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Submission Text

I am OPPOSED to the Tongue River Railroad because it will allow Arch Coal to

greatly, irreversibly exacerbate global warming, which is unconscionable at this

point in time, when we, and you, the NTSB, have full knowledge that coal burning is

the major contributor to excessive atmospheric CO₂, the cause of global warming.

The railroad will result in pollution of the Otter Creek Valley and total

destruction of this agricultural area, all for Arch Coal profits at the expense of

established Montana farmers and ranchers. This coal will be sent to our major

economic competitors in Asia, to the detriment of USA's economy as well as our

Montana environment, neither of which is worth sacrificing for Arch Coal's profits.

The NTSB should reject this proposal once and for all, and strive to protect this

planet from further warming and pollution, for the sake of us and future

generations.