



New Jersey Highlands Coalition

Action Alert

We Need Your Help!

We need our Legislators to stand up against the Susquehanna-Roseland Transmission Line and protect our vulnerable public lands from destruction. We need you to please help us and urge Senator Lautenberg to call on Department of Interior Secretary Ken Salazar to pull this unnecessary transmission line out of the fast-track grid-modernization pilot project. Tell our New Jersey Senators that you do not support expansion of the S-R Transmission Line and that you do not want the project fast tracked!

You can write to Senator Lautenberg by going to his contact web page at <http://lautenberg.senate.gov/contact/index1.cfm>. Fill out your appropriate contact information in the web-form, choose "I Oppose" from the pull down menu, and where it asks you to "Please type the subject of your message:" write "Fast-tracking the Susquehanna-Roseland line."

Feel free to use the sample letter below, adding your own words and thoughts in your message to the Senator.

Sample Letter:

Dear Senator Lautenberg,

I am very disappointed that the unneeded Susquehanna-Roseland transmission line project has been selected by the Obama Administration for a new "Fast-track" pilot program. Energy demand in New Jersey is dropping, and this power line only continues our dependence on dirty coal, delaying our transition to a clean energy

economy while destroying our public lands. This line is not a renewable energy carrier - it will carry toxic coal-fired energy into our state from Pennsylvania. Instead of fast-tracking this line, we should be investing in local renewable energy generation, energy efficiency, and demand response - efforts that will create new, permanent jobs in a clean energy industry for New Jersey.

The Susquehanna-Roseland line will have major negative impacts on three National Park units: the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, the Middle Delaware National Scenic and Recreational River, and the Appalachian Trail. The National Park Service (NPS) staff must be afforded time to thoroughly review the impacts this dirty energy project will have on lands held in the public trust. This pilot program would fast-track NPS permitting to the detriment of the public process and our park units.

I urge you to write Department of Interior Secretary Ken Salazar and insist he withdraw the Susquehanna-Roseland line from the pilot program. This line is not for renewable energy and our NPS staff must be given the needed time to review its impacts. Fast-tracking the Susquehanna-Roseland project puts dirty coal ahead of the people of New Jersey. Please stand up for us and urge our federal regulators to remove the Susquehanna-Roseland line from the program.

*Thank you,
"Your Name"*

Thank you for helping us oppose the Susquehanna-Transmission Line!

The New Jersey Highlands Coalition represents a diverse network of organizations - small and large, local, regional, statewide and national - and individuals with the common goal to protect, enhance and restore the New Jersey Highlands and to preserve the quality and quantity of drinking water both for the 800,000 people in the Highlands as well as the more than 4.6 million people in surrounding areas who depend on Highlands water. For more information visit our [website](#), like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

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