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Project Name: Fargo to St. Cloud 345 kV Transmission Project

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Impact: Eight years ago my husband and I built our dream home on land we bought from my mother and father-in-law's century farm. We built a rambler style house with main floor laundry with the intent to retire here someday. I fear the 175 foot power line will destroy all we have worked for. Together with our 4 and 2 year old children we planted about 40 trees on our property that we will not get to see grow. We will have to move as we fear for the health of our children who already deal with seizures. We will also miss out on the sight of watching turtles cross 360th street Avon MN where they would cross to lay their eggs. This is something my husbnd has enjoyed as a child but my children will only see until the 345kilovolt transmissionn line puts an end to it. The turtle survived crossing the road for years yet will not survive 345 kilovolts ripping through their bodies. These turtles were listed on the special concern list back in 1984. Who will protect these concerned species?
If it has to come down my dead end road and my house or my neighbors house has to go,I would rather you tear my home down and pay us a fair price. I sadly say tear my home down because I will not let my children live by this cancer causing line and I feel nobody else will want to buy it either. Also how will the farmers be compensated for the loss of milk production and their sick cattle. We all depend on farmers to survive somhow!!

Mitigation: Their is a better route than the preferred route. This route would run south of I94 from freeport to St.cloud and would follow a 400 kilo volt transmision line,also it is an existing corridor. Please take time to review these reports and make the right decision as many lives and livelyhoods depend on your choice. Thanks Lisa Schwalbe

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This information has also been entered into a centralized database for future analysis.

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