

TEP is currently asking for a ROW renewal from the Navajo Nation.

BACKGROUND: In 1973, the Navajo Nation granted Tucson Electric Power (TEP) 102 miles of right-of-way easements for TEP's transmission line across Navajo lands from Farmington to Gallup, NM. This original right-of-way (ROW) agreement gave the Navajo Nation a one-time payment of \$34,948 for 50 years. Now, TEP is back requesting a ROW renewal from the Navajo Nation, which includes getting supporting chapter resolutions from all 14 chapters in the transmission line right-of-way. Only about half the chapters have asked for direct community benefits from TEP, while others did not, why? The amount of community benefits the chapters are requesting varies and is inconsistent. It is crucial the Navajo Nation seek adequate community benefits on behalf of communities and work towards a renewal that is mutually beneficial.

KEY POINTS:

- ⚡ TEP paid the Nation only \$34,948 to access Navajo lands as a one-time payment in 1973, equating to 17 cents per acre per year!
- ⚡ The closest comparison we could find is from 1980 data where the Bureau of Land Management required transmission line developers to pay \$4.49 dollars per acre per year for transmission line ROW in Navajo and Coconino counties.
- ⚡ TEP earned \$1.875 billion in revenue alone in 2023. We need to stop the one-sided deals!

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Council Delegates that represent chapters impacted by the TEP right-of-way (ROW) renewal

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| 1. Sheep Springs | 8. Naschitti |
| 2. Sanostee | 9. Tohatchi |
| 3. San Juan | 10. Mexican Springs |
| 4. Hogback | 11. Coyote Canyon |
| 5. Nenahnezaad | 12. Rock Springs |
| 6. Newcomb | 13. Red Rock |
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