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**Sent:** Monday, October 08, 2007 2:52 PM  
**To:** Eaton, Tish K - KEC-4

**Subject:** RE: Draft EIS Comments re: Libby (FEC) to Troy Rebuild...

Dear Ms. Eaton,

Thank you for correcting my misunderstanding. I am now advised that helicopter cable laying may occur in our neighborhood. Hopefully, due to the critical nature of such an operation, it will be included in the EIS along with low-level line inspections to put people issues in a better perspective.

When BPA uses helicopters to lay cables in neighborhoods, are residents and others in the area evacuated and are emergency units brought in for air and ground crew safety? How long could our area undergo daytime evacuation and road closure? Does the state of Montana approve of helicopter cable laying in neighborhoods and who would be the approving authority?

Thank you again for ensuring I understood this issue.

John D. Smith