



HONOR THE EARTH



To the The U.S Department of Transportation -- Surface Transportation Board,

Arch Coal wishes to put in a Tongue River Railroad for a new Otter Creek Coal mine in the Cheyenne Homeland. The mine and railroad are opposed by the Cheyenne people. There is no national interest served as required by the Surface Transportation Board for this coal strip mine and railroad. There is no clear market for this coal, and it is wrong to destroy a people's land.

We ask you to stand up and protect the Northern Cheyenne homelands. Please show your opposition to the Otter Creek mine by opposing the development of the Tongue River Railroad. The Otter Creek area has been historically used by Native American tribes including the Northern Cheyenne and Crow. The development will have numerous impacts to the land, wildlife, water, air, and ultimately destroy sacred sites. The coal from this one propose strip mine would release 2.5 billion tons of carbon dioxide -- one of the biggest new sources, which would worsen the effects of climate change.

Sincerely,

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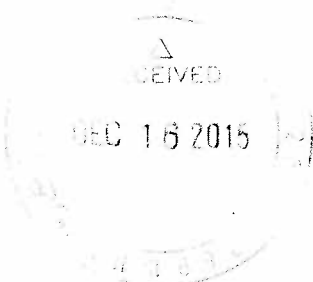
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Comments:

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