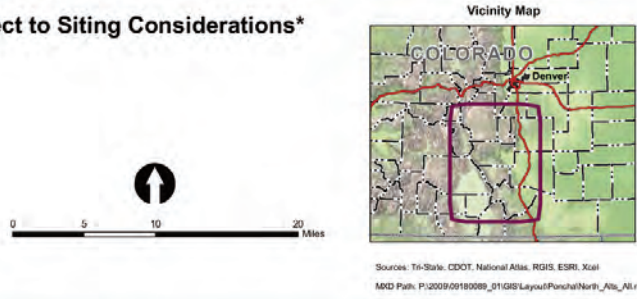




Note: All Mileages are Approximate and Subject to Siting Considerations

Project Features

- ⊗ Proposed Calumet Substation
- ➡ Proposed Northern Alternative Transmission Line
- ➡ Proposed Transmission in San Luis Valley-Calumet-Comanche Project, also required in Northern Alternatives presented by Trinchera Ranch
- ➡ Proposed San Luis Valley-Calumet Transmission Line
- Substation/Switching Station
- ▲ Mountain Peak
- City Boundary



Combined Look at Alternatives Presented

Utilities' Proposed Alternative

- Proposes one transmission project that meets the needs of two utilities
- Provides a redundant "loop" of transmission to relieve reliability concerns in Southern Colorado
- Protects service during a potential loss of an existing line due to a catastrophic event
- Supplies a conduit for renewable energy development in two of five identified renewable energy zones in the state
- Accomplishes the purpose and need of the project in the most cost-effective manner
- Double circuit design provides more robust alternative with higher capacity and reliability
- Connects to existing transmission infrastructure to meet the needs of Colorado consumers and northern New Mexico consumers

Trinchera Ranch's Proposed Alternative

- Redefines project purpose and need in order to keep the proposed line off Ranch property
- Does not provide a redundant "loop" of transmission infrastructure and does not protect against loss of service due to a catastrophic event
- Adds more miles of transmission without meeting the needs of both utilities
- Impacts hundreds of additional landowners across six counties and federal/forest lands
- Is not truly a cost-saving alternative, as their proposed single circuit 230 kilovolt (kV) radial line cannot be reasonably compared to the utilities proposed double circuit 230-kV loop
- Ignores additional costs to purchase a contract path to reach existing transmission and consumers
- Delays renewable energy jobs and economic development opportunities