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DM&E Powder River Basin Expansion Project
Draft Environmental Impact Statement

COMMENT SHEET

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Please provide any comments on the DM&E Powder River Basin Expansion Project Draft EIS.

As we have designated rail corridors in place,
I don't understand why DM+E wants to build a new
line through virgin country.

The distance from the state line to the coal mines either way
is the same. So what is the advantage?

I don't believe there is one. DM+E is flexing their muscle.
They don't want to be told anyone what they can and cannot
do.

My family has ranched south of the Cheyenne River since
1917.

This country is not only beautiful, virgin land but 3
historic ranches dating from the 1840's will be split down
the middle with this rail line.

A wilderness area has been proposed south of the Cheyenne
River in the Cow Creek Buttes.

The USFS has spent years and a lot of money re-introducing
threatened and endangered species back into the Thunder
Basin Grasslands.

There is no good reason to allow DM+E or anyone to destroy

Additional comments: that area.

the Federal Government owns the thunder basin Grasslands. Why don't
they just say "no" to all developers?

the destruction to the animals and their habitat would be permanent
and forever. Gone.

No dollar amount can justify trashing that which is precious.

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