

As a landowner in Corwin Township of Stutsman County, I am hereby submitting my written testimony in opposition to House Bill 1258. My property is located within the proposed JETx energy corridor. I have attended and spoken at public forums where concerned citizens have vociferously and in large numbers been expressing disapproval of the project.

At these forums, the response from JETx representatives reeks of dismissive half-truths, omission of relevant details, and evasive discussion of their underlying ambitions. They are not interested in discussing alternative avenues of development that could preserve those things we landowners hold dear, such as reconductoring existing towers (see [Replacing Wires Could Double How Much Electricity The US Grid Can Handle - CleanTechnica](#)), burying cables, or maintaining a minimum of a half-mile distance from homes. They attempt to shame us for standing in the way of their version of progress –a progress which is primarily designed to put money in the pockets of industrial investors who see our land, the land we cherish, as an empty, undeveloped wasteland.

I want to believe that your dedication to serve your fellow North Dakotans signifies your shared reverence for the pure majesty of our sunrises and sunsets, auroras, and meteor showers unobstructed by hulking metal structures and undimmed by light pollution, the genuine warmth and interconnectedness of our expansive prairie neighborhoods, the enduring dedication to preservation of our bounteous homeland. Please do not allow the transformation of our precious homelands into an industrial park. Please vote no on HB 1258.

Thank you for your commitment to serve your people,

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