities reap the benefits of clean energy and break free of the destructive impacts of coal pollution. Significant clean-energy investment in the Four Corners would create new jobs for those displaced by scaled-back coal power.

Please consider forward-looking alternatives rather than risking the well-being of the Navajo Nation, the Four Corners region and the planet on the continued viability of coal for decades into the future.

Sincerely,

Keith Morris


COMMENT 1037

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Comment Letter 1037..... Puleo, J.

COMMENT 1037

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Response 1037.001

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COMMENT 1038

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I urge the Office of Surface Mining to require the consideration of ↓ 1038.002

Comment Letter 1038.....Tweten, B.

Response 1038.001

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Response 1038.002

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COMMENT 1038

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COMMENT 1039

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Comment Letter 1039..... Roylance, A.

Response 1039.001

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Response 1039.002

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COMMENT 1039

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combustion waste, it is not protected
and it blows all over the place. People
living along the basins are suffering
from coal ash. Too many babies are sick
with all kinds of illness. Health study
is needed.

1040.001

COMMENT 1041

I HAVE CONCERN ABOUT MY
BREATHING. I STARTED GETTING
ASTHMA, AFTER ALL THAT POLLUTION
AND DUST IN THE AIR - DIFFERENT
KIND OFF ~~SOLUTION~~ ^{chemicals} IN THE AREA
Purchasing of Navajo Mine was a
major mistake by our ^{Tribal} leaders, our
Navajo Nation will definitely go broke, they
Need to look into "Renewable Energy" (solar)
etc.

1041.001

Comment Letter 1040.....Reid, E.

Response 1040.001

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Comment Letter 1041..... Begay, R.

Response 1041.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT 1042

Beth McKinley

[REDACTED]

My ~~brother~~ ^{family member} got black lung from this ^{NAVAJO} mine. So many people I see and hear from around that area are sick. We need health study. Those people are living with power plant pollutants.

1042.001

COMMENT 1043

[REDACTED] worried about the quality of the air, water and our places where we live. The fcpp-NAVAJO mine have been here for many years. Its time a health and environmental study is done. Im living in a dirty area. We don't need any more pollution.

Joseph R. Gollaker

1043.001

Comment Letter 1042..... McKinley, B.

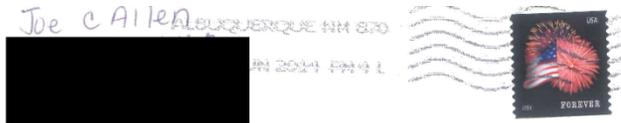
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Comment Letter 1043..... Gollaker, J.

Response 1043.001

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COMMENT 1044

Comment Letter 1044..... Allen, J.

Response 1044.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Think
Renewable Energy
and shut this
NAVajo mine?
F.C.P.P DOWN

1044.001

Mr. Marcelo Calle
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation
and Enforcement
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202



The Four Corners power plant need to
be's shutdown. The Navajo Mine need to
be shutdown.

COMMENT 1044

I am Emma Yazzie grandson. My grandma
told me many stories about this mine. When
they first were building the F.C.P.P., I was a
boy. I remember the fly ash coming down on us
like snow. My grandma said this powerplant &
Navajo mine will pollute everything. And said
you watch and see in the years to come,
the land will be destroyed, the pollution will
start getting people sick and they will pass away
from it. And now I see what my grandma said
was true. People are getting
sick and dying from F.C.P.P Navajo
mine. *Joe Calle*

COMMENT 1045

Renewable Energy!
NO MORE COAL FIRED
POWER plants! NOMORE
NAVAJO MINE SICKNESS
NO MORE F.C.P.P.
you can

1045.001

Comment Letter 1045..... Allen, J.

Response 1045.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT 1046

The E.I.S. Process was a sham!
NO REAL public participation! The Open
House SET UP! was the worst way to have a
transparent community mtg. NAVAJO WAY IS
open the microphone, so people can talk
openly and others can hear. That's true open
transparent public mtg should be held.
At this EIS I was harassed and
told not to ask questions! ASM SAID:
it WAS A comment mtg, NOT A
QUESTION mtg. So our voices of the
concerned community members were
silenced! DO IT OVER
Vata

1046.001

Comment Letter 1046..... Gutierrez, V.

Response 1046.001

Please see Master Response #9, Public Meeting Format.

COMMENT 1047

On the perspective of a
beekeeper the chemicals coming
out of the power plant and
the damage to native plant
species is detrimental to the
honey bee. There are many toxic
chemicals coming out of coal waste
and exhaust from the power plants.
The coal ash is very similar
to the pollens that are a primary
source for the honey bee, and
the honey bees cannot tell the difference
until it is too late.

1047.001

Comment Letter 1047..... Hunt, R.B.

Response 1047.001

The EIS evaluated the ecotoxicological effects of the discharge from the plant and found them to be minor. There is a cumulative effect, related to the high levels of some metals in soils, as described in the cumulative impact section of the EIS.

COMMENT 1048

We need a real meeting, a real
hearing, and not the poster comments.
This is not our way to get the job
done. You can do this in your City,
but here we do open mike comments.
The poster's style is ~~meant~~ design to
fail. Look at your past open house
no one but few show, and this
should tell you this is not the
Navajo way. We got a chest ~~as late~~

1048.001

Comment Letter 1048..... Begay, O.

Response 1048.001

Please see Master Response #9, Public Meeting Format.

O. Begay

The F.C.P.P And NAVAJO MINE Are old and its time for them to close thier doors, Clean Energy is the future. Renewable Energy.
Too Much has been put into money and jobs, I care about the lives of my family, my children and grandkids. Friends and Everyone. The lives of the people are more valuable than a few jobs.
The purchase of the Navajo Mine was illegal. No people voted for it. The liability waiver is illegal, We cannot let BHP go with no cost or responsibility, Its a Human Rights issue
Indigenous ^{is} issue
you care

1049.001

Comment Letter 1049.....Allen, J.

Response 1049.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

They need to redo the E.I.S. public meetings. And need to do them on a weeknd. Accomodate people that work mon-Friday. Then have to travel home.
These meetings the E.I.S. had were not done right. No public participation was given. And the people felt scared to talk that's what people said. Hold open mic so people wont be so afraid to speak. knowing there's other concerned people. when they hear others speak. people unite. And that's what you dont want is real public participation
And why were people being followed? harassed by OSM staff during these EIS Hearings?
you care

1050.001

Comment Letter 1050.....Allen, J.

Response 1050.001

Please see Master Response #9, Public Meeting Format.

ALBUQUERQUE
NM 870
770 PM
Dear Mr. Calle,
- The DEIS claims renewable energy sources such as solar & wind will not be economically feasible, yet APS still has to pay an estimated \$350 million to install SCR's on units 4 & 5 by 2018.
- Wouldn't it be more economically feasible to transition units 1, 2, 3 of FCPP to renewable energy?
- In addition, transitioning to solar/wind could provide hundreds to thousands of direct and indirect jobs to the Navajo Nation and minimize air pollution and therefore minimizing health impacts on the people, ~~and~~ water, land, and animals.
lll ly

1051.001

Comment Letter 1051..... Cooley, C.

Response 1051.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Dear Mr. Calle,
- The DEIS claims "minor impacts" to water resources including Chaco Wash, San Juan River, and groundwater, yet the DEIS did not claim how much more water will be pumped from the San Juan river to cool down the FCPP for an additional 25 years.
- In addition, the DEIS claims there are ongoing monitoring wells next to the plant/mine operations, but do these monitoring wells/stations capture the possible leaching and possible contamination of coal ash on the nearby waterways? Who monitors this activity and how can ~~we~~ a community member obtain this data?
lll ly

1052.001

1052.002

Comment Letter 1052..... Cooley, C.

Response 1052.001

As stated on page 4.5-59, Surface water drawn from the San Juan River into Morgan Lake for use at the FCPP is obtained according to water rights held by BBNMC. The final disposition of the water rights is still pending and will be resolved between BNCC and NTEC. No changes to the water use would occur under the Proposed Action and NTEC (and the FCPP) would maintain the ability to draw as much water as the rights allow for the Project life. Given the current water right appropriations, water drawn from the San Juan River would continue as stated in the agreement.

Response 1052.002

Analysis of groundwater monitoring data at the FCPP is described on page 4.5-57 of the Draft EIS. Monitoring is conducted voluntarily by APS. Groundwater monitoring records used in the preparation of the Draft EIS are available as part of the administrative record for this NEPA process.

Dear Mr. Cooley,
~~At what cost~~
- What will it cost the Navajo Nation and the people if a coal ash spill occurs and contaminates the land and waterways?
- There are many coal ash spills that have occurred at other power plant locations across the country even at locations that state their coal ash ponds are lined.
- What is OSM, AFS, EPA's plan if a coal ash spill occurs in the next 25 years?

1053.001

Comment Letter 1053..... Cooley, C.

Response 1053.001

F CPP maintains an Emergency Action Plan which would be implemented in the event of impoundment failure. This is addressed in Section 4.15 of the Draft EIS.

Dear Mr. Calle,

- The socioeconomic assessment does not portray the huge financial burden on the Navajo Nation for prolonging mine/power plant operations.
- \$92 million is the cost to Navajo Nation residents to buy Navajo Mine from BHP Billiton
- \$182 million is the cost to APS customers to buy more of FCCP's units 4+5
- As far as the costs of health impacts for prolonging operations is unknown, but possibly millions of dollars. The cost of drought and climate impacts of 258 million more tons of carbon pollution is also possibly in the millions of dollars - but it is unknown because this info. ^{was not provided} in the DEIS.

1054.001

1054.002

Comment Letter 1054..... Cooley, C.

Response 1054.001

The FCCP and Navajo Mine Energy Project EIS includes an economic impact analysis and conclusions are presented in Section 4.10. The economic impact analysis estimates the distributional effects of an action on sectors of a regional economy, primarily by measuring the changes in employment and income within the geographic area where workers or businesses are most affected by the action. The economic impact analysis in the Draft EIS evaluated the economic impacts to the region of influence for the alternatives.

Response 1054.002

With respect to calculating the cost of drought and climate impacts for the Project. NEPA does not require a cost-benefit analysis, although CEQ NEPA regulations allow agencies to use it in NEPA analyses in certain circumstances (40 CFR § 1502.23). The CEQ regulation states (in part), "...for the purposes of complying with the Act, the weighing of the merits and drawbacks of various alternatives need not be displayed in a monetary cost-benefit analysis and should not be when there are important qualitative considerations."

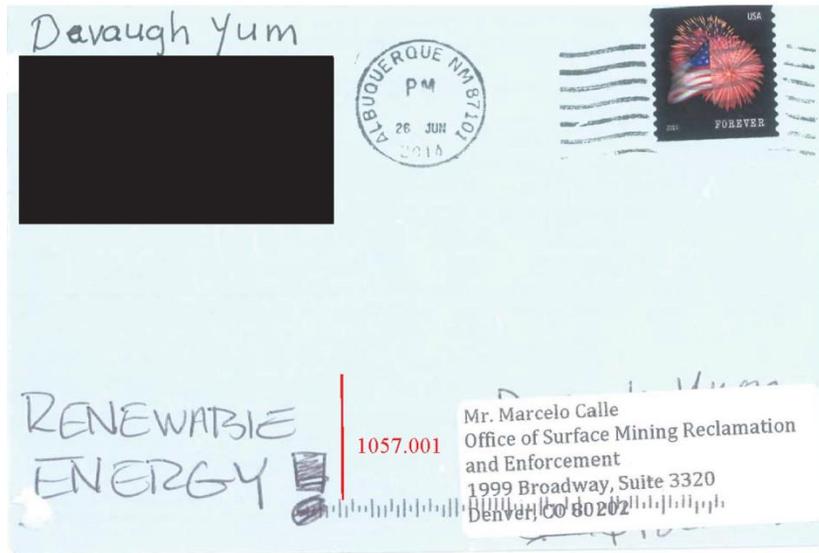
The Interagency Working Group (IWG) of federal agencies was convened in order to facilitate compliance with Executive Order 12866, which requires that agencies recognize costs and benefits of regulatory rulemaking, including the Social Cost of Carbon (SCC). The IWG developed a technical approach for monetizing the potential social cost from cumulative global emissions when developing regulation. The FCCP and Navajo Mine Energy Project EIS is not being prepared to support the promulgation of a regulation, but to inform the agencies' decisions whether or not to approve certain operating permits, lease amendments and right-of-way renewals. However, a quantitative analysis of the social cost of carbon (SCC) has been added to the Final EIS in Section 4.2. The Draft EIS considered the SCC in a qualitative manner, but did not quantify the effects. Subsequent to issuance of the Draft EIS, CEQ published Draft

Guidance on climate change analysis (CEQ 2014), in which CEQ indicates that emissions monetization is not required in every project-level NEPA analysis. Nonetheless, OSMRE determined that a quantitative analysis would be included in the Final EIS, following the Interagency Working Group Methods. The results of the SCC analysis do not change the conclusions or the findings of level of significance for the Climate Change issue; however, the analysis has been added to provide additional context to OSMRE's decision.

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Although an economic impact analysis was completed for this project, this is not the “benefit” side of a SCC cost-benefit analysis. The economic impact analysis estimates the distributional effects of an action on sectors of a regional economy, primarily by measuring the changes in employment and income within the geographic area where workers or businesses are most affected by the action. The economic impact analysis in the Draft EIS evaluated the economic impacts to the region of influence for the alternatives. However, this regional economic impact analysis in the Draft EIS was not a cost-benefit analysis, nor was it intended to quantify the social costs or benefits of fossil fuel development. Presenting the IWG SCC cost estimates quantitatively, without a complete monetary cost-benefit analysis which includes the social benefits of energy production, would be misleading.

COMMENT 1057



Comment Letter 1057..... Yum, D.

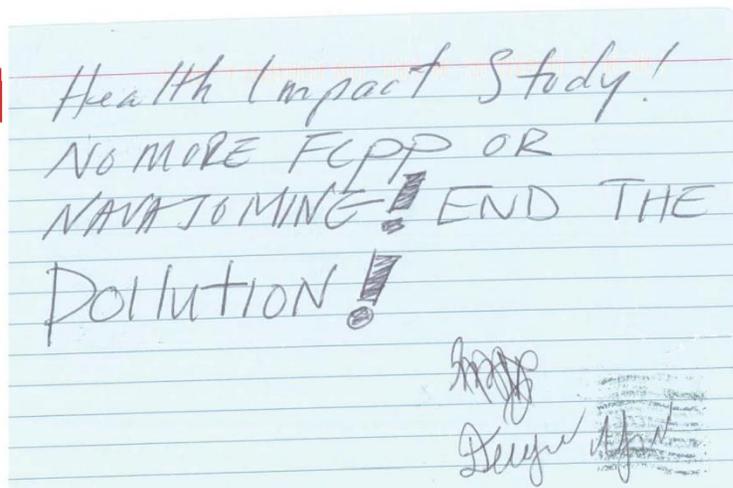
Response 1057.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 1057.002

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarize the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project. In addition, public health is addressed in the air quality analysis (Section 4.1), as well as project-specific analyses of health effects of diesel particulate matter and fugitive dust. The EIS also summarizes local health studies conducted by New Mexico Environment Department.

1057.002



COMMENT 1058

4/15/14 BHP
They are in it for the money
nothing more. We need to secure our
future air & water quality. Jobs are
not benefiting anyone when 500-800
jobs compared to 300,000 Navajos
living in or around this mine and power
plants. And the communities that deal with
these pollutions Health Impact Study we need
accountability in place. We need
water study. How are these places
being taken care of. Or is it just
care for the workers. Don't care for
everyone else. Renewable Energy now.

1058.001

1058.002

1058.003

COMMENT 1059

Honor our Indigenous Rights. honor our way
of life as a people. We have a way of thinking
we need to protect. Our presence on the land
is a threat to our very existence.
Protect our Sacred Water!

Cowan Curley
Cowan Curley

Comment Letter 1058..... Johnson, D.

Response 1058.001

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarize the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project.

Response 1058.002

Water resources are addressed in Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS.

Response 1058.003

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Comment Letter 1059..... Curley, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1060

All these old coal power plants need to go. We need to save the planet, we have problem with climate change every where. We need to protect our health, our childrens health, and the health of all endangered species. We do not benefit from these coal mine and power plants. and it is time we retired them and put it to rest. I have family line in the Four Corners and I spend working there in the summer.

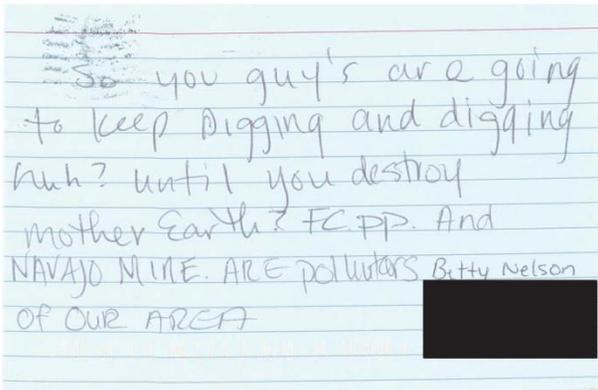
Lita Bizahaloni
[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1060.....Bizahaloni, L.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1061



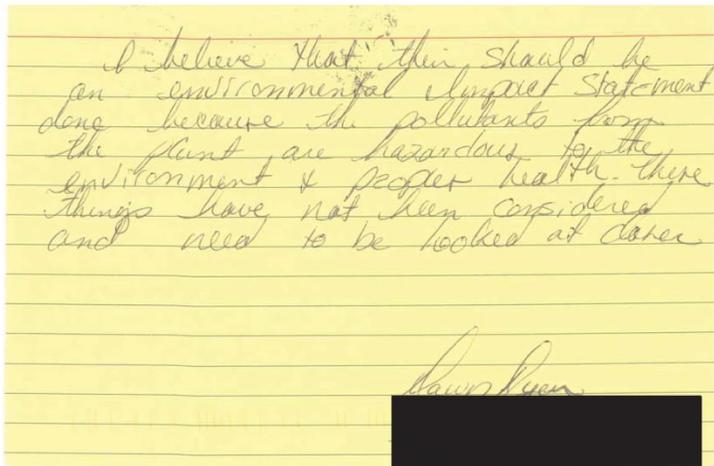
So you guy's are going to keep digging and digging huh? until you destroy mother Earth? FC PP. And NAVAJO MINE. ARE POLLUTERS BITTY Nelson OF OUR AREA

Comment Letter 1061..... Nelson, B.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1062



I believe that this should be an environmental impact statement done because the pollutants from the plant are hazardous for the environment & proper health. these things have not been considered and need to be looked at closer

1062.001

Comment Letter 1062..... Dyer, D.

Response 1062.001

The Draft EIS was published on March 28, 2014.

COMMENT 1063

I know there are burial sites around the area of Navajo Mine and the FCPP what happened to these sites? Where are the remains of the people that were living there once. These I've heard are being destroyed. And I know there is prehistoric remains of dinosaurs, sharks, shells etc what is being done to protect this place? We want preservation. end to pollution.

Angelic (Annie) Ben

1063.001

Comment Letter 1063..... Ben. A.

Response 1063.001

Section 4.4 of the Draft EIS addresses potential impacts to cultural resources and describes the Section 106 consultation process conducted as part of the project. Extensive tribal consultation has occurred as part of the Section 106 process. Programmatic agreements have been prepared to address known sites within the FCPP, Navajo Mine, and transmission line areas of potential effect. Paleontological resources are addressed in Section 4.3 of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT 1064

~~The~~ NAVAJO people, we were NOT informed about this purchase of the NAVAJO Mine. We were not asked or did we vote on it. I feel it was a bad idea. Too many risks and too much money spent on a junk mine. No one has told us what the Due Diligence has in it? They spent Navajo money to check. Now I'm waiting to know. Why are there so many secrets with the purchase? Why are there so many secrets from the people, why was there no E.I.S. public speaking? There is no confidence in this whole process. I felt I was harassed at the E.I.S. Hearing and I left. NAVAJO MINE AND FOUR CORNERS power plant ARE TWO OF OUR MAIN problems in this area.

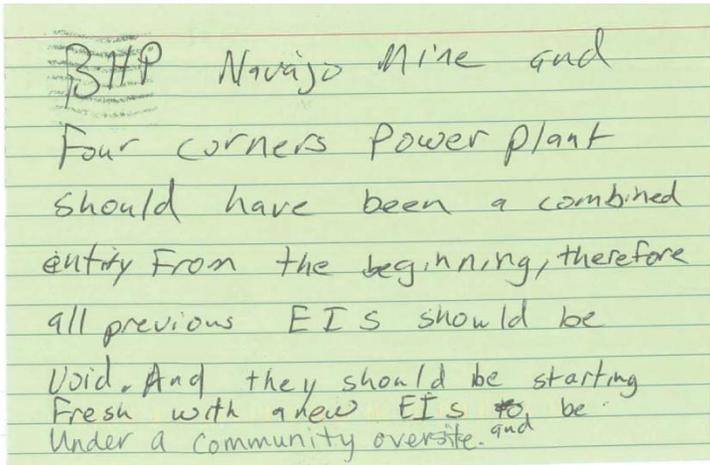
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Comment Letter 1064..... Begaye, W.

Response 1064.001

Please see Master Response #9, Public Meeting Format.

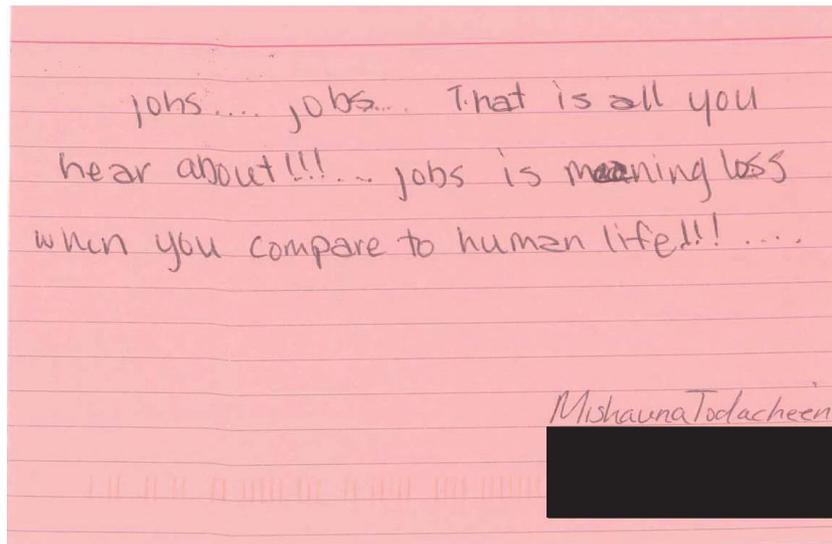
COMMENT 1065



BHP Navajo Mine and
Four corners Power plant
should have been a combined
entity from the beginning, therefore
all previous EIS should be
void. And they should be starting
fresh with a new EIS to be
under a community oversight.

1065.001

COMMENT 1066



jobs.... jobs... That is all you
hear about!!!... jobs is meaning less
when you compare to human life!!!
Mishanna Todacheenie

Comment Letter 1065..... Hunt, R.G.

Response 1065.001

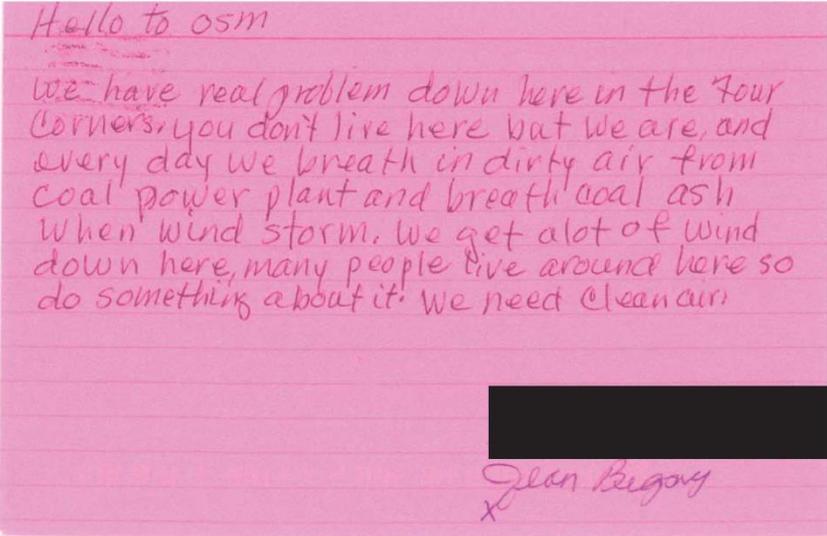
Thank you for the comment. No prior EIS has been conducted for either entity. The EIS prepared under NEPA regulations is required to assist federal agencies in making informed decisions and is not a regulatory permit. The regulatory framework applicable to the Navajo Mine and FCPP is described within each resource area section in Chapter 4 of the Draft EIS.

Comment Letter 1066..... Todacheenie, M.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1067



A photograph of a handwritten note on pink lined paper. The text is written in red ink. The note reads: "Hello to osm", "We have real problem down here in the Four", "Corners, you dont live here but we are, and", "every day we breath in dirty air from", "coal power plant and breath coal ash", "When wind storm, we get alot of wind", "down here, many people live around here so", "do something about it. We need clean air". There is a black redaction box covering the bottom right portion of the note, and the signature "Jean Begay" is written below it.

Comment Letter 1067..... Begay, J.

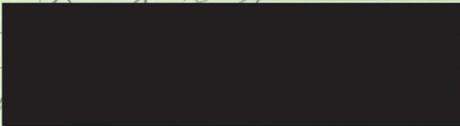
Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1068

~~All~~ have to say is the drought
is bad. No rain anymore. No grass
for livestock. Dirt and dust storms. Fcpp
& BHP are causing this. All you see
is haze and no water. no water
just dust and
dirt storms.
here

Ray Hogue



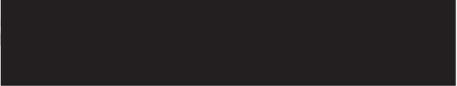
Comment Letter 1068..... Hogue, R.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1069

Western Toledo



I Really believe in the quality of Health. Protection of our Air, water, land I strongly don't believe we want anymore pollution from coal fired Powerplants and fly ash from the mine.

Comment Letter 1069..... Toledo, J.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1070

J. Gutierrez

Leanne Gutierrez



We Need a Health Study done in our area. I don't believe it has ever been done. I heard one was done for inside peoples homes, that is not the health study we need. I would like to see the effects these Mining Operations have done in regards to pollution. The San Juan, F.C.P.P. and BHP pollute my home town.

1070.001

Comment Letter 1070..... Gutierrez, J.

Response 1070.001

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COMMENT 1071

protect our homeland.
protect the people.
protect the live stock.
protect the wild life.
protect our health.

No more Dirty ENERGY! NO MORE DIRTY ENERGY!
NO MORE DIRTY ENERGY!
Ray Hogue

Comment Letter 1071..... Hogue, R.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1072

Navajo Communities in the area of
FCPP/Navajo mine have and continue
to suffer from asthma, lung problems,
kidney failure, cancer, chronic bronchitis.
At what cost are we to pay for
continued operations of FCPP/Navajo Mine.
Luelle A. Willie people. Also give us a health
study for our air
water and land.

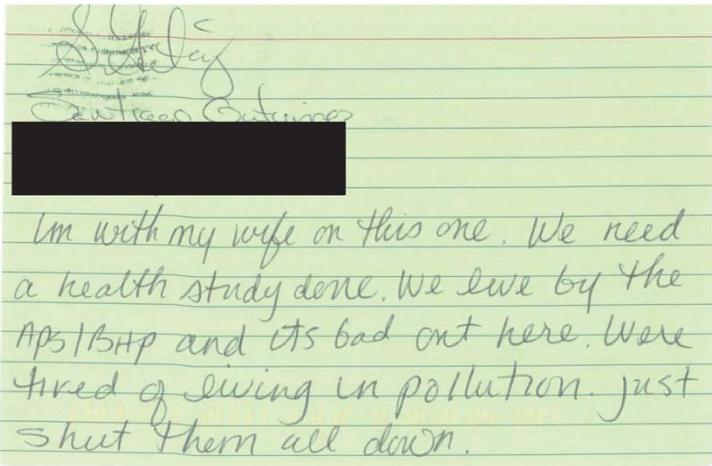
Comment Letter 1072..... Willie, L.

Response 1072.001

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarizes the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project.

Water resources are addressed in Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS, Land Use is addressed in Section 4.9.

COMMENT 1073



Im with my wife on this one. We need a health study done. We live by the Aps/BHP and its bad out here. Were tired of living in pollution. just shut them all down.

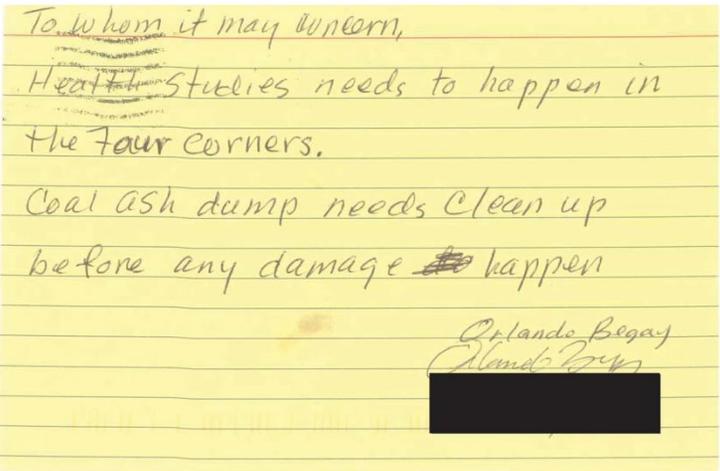
1073.001

Comment Letter 1073.....Gutierrez, S.

Response 1073.001

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarizes the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project.

COMMENT 1074



To whom it may concern,
Health Studies needs to happen in the Four corners.
Coal ash dump needs Clean up before any damage ~~to~~ happen

Orlando Begay
Orlando Begay

1074.001

Comment Letter 1074..... Begay, O.

Response 1074.001

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COMMENT 1075

Terrance, Chavez
[Redacted]
[Redacted]
We Need protection
from the coal fired power plants
and Navajo Mine. We are in a
drought. We are surrounded by these
dirty energy monsters. I look out and
see haze and I drive down there and
see the way people live with no water
no electricity, but they live by these giants
no job is worth our health. We all drink
the water and breath the air.

COMMENT 1076

In regards to the Four Corner Power Plant
and Navajo Mine Energy Project. I would
like see more public participation. It is best to
have Navajo translators to be at all
public hearings and make more information
available at more regions across the Navajo
Nation. 1076.001

Jonathan Perry
[Redacted]

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Comment Letter 1075..... Chavez, T.

Response

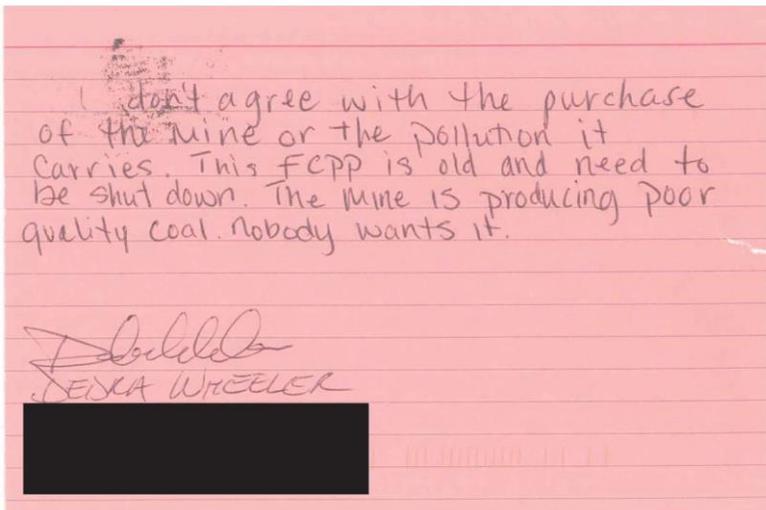
Thank you for your comment.

Comment Letter 1076..... Perry, J.

Response 1076.001

Please see Master Response #10, Translation of the EIS.

COMMENT 1077



I don't agree with the purchase of the mine or the pollution it carries. This FCPP is old and need to be shut down. The mine is producing poor quality coal. Nobody wants it.

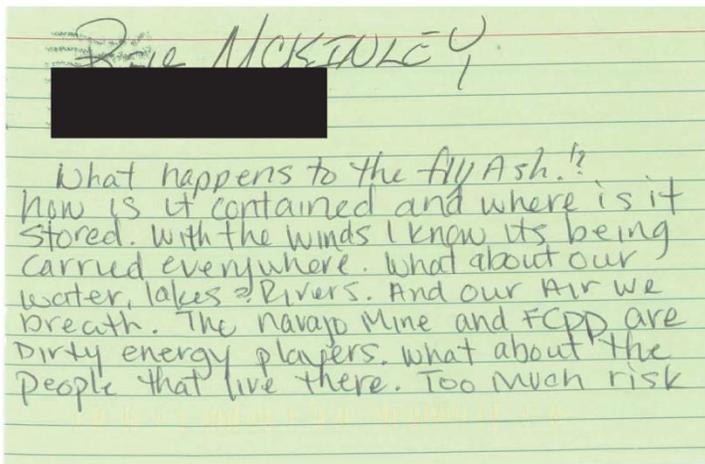
Dexa Wheeler
DEXA WHEELER

Comment Letter 1077..... Wheeler, D.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 1078



Rose McKinley

What happens to the fly ash? how is it contained and where is it stored. with the winds I know its being carried everywhere. what about our water, lakes & Rivers. And our Air we breath. The Navajo Mine and FCPP are dirty energy players. what about the people that live there. Too much risk

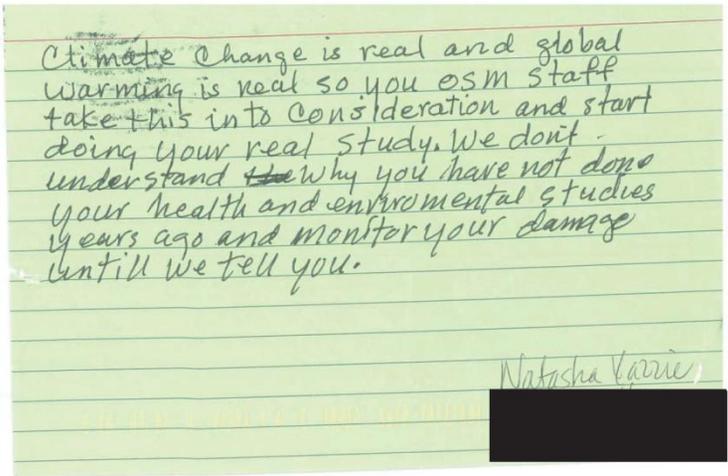
1078.001

Comment Letter 1078..... McKinley, B.

Response 1078.001

Section 2.2 describes the current storage of coal combustion residues at the FCPP. EPA published its Final Rule for Hazardous and Solid Waste Management System; Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electrical Utilities on December 19, 2014. Under the Final Rule, EPA has determined that CCR will be regulated under Subtitle D (non-hazardous) as a solid waste. The regulation is self-implementing and applies to the disposal of CCR generated from coal-fired generating stations, including tribal lands. The rule includes provisions for dust control and groundwater monitoring. The regulation does not extend to placement of CCR in mines. The Final EIS has been updated accordingly to reflect the Final Rule and its applicability to CCR disposal at the FCPP. A comprehensive discussion of the rule, its provisions, and enforceability is provided in Section 4.15, Hazardous Materials and Wastes. In addition, specific provisions of the rule that apply to other resource areas (i.e. water and air) are included in Sections 4.1, 4.5, 4.11, and 4.18.

COMMENT 1079



Climate change is real and global warming is real so you OSM staff take this into consideration and start doing your real study. We don't understand ~~the~~ why you have not done your health and environmental studies years ago and monitor your damage until we tell you.

Natasha Yazzie

[Redacted]

1079.001

Comment Letter 1079..... Yazzie, V.

Response 1079.001

OSMRE and other agency jurisdiction over this NEPA process did not begin until applications were submitted to the respective agencies. Baseline environmental monitoring and studies conducted by the project proponents were used to assist in the preparation of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT 1080

JANENE YAZZIE [REDACTED]

Please utilize independent firms to conduct the EIS evaluations to study the impacts on public health and the culmulative impacts on surface, ground + run-off water, our air, soil & ecosystems.

For the Public
EIS HEARINGS

1080.001

COMMENT #1081

Every one of us living in Shiprock demand a health study done + our water need studie with all the coal ash near the Chaco river and all the coal ash that had been dump back in the open pit mine.

1081.001

Comment Letter 1080.....Yazzie, J.

Response 1080.001

The EIS was prepared by OSMRE with assistance from an independent contractor, in accordance with CEQ guidelines and OSMRE NEPA Handbook.

Comment Letter 1081..... Linton, C.

Response 1081.001

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarizes the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project. Water resources are addressed in Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS, including a summary of the study of potential effect from historic placement of CCR in the Navajo Mine.

COMMENT #1082
Our old and non English speaking
across the board got Cheated of EIS
comment open house because the poster
style show case comment making is not
their way. My people ask for a real comment
hearings that you refused them the opp
portunity to express their comments
I really don't want this comment to go
into open air.
We still water studies and health studies.

1082.001

1082.002

COMMENT #1083
what we need is a health
study! like I said before we
the people are dealing with
sickness and disease.
Ivan Palmer
[Redacted]
Ivan Palmer

1083.001

Comment Letter 1082..... Henera, R.

Response 1082.001

Please see Master Response #9, Public Meeting Format and Master Response #10, Translation of the EIS.

Response 1082.002

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarizes the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project. Water resources are addressed in Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS.

Comment Letter 1083..... Palmer, I.

Response 1083.001

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarizes the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project.

COMMENT #1084

I use to grow big, plentiful
fruits and vegetables, but now my
melons and all my harvest is small
I believe the powerplant pollution and coal
ash are to blame.

Marietta Gutierrez



Marietta

Comment Letter 1084..... Gutierrez, M.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1085

I have a concern solution on this
Air Pollution ~~that~~ ^{ON} surrounds our
Living Area in (Area III),
~~Coal~~ COAL DUST and Fly Ash,

Roselyn H. Begay



Roselyn H. Begay

1085.001

Comment Letter 1085..... Begay, R.

Response 1085.001

Thank you for your comment. Air Quality is addressed in Section 4.1 of
the Draft EIS.

COMMENT #1086

This place use to be beautiful
but now you look around and see yellow
skies and hear about people being sick
alot and crops arent growing as they
once had

Amelia Luckton
[Redacted]

Amelia Luckton

COMMENT #1087

The Navajo Mine is an ugly place. The
asst pits, the digging. The FCPP is a
dirty powerplant. We need to protect our
future generations. These two entities
are and have been polluting long too
Edward [Redacted] too long. Clean
energy

1087.001

1087.002

Comment Letter 1086..... Luckton, A.

Response 1086.001

Thank you for your comment. Visibility is addressed in Section 4.1, Air Quality, of the Draft EIS. Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarize the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project.

Comment Letter 1087..... Evans, E.

Response 1087.001

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 1087.002

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT #1088

NAVAJO MINE AND THE FOUR CORNERS POWER
PLANT create fly ash blow on our mesas
especially with the recent winds. Whos
doing the clean up. We live in haze AND
drought.

Jahsa Begay

[REDACTED]

1088.001

Comment Letter 1088..... Begay, J.

Response 1088.001

Thank you for your comment. The EIS addresses potential impacts from fly ash handling and disposal.

COMMENT #1089

The coal mining (Navajo Mine &
San Juan Mine) have operated
for years. The mining has put
an impact on the environment
and peoples health. I've seen
it happen, left the area for
work and return where the
land isn't what it use to be.
Peoples health w/ born child
have problems.

Ukoka Hunt

[REDACTED]

Comment Letter 1089..... Hunt, R.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1090
Coal burning power plants any where
is very bad for human. Coal power
plants cause asthma, heart, and kidney
problem, and it destroy the earth above
with all what on it. It dug out the
vegetation and ruins grazing lands.
Coal mine destroys environment. No study
in the world can replace these like
water quality and water quality.

Cordell Tulley
Cordell Tulley

COMMENT #1091
I was born in Shiprock, NM AND
Now I live by the BHP/APS. I TALK
with people that work or are retired at
the mine. And a lot of the people that work
there or retired are sick. There's lack of
concern about the pollution, yes we all need
jobs. but I have family that I need to
protect. And these powerplants have got to
go. Its not worth the health of the
people. I love to fish. but I cant eat
them im a fraud of the pollution caused
by APS/BHP
Mandee Belone

1091.001

Comment Letter 1090.....Tulley, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

Comment Letter 1091.....Belore, M.

Response 1091.001

Please see Master Response #4, Mercury Deposition and Mercury in
Fish in Nearby Lakes

COMMENT #1092

My grandson said
grandma this air stinks, This
air stinks, He's 7 yrs old and he's
talking about the air quality and the
powerplants pollution.
he's a child and he
knows the pollution
from APS / BHP

Cindy Dixon
[Redacted]
Mr. Carlos Dixon

Comment Letter 1092..... Dixon, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1093

BHP and Four Corner
Powerplant should be
penalized for All previous
pollution. And current pollution.



1093.001

Mr. Marcelo Calle
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation
and Enforcement
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202

Comment Letter 1093..... Hunt, RG, III

Response 1093.001

Thank you for your comment. The Navajo Mine and FCPP have operated in accordance with all applicable federal regulations and the lease agreements with the Navajo Nation. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015. Penalties for past and/or current impacts are not a part of the actions considered by OSMRE.

COMMENT #1094

Constantly changing & clearing out the sheeps water trough due to the coal dust & blasting. Black/gray settles at the bottom of water - have to scrub the water containers, cuz it gets black.

Cindy Dixon
[Redacted]

Mr Cindy Dixon

COMMENT #1095

my sheep go out and eat the grass and brush everyday and I want them to eat good clean grazing grass but with all this pollution from the coal power plant there is no clean water and clean ~~grass~~ ^{grazing} grass more studies need to be done.

Lucille A. Willie
[Redacted]

1095.001

Comment Letter 1094..... Dixon, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

Comment Letter 1095..... Willie, L.

Response 1095.001

Potential impacts to water resources are addressed in Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS. Impacts to agriculture, including grazing, are addressed in Section 4.9 of the Draft EIS. With regard to the sufficiency of studies used for the EIS, please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

COMMENT #1096

Protect the Sacred Mother Earth
Put an end to powerplants and
Pollution. I've heard things about this
FCPP being one of the biggest polluters in
the area. Uncontrolled and lawless because
it sits on Navajo land. What about the
Indigenous Peoples rights? Do they have
to live with the pollution because of \$\$\$.
Put these Dirty powerplants to sleep. Navajo
Mine must shut down.

Toella Ashik
[Redacted]
Joella Ashiko

Comment Letter 1096..... Ashik, J.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1097

We need health studies here in the Four
Corners, and water studies. We want to make
sure our water is clean for future use. We
need air studies too. The power plant has
been here for over 50 years and the coal
mine and ~~area~~ has never been studied.
For all these years of 50 years you should
have enough money to do a complete
study.
Thank you

1097.001

Bruce A. Willis
[Redacted]

Comment Letter 1097..... Willie, L.

Response 1097.001

Thank you for your comment. Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses
potential impacts with regard to Health and Safety, including worker
safety. Pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarize the human health
risk assessment conducted for the project. Air Quality is addressed in
Section 4.1 and Water Resources are addressed in Section 4.5.
Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

COMMENT #1098

I also concern ABOUT THE FOOD WE EAT → I'm Diabetic AND I ^{HAVE} HEALTH PROBLEM - I NEED TO HAVE GOOD MEALS, WITH ALL THAT DUST BLOWING AROUND AFTER THE MINE (BLASTES) I d Lose my APPETITE, OR EVEN i eat - I get Nauseaed.

COMMENT #1099

~~Kimberly Henry~~ - KIMBERLY HENRY

[REDACTED]

We need Renewable energy. The days of dirty energy are over. The four corners power plant and Navajo mine have been here long enough. I'm tired of the pollution. Who's getting sick of our health?

1099.001

Comment Letter 1098..... Begay, R.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

Comment Letter 1099..... Henry, K.

Response 1099.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT #1100
Your studies on the water, pollution
which is air quality, sacred sites, are
not done right.
The EPA just rule the Four Corners
has the most dirtiest air. The air is not
clean.
Health study hasn't be done and
soon.

1100.001

Comment Letter 1100..... Gutierrez, M.

Response 1100.001

Thank you for your comment. Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses potential impacts with regard to Health and Safety, including worker safety. Pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarize the human health risk assessment conducted for the project. Air Quality is addressed in Section 4.1 and Water Resources are addressed in Section 4.5. Please see Master Response #1, Deficient Analysis.

COMMENT #1101
My main concern is the air pollution in the San Juan County
area especially those that live along the San Juan River. I've
lived in Shiprock all my life and within the last 20 years, I've
noticed young people developing asthma and breathing difficulties.
I'm very concern about the health of the young people. Clean
up the environment.
Cynthia A. Bates
[Redacted]

Comment Letter 1101..... Bates, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1102

During windy days, fly ash & coal dust
blows all over & people breath this in.

Cindy Dixon
[Redacted]
Mrs. Cindy Dixon

Comment Letter 1102..... Dixon, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1103

There are 17 toxic pollutants
found in coal ash including arsenic,
Mercury, cadmium, boron, selenium, and
other toxic metals.
Affects the brain, lungs, heart, intestines
and kidneys.
And there are no tribal, state or federal
regulations to clean up or monitor coal ash.
Shelby Staley who will be responsible for
100 million tons of coal ash?
[Redacted]

1103.001

Comment Letter 1103..... Staley, S.

Response 1103.001

The FCPP partners are responsible for the long-term liability
associated with coal ash, both at the impoundments and stored in the
mine.

COMMENT #1104

Coal fired power plants effect the health of alot of people, causing cancer, lung disease, respiratory problems, vision, Nausea, etc.

Cindy Dixon



Ms. Cindy Dixon

Comment Letter 1104..... Dixon, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1105

This drought is coming from the powerplant and the BHP mine. There is No water anymore. The land is being abused. Climate Change is from these Ugly businesses. The land is dry, dry, how are we to live, and why are we being forced to live with these power plants surrounding us. And the Navajo Mine invading our homeland. enough is enough.

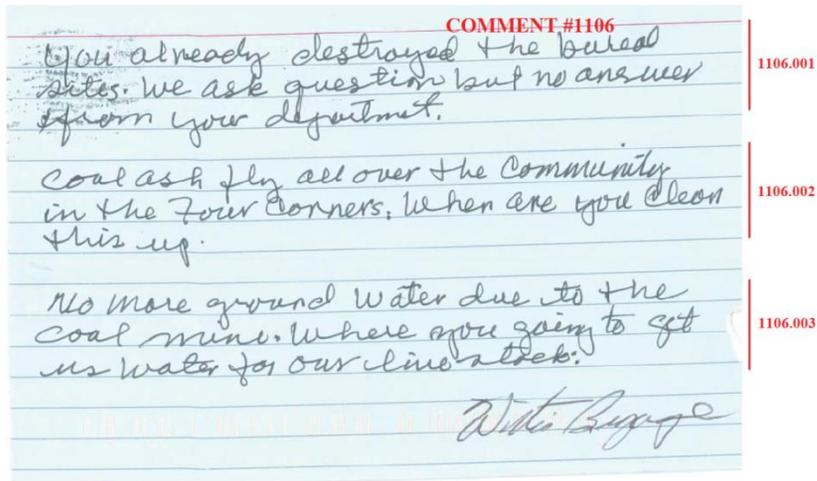
Lucy A Willie



Comment Letter 1105..... Willie, L.

Response

Thank you for your comment.



Comment Letter 1106.....Begaye, W.

Response 1106.001

Section 4.4 of the Draft EIS addresses potential impacts to cultural resources and describes the Section 106 consultation process conducted as part of the project. Extensive tribal consultation has occurred as part of the Section 106 process. All consultation and coordination activities conducted are described in Section 5 of the Draft EIS (and have been updated in the Final EIS).

Response 1106.002

The EIS included the results of site-specific soils analysis and air quality analysis that did not find this effect. Cleanup is addressed in a programmatic way under the No Action alternative.

Response 1106.003

The coal mine does not use groundwater for its operations, as stated in Section 4.5. A complete discussion of potential impacts to groundwater quantity and quality is provided in Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT #1107
May 27, 2014

No considering was weighed
on the land, water, and air.
The value of from the holistic
view & perspective of Dine (Navajo)
traditional & fundamental law.

Marshall Johnson
Marshall Johnson

1107.001

Comment Letter 1107.....Johnson, M.

Response 1107.001

Diné Law reflects the importance to the Navajo Nation that their lands and resources are managed in accordance with the Tribe's cultural beliefs. Diné Law emphasizes the deep relationship of the Navajo with the Earth and outlines the Navajo "way of life". OSMRE recognizes and respects the intent and nature of this tribal policy. The purpose of NEPA is to assess how project alternatives could potentially affect the ecological and the human environment, thus, the NEPA process reflects the concepts of environmental stewardship outlined in Diné Law. Diné Law, however, does not include any measurable and enforceable regulatory standards that could be technically applied to the vast majority of resources analyzed in the EIS. In order to clarify the role of Diné Law in this NEPA process, the EIS has been revised to include the following language in a footnote in Section 1.4.2.6 on the applicability of Diné Law on the Project; the Navajo Nation is responsible for administering Dine Law their tribal trust lands: It is worth noting that in 2007 the Navajo Nation developed legislation (1 Navajo Nation Code §§ 201-206) that codified Diné Law. Diné Law explains the origin of the Navajo people and their relationship with the Earth. This Navajo law is considered cultural in nature and lacks any measurable and enforceable regulatory standards that could be technically applied to measure effects; therefore, Diné Law is not used as a regulatory framework in this EIS. Further information on Diné Law, related to the use of the Hogan at the Navajo Mine for traditional Navajo ceremonies for purposes of mitigating adverse impacts to the natural world from resource extraction, can be found on page 4.11-17.

COMMENT #1108

Contamination of our water, even for
the wildlife. These powerplants and
BHP mine create pollution and sickness with
no care to the community people. And the animals
that live here.

CINDY DIXON



Ms. Cindy Dixon

Comment Letter 1108..... Dixon, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1109

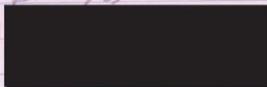
In this environmental issues we stand together
against bad pollutions from coal power plants
around us.

We native people believe in clean air and
clean environment.

Water quality means sacred, air quality means
sacred, land and all the wild life means sacred.

Sacred clean air means wind power and
Solar. NO MORE COAL FIRE TO POLLUTE

Darwin Ashike
Dar Ashike



Comment Letter 1109..... Ashike, D.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1110
I'm worried about the future
children. Our Chei's and our
Naali's. Everybody! And I'm worried
about all that smoke thier breathing
I say no to these dirty powerplants
and the navajo mine should
be closed Michelle Yazzie

Comment Letter 1110.....Yazzie, M.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1111
Coal dust covers the grazing areas
especially when the blasting occurs, & when
it gets windy.
Cindy Dixon
Mrs. Cindy Dixon

1111.001

Comment Letter 1111..... Dixon, C.

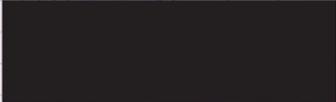
Response 1111.001

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COMMENT #1112

Climate Change is a serious issue here with all these coal power plants, not only the APS but NCS and San Juan generally station. Climate Changing is happening every where but now its here in the Four corners. And what are we going to do about it? We need to shut down all the Grand Fathers coal power plant and replace them with clean energy like solar and wind power.

Veronica Johnson



1112.001

Comment Letter 1112..... Johnson, V.

Response 1112.001

Please see Master Response #2 Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT #1113

There is good or Bad -
our animals?
our water.

I have a business here in San Juan County so its good in that aspect. but I also care about the health of people, livestock and wildlife. I also live by this mine (BHP) And Health wise its not very good. Bad Climate Change. Catherine M. Gollaher

Comment Letter 1113.....Gollaher, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1114

We are dealing with the worst climate change I have ever experienced as well as the people I've spoken with, family, friends, everybody says the same, these dust storms and water drovant we are having is bad real bad. We are having dust storms every other day. Looks like the Dirt storms of the 30's. It's sad no vegetation no water for animals, the way it's going there may be no water for the people. These are the ugly effects we are dealing with from Fcpl Navajo Mine. How will our future look. one Big haboob.

Comment Letter 1114..... Jack, R.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1115

The purchase of this Navajo Mine is embarrassing. Why buy a used car. Where is the trust responsibility of the B. I.A. Who's protecting us from the pollution! No to pollution! end dirty energy! *Marsha Dancy*

Comment Letter 1115..... Dawes, M.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1116

We Navajo people believe that we are
stewards of the land, we should be protecting
this earth not extracting, polluting and
causing sickness. That's what these powerplants
and mine does. Destroy mother
earth! and we breathe in
the smoke? Ash. chemicals

Warren Todacheeni

Comment Letter 1116..... Todacheeni, W.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1117

I live by Four Corners powerplant
and i get headaches, ^(stomach ache)nausea and light
headedness and very dizzy, the coal
ash especially with the wind blowing
brings the ash down on the people and
brings sickness. Im tired of these
powerplants and the mine.

BHP

Roselee H Begay

Comment Letter 1117..... Begay, R.

Response

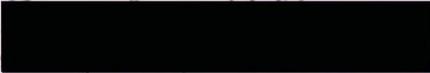
Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1118

The power plants and mines
are causing health problems for
our people and the money is
not worth it!

Ch-Bill

Christopher A. Mike - Bitah



Comment Letter 1118..... Bitah, C.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1119

My husband die of lung cancer some
years ago. coal mine and coal power
plants are not good for us.
we also got relocated some years
back from where we use to live.
I live with no running water here
I haul my own water.

EIS is not going to help us feel
healthy, you need to do a health studies

MEL R HOGUE



Comment Letter 1119.....Hogue, M.

Response 1119.001

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarizes the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project.

1119.001

COMMENT #1120

Purchase of the Mine was the ~~dumbest~~ ^{dumbest}
thing the Navajo Nation ever did. It's
a joke. What are they doing with the
coal ash? us people are dealing with
Ivan Palmer the ^{dirty} powerplant's
[REDACTED]
Ivan Palmer

1120.001

Comment Letter 1120.....Palmer, I.

Response 1120.001

A description of coal combustion residue disposal is provided in Section 2.2 of the Draft EIS. EPA published its Final Rule for Hazardous and Solid Waste Management System; Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electrical Utilities on December 19, 2014. Under the Final Rule, EPA has determined that CCR will be regulated under Subtitle D (non-hazardous) as a solid waste. The regulation is self-implementing and applies to the disposal of CCR generated from coal-fired generating stations, including tribal lands. The rule includes provisions for dust control and groundwater monitoring. The regulation does not extend to placement of CCR in mines. The Final EIS has been updated accordingly to reflect the Final Rule and its applicability to CCR disposal at the FCPP. A comprehensive discussion of the rule, its provisions, and enforceability is provided in Section 4.15, Hazardous Materials and Wastes. In addition, specific provisions of the rule that apply to other resource areas (i.e. water and air) are included in Sections 4.1, 4.5, 4.11, and 4.18.

COMMENT #1121

We have a problem with the coal power
Plant, and the coal mine. The land, the plants
and the whole environment has not been the
same for the last few years.
We have no rain and no snow.

We have health problem. Too many sickness
here. My husband, my young son had heart
problem and many people had serious health
problem.
[REDACTED]
x Jean Begay

Comment Letter 1121.....Begay, J.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1122

Stand together on Clean air act, and Environmental Justice. Environmental impact statement is not our way, it is done in a way we don't understand so for us to make it Clear coal mine and coal power plants need to retire. We deserve clean air and healthy life.

Delon W. Aguirre
5/17/14 *Delon W. Aguirre*

1122.001

Comment Letter 1122..... Aguirre, D.

Response 1122.001

Thank you for your comment. Please see Master Response #10 Translation of the EIS. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #1123

The wide ranging coyotes live in areas from high mountains to low deserts and plains. They are social, adaptable and excellent runners. Rodents and rabbits are a main part of their diets but they will also eat crickets, cactus fruit, lizards and berries. In the spring they will have a litter of up to 10 pups.

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I happen to heart for animals, wild life. They breath in the same air we breath in every days we need clean air and clean environment. Redo your EIS.

Thank you

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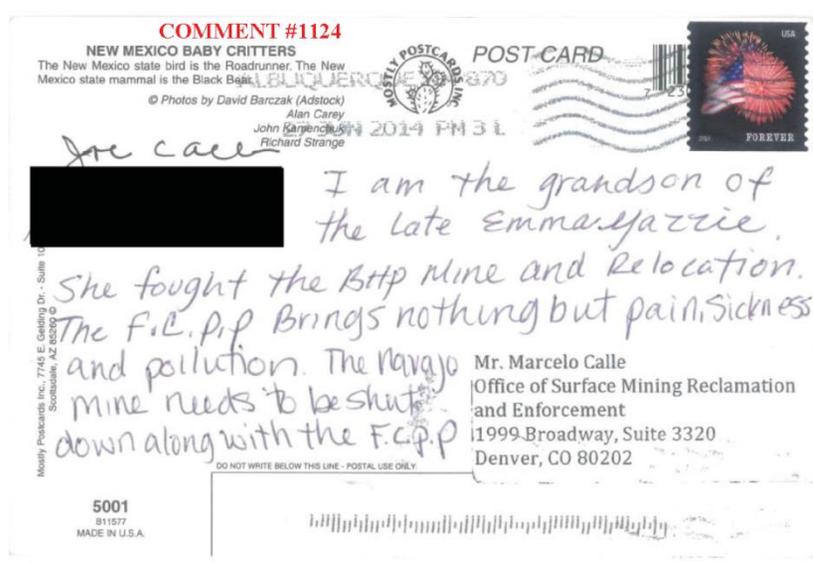
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Mr. Marcelo Calle
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202

Comment Letter 1123..... Anonymous

Response

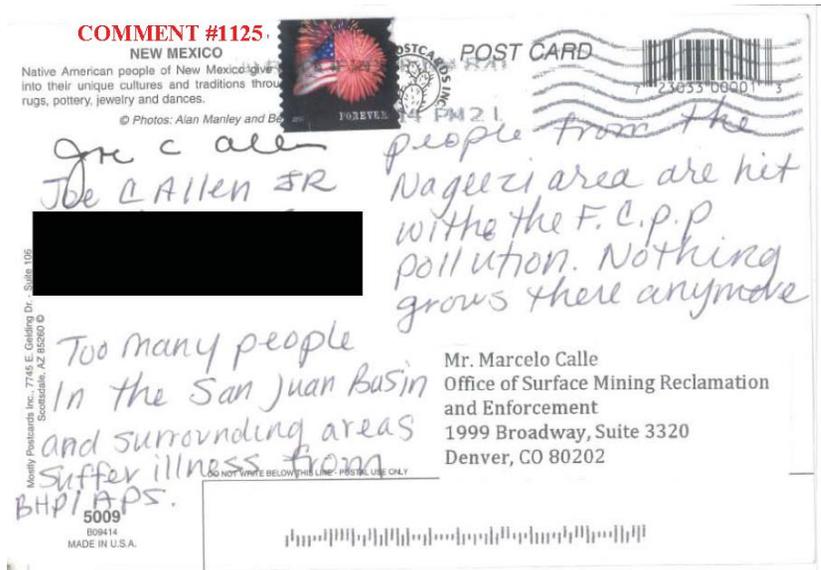
Thank you for your comment.



Comment Letter 1124..... Allen, J.

Response

Thank you for your comment.



Comment Letter 1125..... Allen, J.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #1126

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1126.001

I lived in Shiprock, NM and have worked for 10 great years. The work is great, the scenery changes every day, it's always challenging. MSJ 5/7/2014

MONTY JOHN

1126 - John M.

Comment Letter 1126..... John, M.

Response 1126.001

Thank you for your comment. A complete discussion of Socioeconomics is provided in Section 4.10 of the Draft EIS. OSMRE is considering all alternatives analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision in the Record of Decision, anticipated to be published spring 2015.

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1127.001

Wayne S. 7 years at Navajo Mine
all of the "Ausum" Heavy equipment operator
1127 waynes

Comment Letter 1127.....Wayne, S.

Response 1127.001

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1128.001

Darwayne Woolf

*I work for Amce and my job is important. It
Rent food and cable and pay the bills!!*

1128-WD

Comment Letter 1128.....W., D.

Response 1128.001

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1129.001

*Walter Begay
I work for ACME, inc.
Thank you
1129 - Begay W*

Comment Letter 1129.....Begaye, W.

Response 1129.001

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1130.001

*I work for ACME and this is my 1st year starting. Ie learned so much and gained great knowledge. This is cliffferent and I also have a great boss, Ie also learned about how much safety is important and I take it home with me. Overall, this is a great experience.
119 - EC
OEO*

Comment Letter 1130.....C., E.

Response 1130.001

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1131.001

~~1131-1131~~
1131-unknown I have been working for ARIZONA SOIL REMEDIATION, INC.
for 2 yrs & I recently had been Honorably Discharged from the USMC
& in all fairness, finding a job has been difficult. considering the fact
that "veterans comes first" is unlikely followed by other employees, I
agree with the above statement, To keep the mining going
so we all can be employed & support of APS.
~~Arizona~~

Comment Letter 1131.....Unknown

Response 1131.001

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1132.001

I support BHP-B and all operations, it gave me an opportunity to be employed as a contractor for 7 years and has helped to support my family because of a job I have through a contractor I would like BHP to continue their operations and support in any way to keep the company going



1132-
UNKNOWN

Comment Letter 1132.....Unknown

Response 1132.001

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I am thankful for all the decisions that BHP makes to support our local communities, the company's involvement in supporting our local residences to construct roads, maintain roads; to support our school and their youth sports programs; to support our chapter houses and permittees; events like United Way, the various charities that are supported through donations and giving employees' time to help the communities. I support our mining efforts to work safely; to follow the BHP charter and values; to be productive and work efficiently as part of a team to keep our jobs to support our Big 5's.

The State of New Mexico and Navajo Tribe have benefited from all the millions of tax dollars and royalties monies the company has paid through the years for support the governments. BHP agreed to give the tribe a loan to buy Navajo Mine, which I support because it's an investment the tribe can use to generate income for future generations. I support Arizona Public Service (APS) to continue to provide employment to their workforce and to find solution to work with the government agencies not to totally shut down the power plant. Jobs are needed to support our families on the Navajo reservation. Summer jobs are needed for our students. I support BHP efforts to provide jobs.

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I am a rancher and have livestock to support as part of our family tradition. I raised my kids to respect the land that we have and now they are in college and working for our government.

[Handwritten signature]

5/7/2014

1133 - BH

Comment Letter 1133.....H., B.

Response 1133.001

Thank you for your comment. A complete discussion of Socioeconomics is provided in Section 4.10 of the Draft EIS. OSMRE is considering all alternatives analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision in the Record of Decision, anticipated to be published spring 2015.

COMMENT #1134

To Whom It May Concern:

I am an employee of BHP Billiton, Navajo Mine, Area 3 working to support my family and extended family members to make a livelihood on the wages that I earn on a weekly basis. Recently with the economy going down, some workers have been asked to retire; some workers have left the work force but I consider myself very fortunate to be employed by a company like BHP. Various coal companies have been in business on the Navajo Reservation since 1964, until recently BHP Billiton have supported the coal miners and their families through some "tough times" and has "always done business to what is right for the miners" and their families. I work on the reclamation side of the mining operation to reclaim the mined out land to a condition equal to or better than the land production was before mining. We take pride in our work that the land we reclaimed today, will one day support grazing, wildlife, recreation areas, etc. Some areas are using the latest technologies of geomorphic land form designs to control erosion and water features. We are working with these innovations and are a part of the reclamation process today.

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1134.001

1134 - Todea

GILBERT TODEA / *MT*

AS AN EMPLOYEE OF BHP - I PERSONALLY SUPPORT THE MINE OPERATIONS. IT PROVIDES JOBS FOR THE NAVAJO PEOPLE & PROVIDES POWER FOR THE PEOPLE WHO NEED IT. THANK YOU! 😊

Comment Letter 1134..... Todea, G.

Response 1134.001

Thank you for your comment. A complete discussion of Socioeconomics is provided in Section 4.10 of the Draft EIS. OSMRE is considering all alternatives analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision in the Record of Decision, anticipated to be published spring 2015.

June, 27, 2014

COMMENT #1135

When i testified, Dec 10, 2009, at 9:30 am.
In Rm 2322 in the Rayburn, horse office bldg
in Washington, DC. You can see the conditions of
this third world country we live in with the coal^{BHA}
and power^{PP} plants and corruption that goes on here.
Pull it up and watch it, and if your happy with it
you will fully support what the Germans done to the
Jews. The mining and the coal fired powerplants.
will use, your judicial system, your E.P.A., E.I.D,
Your police Dept, your Gov't, and your Legislative Branch.
for Campaign Contributions, and your I.R.S.^{1135.001} The documents
are here to support it. And if you support it you are
a member of our greasy palm society. In ~~San Juan~~
San Juan County the pollution is so over whelming
the water & Air. And thier has never, never has been
an Environmental Health Study done on these poor
innocent people living here. And one day, this will be
on the same parallal as the Uranium^{Tailings}, when the truth
comes out. And the large corporations will abandon thier
mess with your assistance. And if you think Uranium
tailing were expensive, wait till you see what this coal
mine^{is going to cost.} And the innocent people that
are hurting with this Navajo mine and F.C.P.P. and P.N.M.
if you have any questions
please call me




R.G. HUNT

Comment Letter 1135..... Hunt, R.

Response 1135.001

Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS addresses health and safety; specifically, pages 4.17-22 through 4.17-24 summarizes the results of the human health risk assessment conducted for the project.

COMMENT #1136

June 14, 2014

Mr. Marcelo Calle
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement
Western Region Office
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202-3050

Dear Mr. Calle:

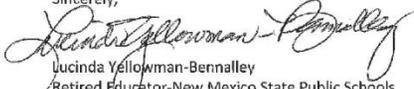
This is a letter of support for the Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine Energy Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

The two companies have been our "backyard neighbors" since the early 1960's. The relinquishment of grazing permits to allow for these companies to build was an investment of the Nenahnezad Community and the Navajo Nation. Our former leaders foresaw the positive changes that the companies would provide for the Nenahnezad Community and the Navajo Nation. Throughout the years, the Navajo Mine Energy Project and the Four Corners Power Plant have provided the greatly needed jobs for the Nenahnezad and neighboring communities.

I believe both companies are making the utmost efforts in the best interest of the Nenahnezad community related to the environmental analysis of the Power Plant Lease Amendment, Energy Transmission Lines, Navajo Mine Permit Renewal, and the new Coal Mine area.

I would appreciate the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's approval on the proposed action.

Sincerely,



Lucinda Yellowman-Bernalley
Retired Educator-New Mexico State Public Schools
Past Chapter President

Xc: files

Comment Letter 1136.....Benalley, L.

Response 1136.001

Thank you for your comment.



COMMENT #1137
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine Energy Project
Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Draft EIS Public Meeting Comment Form

Comments must be postmarked by May 27, 2014, for consideration in the Final EIS. Comments may be submitted at the open house public meetings (being held April 30 through May 9, 2014), via email to FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov or by postal mail, hand delivery or courier to the address below.

MEETING LOCATION: _____ DATE: _____
Please Print

I would very much like for Navajo mine to continue operations for mining coal. This mine, and associated operations, bring much needed revenue and supports much needed jobs in the Farmington area. Closure of this mine or reduction of it's operations would reduce revenue and jobs in the area and be very detrimental to the local communities.
Thank You.

1137.001

14-07-15-09

- 1. NAME: Kevin Talbott
- 2. ORGANIZATION (if applicable): _____
- 3. EMAIL ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER: _____
- 4. MAILING ADDRESS: _____

Do you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)? NO YES

Please give this completed form to one of the project team representatives or mail by May 27, 2014, to:
Mr. Marcelo Calle
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation & Enforcement, Western Region Office
1999 Broadway, Suite 3320
Denver, CO 80202-3050
Comments may be emailed to FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov.

Comment Letter 1137..... Talbott, K.

Response 1137.001

Thank you for your comment. A complete discussion of Socioeconomics is provided in Section 4.10 of the Draft EIS.



**Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
Four Corners Power Plant and Navajo Mine Energy Project
Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)**

COMMENT #1138

Draft EIS Public Meeting Comment Form 15-10
14-07

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MEETING LOCATION: _____

DATE: _____

Please Print

FIRST OF ALL I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND MY "THANK YOU" FOR THE SERVICE YOU PROVIDE. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON BEHALF OF MY POSITION HERE AT AREA 3 PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT, CREW 204, WHICH IS A RECLAIM CREW. MY OBSERVATION OF THE WORK WE DO TO RESTORE AVERY MINED IS QUITE UNIQUE. UNIQUE IN THE MANNER OF GOING ABOVE & BEYOND TO MAKE THE LAND RECLAIMED BETTER THAN IT WAS ORIGINALY FOUND. I HAVE MANY COWORKERS BE SHOULD I SAY, MY BHP FAMILY, WHO ENJOY THEIR WORK & USE THEIR PAY TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR FAMILIES. MY SELF, I AM VERY GREATFUL BHP OFFER THIS JOB TO MY SELF I AM ABLE TO PROVIDE FOR MY WIFE & FAMILY. ABOVE THIS THIS JOB & IT'S COMPASATION HAVE ALLOWED ME & MY WIFE TO PURCHASE OUR FIRST HOME. LOOKING ON THE DEMEGRASE & OUR AREA/COMMUNITIES, ~~BECAUSE~~ NAVAJO WIFE HELPS MANY W/ JOB TO LOCAL CHARITIES. I BELIEVE WITH OUT THE MINE MANY d US WILL SUFFRE DRAELY. THANK YOU.

1138.001

1. NAME: TYREKS CHOVEZ
2. ORGANIZATION (if applicable): PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT, CREW 204
3. EMAIL ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER: _____
4. MAILING ADDRESS: _____

14-07-15-10

Do you wish to withhold your name or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)? NO YES

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Comment Letter 1138.....Chaves, T.

Response 1138.001

Thank you for your comment. A complete discussion of Socioeconomics is provided in Section 4.10 of the Draft EIS.

COMMENT #1139-COMMENT #3935

Conversation Contents

Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Tara Bloyd <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Tara Bloyd <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:37:48 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

1139.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

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1139.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would

1139.003

Comment Letter 1139-3935 Wild Earth Guardians
(see Section 3 for individual names representing this organization)

Response 1139.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 1139.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 1139.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #1139-COMMENT #3935

enable such a transition.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Tara Bloyd

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Ms. Tara Bloyd.

COMMENT #3936

"Lula Kay (Katie) Ingham" <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: "Lula Kay (Katie) Ingham"
<action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jul 01 2014 22:26:12 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining
Jul 1, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I VERY STRONGLY SUPPORT THE LETTER BELOW:

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3936.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

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3936.003

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Sincerely,

Ms. Lula Kay (Katie) Ingham



Comment Letter 3936.....Ingham, L.

Response 3936.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3936.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3936.003

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COMMENT #3937

DEBORAH SMITH <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: DEBORAH SMITH <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Thu Jun 26 2014 15:43:44 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 26, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

HOW STUPID!!!!

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3937.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

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3937.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. DEBORAH SMITH

[Redacted signature]

Comment Letter 3937..... Smith, D.

Response 3937.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3937.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3937.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3938

Jane Fritz <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Jane Fritz <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Fri Jun 27 2014 01:14:31 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 27, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I spent three seasons working with youth of the Navajo Nation in Kayenta, Arizona and Navajo Mountain, Utah. I am very familiar with the pollution coming from coal mining operations in the Four Corners area. It's deplorable and because of poverty, the Navajo Nation embraces this dirty coal employment opportunity, but they hate it.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. Haven't we put Native peoples at odds with their strong connection to nature and Father Sky and Mother Earth long enough? I think so!

3938.001

Comment Letter 3938..... Fritz, J.

Response 3938.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

COMMENT #3938

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jane Fritz



3938.002

3938.003

Response 3938.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3938.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3939

Connie Ball <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Connie Ball <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Thu Jun 26 2014 11:13:08 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 26, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

So, are you willing to put those you love where the Four Corners Power Plant discharges pollutants? No? Then why ask others to put up with that pollution? And what about the enormous quantities of water required when there's a severe drought in the Southwest?

3939.001

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3939.002

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

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3939.003

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The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil

3939.004

Comment Letter 3939.....Ball, C.

Response 3939.001

Water used at the FCPP and Navajo Mine is provided via Water Right permits which were granted in the 1960s, as discussed in Section 4.5 of the Draft EIS.

Response 3939.002

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3939.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3939.004

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COMMENT #3939
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I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Connie Ball


COMMENT #3940

Mariel Johnson <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Mariel Johnson <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Thu Jun 26 2014 11:13:08 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 26, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Comment Letter 3940.....Johnson, M.

COMMENT #3940

Mariel Johnson <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Mariel Johnson <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Thu Jun 26 2014 11:13:08 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 26, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,
Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3940.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3940.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

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3940.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mariel Johnson



Response 3940.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3940.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3940.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3941

Gail Blatt <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Gail Blatt <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Thu Jun 26 2014 13:13:30 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 26, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I fail to understand why the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

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3941.001

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3941.002

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gail Blatt

[Redacted signature]

Comment Letter 3941..... Blatt, G.

Response 3941.001

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3941.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3942

Billy Angus <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Billy Angus <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 21:41:21 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3942.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3942.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

Comment Letter 3942..... Angus, B.

Response 3942.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3942.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3942

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 3942.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Fossil fuel has no place in this century and beyond!

Sincerely,

Mr. Billy Angus



Response 3942.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3943

Janice Clark <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Janice Clark <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Thu Jun 26 2014 00:41:36 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 26, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

We simply must address global warming now. It is already too late for disastrous consequences. I am extremely disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3943.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3943.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that this decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution

Comment Letter 3943.....Clark, J.

Response 3943.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3943.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3943

annually. The planet belongs to all of us, so your irresponsibility in this regard is reprehensible.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3943.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Janice Clark


Response 3943.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Conversation Contents COMMENT #3944
Coal Mining

Jane Beattie <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Jane Beattie <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Thu Jun 26 2014 00:11:32 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Coal Mining

Jun 26, 2014
Marcelo Calle
Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Please transition the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

Stop undermining national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy.

Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jane Beattie


3944.001

Comment Letter 3944.....Beattie, J.

Response 3944.001

Please see Master Response #2, Alternatives, OSMRE is considering all alternatives evaluated in the Draft EIS, including the No Action Alternative, and will publish its decision in the Record of Decision in spring 2015.

COMMENT #3945

Conversation Contents

Don't Green Light More Coal Mining - "Not to hurt our humble brethren is our first duty to them but to stop there is no...

Jade Golden Jade Golden <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Jade Golden Jade Golden
<action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 22:41:27 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining - "Not to hurt our humble brethren is our first duty to them but to stop there is no...

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

"Not to hurt our humble brethren is our first duty to them but to stop there is not enough. We have a higher mission -- to be of service to them whenever they require it." -- St. Francis of Assisi.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3945.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3945.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide,

Comment Letter 3945..... Golden, J.

Response 3945.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3945.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3945
The Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3945.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jade Golden Jade Golden


Response 3945.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3946

Susan Beard <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Susan Beard <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 12:10:21 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3946.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our

3946.002

Comment Letter 3946..... Beard, S.

Response 3946.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3946.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

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11/10/11.

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

To continue such monster type energy producers can only end in bad bad news for us all.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3946.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Beard
[Redacted]

Response 3946.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3947

Laurence And Christine Taylor <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Laurence And Christine Taylor
<action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 13:10:27 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners

↓ 3947.001

Comment Letter 3947.....Taylor, L.

Response 3947.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

power plant from coal to clean energy. **COMMENT #3947**



Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3947.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that this decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

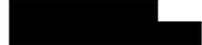
3947.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Ban bios shit now and do your godDamn Jobs.

Sincerely,

Mr. Laurence And Christine Taylor



Response 3947.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3947.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3948

Abbie Ghini <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Abbie Ghini <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 10:10:13 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3948.001

Hey! We are downwind here!!! So is the rest of the world, for that matter. Don't use excuses like "more jobs" to poop in your own backyard.

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3948.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in

↓ 3948.003

Comment Letter 3948..... Ghini, A.

Response 3948.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3948.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3948.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3948
American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. ↑

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Abbie Ghini
[Redacted Signature]

Conversation Contents COMMENT #3949

No More New Coal Mines!

Tena Scruggs <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Tena Scruggs <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 10:40:15 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: No More New Coal Mines!

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

We don't want this! I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3949.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3949.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would

3949.003

Comment Letter 3949..... Scruggs, T.

Response 3949.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3949.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3949.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

ensure such a transition.

COMMENT #3949

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Tena Scruggs



COMMENT #3950

James Thompson <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: James Thompson <action@wildearthguardians.org>
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disgusted that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. Who the bloody hell do you think you are?

3950.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I demand that you use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3950.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3950.003

I demand that the Office of Surface Mining stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. I demand that you adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Thompson



Comment Letter 3950..... Thompson, J.

Response 3950.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3950.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3950.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3951

Marilyn & Tom Finnelli <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 08:10:09 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 3951.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 3951.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 3951.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you. do it,,

Sincerely,

Mr. Marilyn & Tom Finnelli


Comment Letter 3951..... Finnelli, M.

Response 3951.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3951.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3951.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3952

Amy Harlib <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Amy Harlib <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 02:39:30 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

NO MORE COAL!

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3952.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3952.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and allowing the agency to re-evaluate its decision, we can enable such a transition.

3952.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Amy Harlib



Comment Letter 3952..... Harlib, A.

Response 3952.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3952.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3952.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3953

Denise Bowland <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Denise Bowland <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 05:39:47 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 3953.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

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new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 3953.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 3953.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you. YES, THANK YOU!!!!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Denise Bowland


Comment Letter 3953..... Bowland, D.

Response 3953.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3953.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3953.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3954

Fran Fulwiler <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Fran Fulwiler <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Wed Jun 25 2014 01:09:24 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

As someone who is greatly concerned about climate change, I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3954.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3954.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3954.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Fran Fulwiler


Comment Letter 3954..... Fulwiler, F.

Response 3954.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3954.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3954.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3955

Joan Walker <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Joan Walker <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 22:39:10 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am extremely disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3955.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I strongly urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining, given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and

3955.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3955.003

I strongly urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Joan Walker



Comment Letter 3955..... Walker, J.

Response 3955.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3955.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3955.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3956

Joy Schochet <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Joy Schochet <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 23:39:15 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. It is unbelievable that today, with all of the information we have about coal and the deleterious consequences of its usage, we continue to encourage its use in energy creation. We cannot continue to approve "just one more" coal-burning project in this country. We can and must say "NO" to using coal to generate energy and if we have to pay more for this energy, it will encourage conservation and teach us that our actions have consequences.

3956.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the

3956.002

Comment Letter 3956.....Schochet, J.

Response 3956.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3956.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

nation.

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3956.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Joy Schochet



Response 3956.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3957

Conversation Contents

Please Do not Green Light More Coal Mining

Frederick Mackey <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Frederick Mackey <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 23:09:12 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Please Do not Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 25, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Today I am writing because I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3957.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3957.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant.

3957.003

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Mr. Frederick Mackey

Comment Letter 3957.....Mackey, F.

Response 3957.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3957.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3957.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3958

CONVERSATION CONTENTS

Carbon Pollution Reduction Can Start at Four Corners

Jim Steitz <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Jim Steitz <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 22:39:10 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Carbon Pollution Reduction Can Start at Four Corners

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

The Obama Administration has affirmed that America's compelling national interest lies in curtailing catastrophic global warming. The power of the OSM over this very significant source of carbon pollution within federal jurisdiction must be exercised toward that national interest. Only a 'no-action' alternative that terminates the malicious mining and burning of coal to operate the Four Corners power plant is in the American public interest, and OSM must adopt such a no-action alternative. To reduce global warming is not compatible with a continued executive agency blessing of coal burning within its own facilities. The carbon diet that climate science requires of us must start now, and start at the lowest-hanging fruit of this power plant.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3958.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No

3958.002

Comment Letter 3958..... Steitz, J.

Response 3958.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3958.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.



In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3958.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Jim Steitz



Response 3958.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3959

Conversation Contents

Don't Approve More Coal Mining

Marilyn Martin <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Marilyn Martin <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 20:38:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Approve More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I strongly oppose the Office of Surface Mining's rejection of any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3959.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has the authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3959.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't turn a blind eye to the fact that this decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining can help communities in the American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant.

3959.003

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marilyn Martin



Comment Letter 3959..... Martin, M.

Response 3959.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3959.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3959.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3960

Judy Blaisdell <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Judy Blaisdell <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 20:08:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I find it ridiculous that the Office of Surface Mining rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. What an outrageous thing to do.

3960.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy. You come live here and breathe this pollution. It might just change your mind.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3960.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually. It is the future for your children too.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3960.003

efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judy Blaisdell



Comment Letter 3960..... Blaisdell, J.

Response 3960.001

Please see Master Response #2, Alternatives.

Response 3960.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3960.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3961

Frank Ackerman <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Frank Ackerman <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 20:08:57 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3961.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3961.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3961.003

By approving this you show your complete disregard for the health of native Americans. And show how corrupt you are in enabling the Anti-Democracy, Anti-American, corrupt, greedy, lying, coal industry to profit at the expense of US citizens.

3961.004

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Frank Ackerman



Comment Letter 3961..... Ackerman, F.

Response 3961.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3961.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3961.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3961.004

A human health risk assessment was conducted in support of the Draft EIS preparation. A summary of the results can be found in Section 4.17, Health and Safety. An evaluation of potentially disproportionate impacts to minority and low-income populations is provided in Section 4.11, Environmental Justice.

COMMENT #3962

Mayellen Henry <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Mayellen Henry <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 19:08:59 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining
Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Why on earth does this area need to burn coal. With this much sun and wind surely this is a place that can benefit in every way by changing over.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 3962.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 3962.002

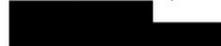
In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 3962.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mayellen Henry



Comment Letter 3962.....Henry, M.

Response 3962.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3962.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3962.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3963

Ellen Halbert <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Ellen Halbert <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 19:08:53 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3963.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3963.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3963.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

The Four Corners area is a beautiful but fragile natural area that is entirely antithetical to coal pollution. Please keep the Four Corners clean and moving toward a sustainable future! Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ellen Halbert


Comment Letter 3963..... Halbert, E.

Response 3963.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3963.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3963.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3964

Janine Moore <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Janine Moore <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 19:08:59 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3964.001

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

3964.002

Sincerely,

Ms. Janine Moore



Comment Letter 3964..... Moore, J.

Response 3964.001

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3964.002

Climate change is addressed in Section 4.2 of the Draft EIS. OSMRE is considering all alternatives evaluated in the Draft EIS, including the No Action Alternative, and will publish its decision in a Record of Decision in spring 2015.

COMMENT #3965

Landon Hilliard <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Landon Hilliard <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 19:38:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 3965.001

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 3965.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

I ask the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Landon Hilliard



Comment Letter 3965..... Hilliard,L.

Response 3965.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3965.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3966

Coal

Jane Beattie <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Jane Beattie <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 19:38:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Coal

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Please transition the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

Stop undermining national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy.

Please, adopt a No Action Alternative for a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant.

Sincerely,

Ms. Jane Beattie

[Redacted Signature]

3966.001

Comment Letter 3966.....Beattie, J.

Response 3966.001

Thank you for your comment. Please see Master Response #2, Alternatives. OSMRE is considering all alternatives evaluated in the Draft EIS, including the No Action Alternative, and will publish its decision in a Record of Decision in spring 2015.

COMMENT #3967

Lauren Haley <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Lauren Haley <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 18:38:51 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3967.001

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Miss Lauren Haley
[Redacted]

Comment Letter 3967..... Haley, L.

Response 3967.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT #3968

Beverly Walker <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Beverly Walker <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 18:38:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Our government should be helping us stop the destruction of our environment. My taxes should not be supporting industrial pollution. We must change our ways and your agency should be in the forefront of ecological practices. You know it's the better thing to do.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3968.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the nation.

3968.002



In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3968.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Beverly Walker



Comment Letter 3968..... Walker, B.

Response 3968.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3968.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3968.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3969

Jack Spallino <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Jack Spallino <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 18:38:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3969.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3969.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

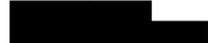
3969.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

I always thought that in America, nothing was impossible, if we could ever get the greedy sociopaths from trying to convince us they are on our side! No more Coal! What kills me is the fact that there is plenty of room for solar, and Germany just supplied 50% of their electricity from it! Why are we still living in the 20th Century? Is it graft?

Sincerely,

Mr. Jack Spallino



Comment Letter 3969.....Spallino, J.

Response 3969.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3969.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3969.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3970

AJ Averett <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: AJ Averett <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 18:38:57 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

From cradle to grave, coal is THE dirtiest energy source we have. The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits, and I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would REJECT more coal mining, given the proven significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, our nation and the entire planet.

Having driven through the region regularly on my way from the Northeast to California (and back), I have seen this plant many times, and am extremely disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean, safe, abundant and sustainable energy (the source-cost of which is identically zero).

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, adding substantial carbon pollution and toxic contamination to a region that has long suffered from the ill In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean, safe, abundant and inexhaustible energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. .3970.001

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean, safe and sustainable energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. AJ Averett


Comment Letter 3970.....Averett, A.

Response 3970.001

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3971

Judith Castiano <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Judith Castiano <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 17:38:48 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

ONCE AGAIN PROFITS ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE KILLING OF HUMANS,
NONHUMANS AND PLANTS! OUR PLANET IS BEING DESTROYED, RAPED,
PILLAGED
AND MAKE INTO ONE HUGE GARBAGE HEAP ALL FOR THE SAKE OF \$\$\$\$\$\$.
INSTEAD OF COLLUDING WITH THE INDUSTRY AND THROWING THE LIVING
BEINGS
WHO WILL DIE UNDER THE BUS, WHY DON'T YOU DO YOUR JOB!!!!

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any
alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners
power plant from coal to clean energy.

3971.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied
with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and
contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects
of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for
new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No

3971.002

Comment Letter 3971.....Castiano, J.

Response 3971.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3971.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the
alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the
public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the
spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3971

significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Judith Castiano

[Redacted signature]



3971.003

Response 3971.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3972

Barbara Griffith <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Barbara Griffith <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 18:08:51 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3972.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3972.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. What is needed in this area is a fully gas powered power plant that would eliminate much of the carbon pollution that pours from these smoke stacks. The air around this plant would clear up so you could actually see the next hill over.

3972.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Barbara Griffith



Comment Letter 3972..... Griffith, B.

Response 3972.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3972.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3972.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3973

Patricia Conkel <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Patricia Conkel <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 18:08:46 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

there is no time for staying in this destructive rut. I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3973.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3973.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3973.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Patricia Conkel



Comment Letter 3973..... Conkel, P.

Response 3973.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3973.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3973.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3974

Mary Able <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Mary Able <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 17:38:41 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Truly, what can you people be thinking??? The science is there...it is undeniable. Not to transition from coal to clean energy is simply amoral, unethical and unconscionable.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3974.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3974.002

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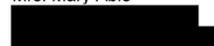
The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3974.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Mary Able



Comment Letter 3974..... Able, M.

Response 3974.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3974.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3974.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3975

Reject Permits for More Coal Mining

Marcus Lanskey <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Marcus Lanskey <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 17:08:41 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Reject Permits for More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

We've had enough dirty air and carbon pollution from the Four--corners of our state. I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3975.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3975.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal enable such a transition.

3975.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Marcus Lanskey



Comment Letter 3975..... Lanskey, M.

Response 3975.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3975.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3975.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3976

Eve Duplissis <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Eve Duplissis <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 15:38:22 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Please Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am saddened that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3976.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. Please use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3976.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3976.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Eve Duplissis



Comment Letter 3976..... Duplissis, E.

Response 3976.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3976.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3976.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3977

Douglas Deaton deaton@wildearthguardians.org

Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 16:38:31 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 3977.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

Please adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Douglas Deaton


Comment Letter 3977..... Deaton, D.

Response 3977.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT #3978

M Langelan <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: M Langelan <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 15:38:22 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am very disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. Under your proposal, the four corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

3978.001

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3978.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3978.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. M Langelan


Comment Letter 3978..... Langelan, M.

Response 3978.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3978.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3978.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3979

Donna Smith <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Donna Smith <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 15:38:22 GMT-0600 (MDT)
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Having treasured the opportunity to participate in the archaeological digs at Crow Canyon, I value both the historic importance of this region and also the present value of air quality. As a nation we must protect our country from air pollution, such as that from coal-powered plants.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3979.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3979.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining should not turn a blind eye to the fact that this decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

It is time to help communities in the American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3979.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Comment Letter 3979..... Smith, D.

Response 3979.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3979.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3979.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3980

Don't Green Light More Coal Mining, PLEASE!

Dave and Rita Cross <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Dave and Rita Cross <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 15:08:17 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining, PLEASE!

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

We are disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy!

3980.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy! Incredible misake!

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. We urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation!

3980.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually! Unbelievable!

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would We urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant!

3980.003

Thank you for making a wise and responsible decision!

Sincerely,

Mr. Dave and Rita Cross

Comment Letter 3980..... Cross, D.

Response 3980.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3980.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3980.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3981

rebecca tippens <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: rebecca tippens <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 14:38:22 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am VERY disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3981.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3981.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3981.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. rebecca tippens


Comment Letter 3981..... Tippens, R.

Response 3981.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3981.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3981.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3982

Andrea Bowen <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Andrea Bowen <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 15:08:27 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Coal harms US health, look at China where coal pollution is killing millions a year

Sincerely,

Ms. Andrea Bowen

Comment Letter 3982..... Bowen, A.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #3983

Polly Tarpley <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Polly Tarpley <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 15:08:28 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3983.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3983.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3983.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

My consistent response, when being presented with idiocy like this is "follow the lobbying money!" It certainly appears to be the case in this problem. The solution is obvious, and yet the "responsible" parties involved are going in the opposite direction! HMMMMM!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Polly Tarpley



Comment Letter 3983.....Tarpley, P.

Response 3983.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3983.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3983.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3984

Charles Fox <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Charles Fox <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 14:08:17 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

There is no excuse for promoting the extraction of coal anywhere, anytime. Coal is the dirtiest, most climate-disrupting fuel in existence and it's use must be phased out immediately. Stop threatening our national security and our futures.

I am extremely disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3984.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3984.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3984.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Charles Fox



Comment Letter 3984.....Fox, C.

Response 3984.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3984.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3984.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3985

Four Corners power plant proposal is unacceptable!

Larry Lambeth <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Larry Lambeth <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 14:38:22 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Four Corners power plant proposal is unacceptable!

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Stop the Four Corners power plant pollution of the southwest which adversely affects native Americans, poisons our water, pollutes our air and emits greenhouse gases! I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3985.001

Their are far better alternatives than coal! Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining you to reject more coal mining permits. Use your authority to protect our citizens, our environment and our future; adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the damage it inflicts and the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3985.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining must recognize the fact that a decision for permits will enable nearly 10 million tons of unmitigated carbon pollution and billions of dollars of damage annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil burning; the agency is choosing alternatives that would ensure a better future with clean energy.

3985.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Support the President and the EPA and put citizens before corporate profits and polluters schemes.

Sincerely,

Mr. Larry Lambeth

Comment Letter 3985.....Lambeth, L.

Response 3985.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3985.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3985.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3986

Amy Carpenter <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Amy Carpenter <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:38:12 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am extremely dismayed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected  **3986.001**

Comment Letter 3986..... Carpenter, A.

Response 3986.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

COMMENT 3986

any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.



Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3986.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3986.003

This is obviously more of the same old story: the assumption that because this area is one of extreme poverty it will gladly compromise the health of the environment and the health of its population in the name of more jobs. This is a classic class warfare situation and New Mexicans need to object to more sacrifices being asked of the poor for the enrichment of a privileged upper class few. Enough!!! What we need to demand is environmentally friendly job creation for this area in New Mexico...the wind and solar energy fields, in particular.

3986.004

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you

Sincerely,

Ms. Amy Carpenter



Response 3986.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3986.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3986.004

A human health risk assessment was conducted in support of the Draft EIS preparation. A summary of the results can be found in Section 4.17, Health and Safety. An evaluation of potentially disproportionate impacts to minority and low-income populations is provided in Section 4.11, Environmental Justice.

COMMENT 3987

Sanford Brown <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Sanford Brown <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:38:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

What are you? the ANTI-Environmental Protection Agency???

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3987.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3987.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3987.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Sanford Brown



Comment Letter 3987..... Brown, S.

Response 3987.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3987.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3987.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3988

MaryAnn Peters <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: MaryAnn Peters <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:38:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

How can the Office of Surface Mining so blatantly reject any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy? Are you saying that there exists NO ALTERNATIVE to more dirty emissions from the use of coal?

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3988.001

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3988.002

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. MaryAnn Peters



Comment Letter 3988.....Peters, M.

Response 3988.001

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3988.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3989

Michael Farrell <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Michael Farrell <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 14:08:17 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,
Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am extremely disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3989.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3989.002

The Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3989.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Michael Farrell


Comment Letter 3989.....Farrell, M.

Response 3989.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3989.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3989.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3990

Katherine Delanoy <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Katherine Delanoy <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 13:08:14 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am truly upset that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3990.001
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Do you really want the Four Corners power plant to be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy?

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits.

I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, our nation, my state, and my daughter, who lives downwind of that area.

3990.002

How can you turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually?

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest to move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3990.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy.

Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Katherine Delanoy



Comment Letter 3990..... Delanoy, K.

Response 3990.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3990.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3990.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3991

From: Bernard Cullen <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 13:38:15 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I live in North Central New Mexico; Edgewood. Please do not infect my neighborhood with soot, carbon emissions and other pollutants. The era of coal is over; coal is the only energy sector that is not engaged in bolstering its business model with other sources of energy. We use solar primarily with some gas and within a few years we will rely solely on solar and wind.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3991.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3991.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3991.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bernard Cullen

[Redacted signature]

Comment Letter 3991..... Cullen, B.

Response 3991.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3991.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3991.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3992

Pamela Grieser <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Pamela Grieser <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 13:38:15 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am VERY disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. YOU DON'T LIKE CLEAN

3992.001

ENERGY? WHY?

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3992.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3992.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pamela Grieser



Comment Letter 3992.....Griesser, P.

Response 3992.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3992.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3992.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3993

James Lazell <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: James Lazell <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 13:08:16 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am an environmental scientist disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3933.001

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3933.002

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. James Lazell



Comment Letter 3993.....Lazell, J.

Response 3993.001

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3993.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3994

Conversation Contents

NO NO NO to More Coal Mining

Yolanda Garcia <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Yolanda Garcia <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 13:08:15 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: NO NO NO to More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3994.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy. As a life-long resident of New Mexico, I highly resent this action!

As you are aware, the Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. This must be done!

3994.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't act so carelessly and imprudently, enabling nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity, a responsibility, to help communities in the Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. They are contradicting their responsibilities.

3994.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Yolanda Garcia

Comment Letter 3994..... Garcia, Y.

Response 3994.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3994.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3994.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3995

Conversation Contents

Prevent More Coal Mining

Beth Birnbaum <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Beth Birnbaum <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 13:08:06 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Prevent More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I remember when my children's school was heated with coal. Asthma attacks were frequent, the children and teachers had headaches, eye problems, and coughing. Everything was covered with black oily filth. Multiply this by the effects of a power plant burning coal, in addition to the destruction of mining it, and it shows our nation as stupid, greed, and self destructive. It has to stop.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3995.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3995.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact

Comment Letter 3995..... Birnbaum, B.

Response 3995.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3995.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

COMMENT 3995

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3995.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Beth Birnbaum



Response 3995.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Susan Robinson <action@wildearthguardians.org>
COMMENT #3996
From: Susan Robinson <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 12:38:02 GMT-0600 (MDT)

COMMENT #3996
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Susan Robinson


Comment Letter 3996.....Robinson, S.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT #3997

Kathryn Dalenberg <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Kathryn Dalenberg <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 12:38:04 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Are you idiots? I am disgusted that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3997.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I insist you use that authority to adopt a No

3997.002

Comment Letter 3997.....Dalenberg, K.

Response 3997.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3997.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT #3997

Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.



In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually. And I hope you get fired when Obama learns what you are doing!

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 3997.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. NOW!

Sincerely,

Ms. Kathryn Dalenberg



Response 3997.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3998

Judy Merrick <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Judy Merrick <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 12:08:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3998.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3998.002

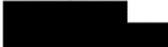
There is no such thing as "can't say no". You most certainly can say "no" to coal power plants.

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

3998.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.
Sincerely,

Ms. Judy Merrick


Comment Letter 3998..... Merrick, J.

Response 3998.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 3998.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3998.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 3999



Constance Pepin <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Constance Pepin <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 12:08:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am very disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

3999.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

3999.002

Especially in light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply ignore the fact that this decision would enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in the American Southwest, including the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a necessary transition.

3999.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Constance Pepin



Comment Letter 3999..... Pepin, C.

Response 3999.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 3999.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 3999.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4000

Sue Stoudemire <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Sue Stoudemire <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 12:08:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

NO NO NO NO NO TO COAL MINING!

REVERS YOUR POSITION. I am INFURIATED that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would transition the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 4000.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. 4000.002

Comment Letter 4000..... Stoudemire, S.

Response 4000.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4000.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4000

I urge you to use your authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that rejects more coal mining!

Please take seriously the significant threat to our climate, our health, and our nation.

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable ALMOST 10 MILLION TONS OF CARBON POLLUTION A YEAR!

UNACCEPTABLE!

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Sue Stoudemire

[REDACTED]



4000.003

Response 4000.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4001

Nancy Shinn <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Nancy Shinn <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:37:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

My husband and I are upset and disgusted that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 4001.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. We urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 4001.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 4001.003

We urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Nancy Shinn



Comment Letter 4001..... Shinn, N.

Response 4001.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 4001.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4001.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4002

Maggie Schafer <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Maggie Schafer <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 12:08:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4002.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4002.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4002.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

DIRTY SALLY IS ALL ABOUT ENERGY AND WILL SELL OUT EVERYTHING TO POLITICS AND SPECIAL INTERESTS! STOP THE RAPE OF AMERICAN AND STOP THE PERSECUTION OF WILDLIFE!

Sincerely,

Ms. Maggie Schafer

Comment Letter 4002.....Schafer, M.

Response 4002.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4002.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4002.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4003

Alwyn Jones <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Alwyn Jones <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:37:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alwyn Jones



Comment Letter 4003.....Jones, A.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 4004

Pamela Bolton <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Pamela Bolton <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:37:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Our planet, and its people, cannot survive if something isn't done about the pollution filling our air and earth. End the coal usage and insist that a cleaner source be found. We have but one planet. If we destroy it, where will we go??

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4004.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4004.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4004.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pamela Bolton



Comment Letter 4004..... Bolton, P.

Response 4004.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 4004.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4004.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4005

Alex Keir <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Alex Keir <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:37:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am more than disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4005.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4005.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that this decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. Is it logical to continue to support big coal when the costs of climate change are increasing? I and many others don't think so.

4005.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Alex Keir



Comment Letter 4005..... Keir, A.

Response 4005.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 4005.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4005.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4006

Pierre Schlemel <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Pierre Schlemel <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:37:59 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am GREATLY disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has REJECTED ANY alternative that would provide for the TRANSITION of the Four Corners power plant from coal to CLEAN energy. 4006.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for DECADES longer, FUELING carbon pollution AND contamination in a region that has LONG suffered from the ILL effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to REJECT applications for new coal mining permits. I STRONGLY urge YOU to USE that authority to adopt a NO ACTION Alternative that would REJECT more coal mining given the SIGNIFICANT threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 4006.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon REDUCTIONS nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining CANNOT simply turn a BLIND eye to the FACT that its decision will ENABLE nearly 10 MILLION tons of carbon POLLUTION annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to HELP communities in the American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move BEYOND fossil fuels and reap the BENEFITS of clean energy. By approving MORE coal mining and burning, the agency is FORECLOSING alternatives that would ENABLE such a transition. 4006.003

I STRONGLY urge the Office of Surface Mining to STOP undermining our national efforts to COMBAT climate change and cultivate CLEAN energy. Please, ADOPT a NO Action Alternative that will ENSURE a FULL transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Pierre Schlemel



Comment Letter 4006.....Schlemel, P.

Response 4006.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4006.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4006.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Conversation Comments COMMENT 4007
No More Coal Mining

Bob Brister <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Bob Brister <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:07:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: No More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bob Brister


Comment Letter 4007.....Brister, B.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 4008
Linc Cole <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Linc Cole <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:07:58 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

This is absolutely absurd! The Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4008.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4008.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4008.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Comment Letter 4008.....Cole, L.

Response 4008.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4008.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4008.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4009

Doris Vician <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Doris Vician <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:07:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4009.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4009.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4009.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you. We like clean air and blue skies in NM.

Sincerely,

Ms. Doris Vician



Comment Letter 4009.....Vician, D.

Response 4009.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4009.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4009.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4010

David Gustafson <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: David Gustafson <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:07:56 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining
Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am very disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4010.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4010.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4010.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. David Gustafson


Comment Letter 4010..... Gustafson, D.

Response 4010.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4010.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4010.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4011

Cynthia Arnold <action@wildearthguardians.org>

Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:07:55 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am extremely disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4011.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4011.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4011.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Cynthia Arnold
[Redacted Signature]

Comment Letter 4011.....Arnold, C.

Response 4011.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4011.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4011.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4012

Leon Trumpp <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Leon Trumpp <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:07:59 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 4012.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 4012.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 4012.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Don't coddle the filthy coal industry . There never is such a thing as clean coal .

Sincerely,

Mr. Leon Trumpp


Comment Letter 4012..... Trumpp, L.

Response 4012.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4012.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4012.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4013

Barbara Rystrom <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Barbara Rystrom <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 11:07:59 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining
Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Aren't you concerned about global warming and they possible terrible consequences?

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 4013.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 4013.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 4013.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara Rystrom



Comment Letter 4013.....Rystrom, B.

Response 4013.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4013.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4013.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4014

Marcella Crane <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Marcella Crane <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:38:12 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle
Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I live in AZ and have visited the area and it is downright gross. Even the smog and pollution prevents tourists from fully experiencing the Grand Canyon as the haze can be so bad. So I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4014.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4014.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4014.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Marcella Crane


Comment Letter 4014.....Crane, M.

Response 4014.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4014.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4014.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4015

Margaret Hadderman <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Margaret Hadderman <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:37:51 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am outraged that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4015.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4015.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4015.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Margaret Hadderman



Comment Letter 4015.....Hadderman, M.

Response 4015.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4015.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4015.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4016

Elizabeth Blumenstock <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Elizabeth Blumenstock <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:37:51 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

We are fast approaching unbelievable climate instability in our world, our only world. We now only have time for the right decisions.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4016.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4016.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4016.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Elizabeth Blumenstock



Comment Letter 4016.....Blumenstock, E.

Response 4016.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4016.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4016.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4017

Catherine Heyne <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Catherine Heyne <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:38:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am alarmed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected all alternatives that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy, especially to something like solar.

4017.001

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. Under your current proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

4017.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually, not to mention the toxic wastes generated in the form of ash, sludge, toxic chemicals, and heat that create more environmental problems.

According to the American Lung Association, 24,000 people a year die prematurely because of pollution from coal-fired power plants. And every year 38,000 heart attacks, 12,000 hospital admissions and an additional 550,000 asthma attacks result from power plant pollution.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4017.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Catherine Heyne



Comment Letter 4017..... Heyne, C.

Response 4017.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4017.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4017.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

CONVERSION COMMENTS COMMENT 4018
Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Richard Leonard <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Richard Leonard <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:37:51 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014
Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 4018.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 4018.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would 4018.003

Comment Letter 4018..... Leonard, R.

Response 4018.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4018.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4018.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4018

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Interior Dept. and Office of Surface Mining,
Have you people totally lost it!!! Have your brains withered away to nothing but Swiss Cheese with no sense of responsibility, moral obligation, or consideration of scientific data!!! What is all this dissimilating and outright caving in to lobbyists and mining!!! I'm amazed that you still walk on only two limbs----four would be more appropriate!!!! RDLeonard

Sincerely,

Mr. Richard Leonard


COMMENT 4019
NO Green Light of Coal Mining

Antonia Shouse <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Antonia Shouse <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:37:50 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: NO Green Light of Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

Shocking it is that you have no recognition of the state of our planet, we must have CLEAN ENERGY NOW.

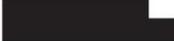
WHY has the Office of Surface Mining rejected any alternative for transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

Such mindsets MUST CHANGE. The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. SO, reject more coal mining.

Please stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. IMMEDIATELY, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ms. Antonia Shouse


Comment Letter 4019..... Shouse, A.

Response

Thank you for your comment.

COMMENT 4020

Teresa Seamster <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: Teresa Seamster <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:38:01 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy. 4020.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation. 4020.001

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that is decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition. 4020.001

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national

Comment Letter 4020..... Seamster, T.

Response 4020.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives.

Response 4020.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4020.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4020

adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

EVERY DELAY YOU ALLOW IN THE COMMON-SENSE REDUCTION OF CO2 POLLUTION JUST ADDS MORE COST AND MORE DAMAGE TO THE NEXT GENERATION. WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE YOU RESPONSIBLE AND FINALLY REQUIRE TRANSITION TO CLEAN ENERGY?

STOP BEING SO CRAVEN AND TAKE THE SENSIBLE STEPS SO MANY GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS HAVE GIVEN YOU TO FOLLOW.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Teresa Seamster

A black rectangular redaction box covering the signature of Mrs. Teresa Seamster.

COMMENT 4021

John Burrige <action@wildearthguardians.org>

From: John Burrige <action@wildearthguardians.org>
Sent: Tue Jun 24 2014 10:37:51 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: FCPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov
Subject: Don't Green Light More Coal Mining

Jun 24, 2014

Marcelo Calle

Dear Calle,

Re: Four Corners Power Plant EIS

I write as a retired chemical engineer well acquainted with the industry and the problems it causes.

I am disappointed that the Office of Surface Mining has rejected any alternative that would provide for the transition of the Four Corners power plant from coal to clean energy.

4021.001

Under your proposal, the Four Corners power plant would be supplied with coal for decades longer, fueling carbon pollution and contamination in a region that has long suffered from the ill effects of dirty energy.

The Office of Surface Mining has authority to reject applications for new coal mining permits. I urge you to use that authority to adopt a No Action Alternative that would reject more coal mining given the significant threat that it poses to our climate, our health, and our nation.

4021.002

In light of President Obama's call for carbon reductions nationwide, the Office of Surface Mining can't simply turn a blind eye to the fact that its decision will enable nearly 10 million tons of carbon pollution annually.

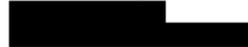
The Office of Surface Mining has an opportunity to help communities in American Southwest, including on the Navajo Nation, move beyond fossil fuels and reap the benefits of clean energy. By approving more coal mining and burning, the agency is foreclosing alternatives that would enable such a transition.

4021.003

I urge the Office of Surface Mining to stop undermining our national efforts to combat climate change and cultivate clean energy. Please, adopt a No Action Alternative that will ensure a full transition from coal at the Four Corners Power Plant. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Burrige



Comment Letter 4021.....Burrige, J.

Response 4021.001

Please see Master Response #2, Renewable Energy Alternatives

Response 4021.002

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

Response 4021.003

Thank you for your comment. OSMRE is considering all of the alternatives that were analyzed in the Draft EIS and will inform the public of its decision via the Record of Decision, anticipated in the spring of 2015.

COMMENT 4022

May 2, 2014
Comment by: Howard John
From: Newcomb, New Mexico

MR. HOWARD JOHN: I'm concerned that we got three women that got cancer. One of them they buried today and last week and one of them relatives got a cancer too. I just wonder why is that. Is it because of the smog we had for so many years, we can't even see the mountains? Or I don't know what you call this mountain. Hesper's Peak. It's a sacred mountain. We hadn't seen Hesper for a long time. I just wonder about the smog, you know. Maybe it's going to kill us all one of these days.

It's what I'm thinking about. I don't know. I say, why, why, why. I wonder, how did they get the cancer? That's what I wonder. So many people around here, they got it, you know. That's my main concern. That's it.

(End of comment.)

4022.001

Comment Letter 4022.....John, H.

Response 4022.001

Thank you for your comment. A discussion of human health risk assessment conducted for the project is provided in Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS and addresses cancer risk.

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3 messages

Vincent Yazzie <[REDACTED]> Fri, Jul 11, 2014 at 12:42 PM
Reply-To: Vincent Yazzie <[REDACTED]>
To: OSM FCPP-Navajo-Energy-EIS <fcpnavajoenergyeis@osmre.gov>
Cc: Mike Eisenfeld <[REDACTED]>, Lori Goodman <[REDACTED]>, Sylvia Clahchischilli <[REDACTED]>, Percy Deal <[REDACTED]>, "D. H." <[REDACTED]>, Adella Begaye <[REDACTED]>

July 11, 2014

Marcelo Calle
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Vincent H. Yazzie
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Subject: Four Corners-Navajo Mine DEIS Comments.

Dear Mr. Calle,

A blackout occurred on September 8, 2011.
<http://www.ferc.gov/legal/staff-reports/04-27-2012-ferc-nerc-report.pdf>

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Comment Letter 4023..... Yazzie, V.

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COMMENT 4023

Moenkopi Station has to install phasor measuring equipment.

http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/7286/000110465914050314/a14-16609_1ex99d1.htm

Reliability Enhancements

14. In exchange for the \$1,250,000 offset, APS shall complete the following Reliability Enhancements:
- a. Install Phasor Measurement Units at Moenkopi, Yavapai, Morgan, Pinnacle Peak, and Cholla (both 345 and 500 kV);
 - b. Install and/or pay its share of the capacitor bank for Western-DSW's Kofa substation; and
 - c. Implement Phase I and Phase II of its ECC Visualization Project, which will provide system operators with a visual geo-spatial representation of RTCA results.

Four Corners Power Plant needs to implement SMART Grid Technology which PGE did for their system.

http://www.pge.com/includes/docs/pdfs/shared/edusafety/electric/SmartGridDeploymentPlan2011_06-30-11.pdf

4023.001

The Smart Grid will integrate wind and solar supplies to give customers more clean and renewable energy. The Smart Grid will also support more widespread customer adoption of rooftop solar as well as "smart charging" programs that encourage the use of zero-emission electric vehicles while helping protect the safety and reliability of the energy grid.

Sincerely,

Vincent H Yazzie

Response 4023.001

Thank you for your comment. A discussion of human health risk assessment conducted for the project is provided in Section 4.17 of the Draft EIS and addresses cancer risk.

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1 message

Vincent Yazzie <[REDACTED]> Wed, Jul 2, 2014 at 9:23 AM
Reply-To: Vincent Yazzie <[REDACTED]>
To: "F CPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov" <F CPPNavajoEnergyEIS@osmre.gov>
Cc: Percy Deal <[REDACTED]>, Lori Goodman <[REDACTED]>, Sylvia Clahchischilli <[REDACTED]>, Adella Begaye <[REDACTED]>, D H <[REDACTED]>

July 2, 2014

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Vincent H. Yazzie
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[REDACTED]

Subject: Four Corners-Navajo Mine DEIS Comments.

Dear Mr. Calle,

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The Costs Of Carbon Pollution](#)

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Comment Letter 4024..... Yazzie, V.

Response 4024

A quantitative analysis of the social cost of carbon (SCC) has been added to the Final EIS in Section 4.2. The Draft EIS considered the SCC in a qualitative manner, but did not quantify the effects. Subsequent to issuance of the Draft EIS, CEQ published Draft Guidance on climate change analysis (CEQ 2014), in which CEQ indicates that emissions monetization is not required in every project-level NEPA analysis. Nonetheless, OSMRE determined that a quantitative analysis would be included in the Final EIS, following the Interagency Working Group Methods. The results of the SCC analysis do not change the conclusions or the findings of level of significance for the Climate Change issue; however, the analysis has been added to provide additional context to OSMRE's decision.

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COMMENT 4024
In a landmark decision on Friday that could have far-reaching implications for federal coal leasing, a...

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Court Blocks Coal Mine Expansion For Not Counting The Costs Of Carbon Pollution

By Nidhi Thakar, Guest Contributor June 30, 2014 at 1:32 pm Updated: July 1, 2014 at 2:17 pm

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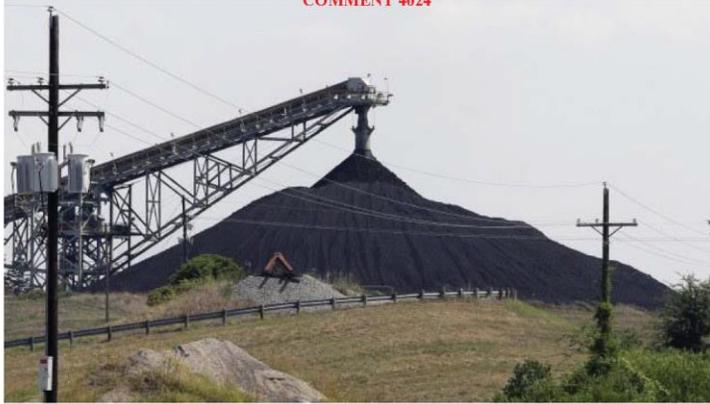
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In a [landmark decision](#) on Friday that could have far-reaching implications for federal coal leasing, a U.S. District Court judge ruled against the expansion of Arch Coal's West Elk mine in Colorado for failure of federal regulators to consider the [social cost of carbon](#) in their environmental review.

The decision issued by Judge Jackson of the U.S. District Court in Colorado found that the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service overlooked the costs of carbon emissions from the mining and combustion operations associated with the mine's expansion even though the agencies acknowledged that expanding West Elk's operations would likely result in greater greenhouse gas emissions.

Friday's ruling is the result of a [challenge](#) brought by environmental groups contesting three agency decisions on the [Colorado Roadless Rule](#) and

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expansion of the West Elk mine in the Sunset Roadless Area. This region is a part of the treasured North Fork Valley backcountry in western Colorado which abuts the iconic West Elk Wilderness and is a destination for hikers and hunters and habitat for the threatened lynx.

The agencies' decisions would have permitted Arch Coal to expand the West Elk Mine into 1,700 acres of the Sunset Roadless Area, the bulldozing of six miles of road, and the construction almost 50 well pads for the venting of methane from the mine expansion. Methane is a [potent greenhouse gas](#) and the second-most prevalent GHG emitted in the United States after carbon dioxide.

According to the decision, the BLM and Forest Service initially found that the social cost of carbon associated with the expansion could be as high as \$984 million, but the agencies arbitrarily scrapped this analysis from the final environmental impact statement. However the associated benefits of the project were still included in the agencies' analysis. The court called this error "more than a mere flyspeck."

The ruling goes on to acknowledge that agencies are required to analyze the effects of their actions on climate change. The court noted that the BLM and Forest Service "acknowledged that there might be impacts from GHGs in the form of methane emitted from mining operations and from carbon dioxide resulting from combustion of coal produced," and "this reasonably foreseeable effect must be analyzed." The decision was issued just in time before Arch

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Coal's exploration activities were set to begin on July 1, and stops the expansion of the West Elk coal mine and any associated surface or below-ground activity, including bulldozing or construction, for now until the parties can agree on how to move forward.

Expanded coal leasing in the American West, particularly the coal-rich Powder River Basin in Wyoming and Montana, has been a **hotly contested** issue in **recent years**, with parties raising significant concerns over the climate effects of burning the coal mined in the region.

This court's decision reminds agencies to consider climate impacts when making decisions affecting federal lands.

Nidhi Thakar is the Deputy Director of the Public Lands Project at the Center for American Progress.

Alternative E - No Action.

Sincerely,

Vincent H Yazzie

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