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1 potential corridors which should be considered  
2 in this process. And with that, we wish to  
3 thank the agencies once again for this  
4 opportunity to participate in the scoping

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5 process. Thank you.

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6 MS. SOUDER: I saw a hand go up. Thanks.

7 MR. THORTON: Thank you for the

8 opportunity. My name is Jim Thorton. I am  
9 with -- senior consultant with the consulting

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10 firm of College (sic) Environment. But I am  
11 here today to speak privately and as a former  
12 Washington State director of the Rails to  
13 Trails Conservancy. And I would urge you to  
14 look at abandoned railroad right-of-ways.

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15 There are ways that you can use those, if they  
16 haven't been divided up. But I think that  
17 there are corridors all over the western United  
18 States, and especially on federal lands, that  
19 you should look at as potential right-of-ways

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20 for pipelines and transmission lines. And  
21 that's all I have to say today, but I really  
22 appreciate the opportunity.

23 MS. SOUDER: Thank you very much. I

24 noticed there were a couple more people that

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25 came into the room. If you would like to come