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Question or Comment

I oppose NECEC transmission line including the mitigation plans. While I respect the desire for clean energy, I believe the costs to wildlife are too high if this project is implemented. This important habitat, critical for so many species, would be forever altered. Fragmentation of forested habitat can have very negative impacts, and when the fragmentation is permanent like the regularly maintained NECEC corridor would be, it can displace entire populations species. The North Woods are the largest globally significant Important Bird Area in the continental U.S. This should be important to all of us. Not enough is being done to protect the impacts of wildlife so at this point I completely oppose the NECEC plans.