

	Comments
	Utilities, Alternative Energy, Sand & Gravel, and Landfills
1	good as is.
2	<p>This policy appears to be backwards. If they don't want commercial power distribution, then they should be encouraging the use of onsite alternative energy systems. I suspect that inefficient fire places cause more ecological damage than nearly any alternative energy systems. Besides, having local sources of power is still required for survival in this area due to the unreliable power grid. Things like solar driven heat pumps are much cleaner than any kind of burning and should be encouraged everywhere, but especially in a more natural area.</p> <p>So why is this policy so backwards? It appears to be an attack on the only hydroelectric facility on the river but generalized to all alternative energy systems to make it appear less direct.</p>
3	I would like to see a very supportive role of the DNR/MDNR in allowing and helping private landowners to develop their lawful mineral rights. This is only the right and American thing to do, but also would help bridge the gap between dependence on foreign sources, and further development of our own alternative energies.
4	There should be no allowment of installing utilities or using any part of our forrests for landfills. There should also be no harvesting of sand or gravel of this protected land.
5	I believe all utilities should be underground. No to windmills and water driven powerplants. No to landfills.
6	There are many power outages
7	I have a concern regarding the frequent power outages. Is underground wiring an option?
8	I do not want to see gravel pits and/or landfills in this area.
9	2) The Pigeon River Country Association, at its annual meeting, voted almost unanimously in favor of denying easements across state land in the PRC that would be used for oil and gas development. The suggested language is: "Easements within the PRC should not be given to allow extraction and/or transport of minerals from private lands." This also means changing the third paragraph on p. 27 of the Utilities, Alternative energy, Sand & Gravel, and Landfills section.
10	<p>page 25 para 5 mention use of sand and gravel by Counties.</p> <p>page 25 para 6 "No through thorough fares are planned" Uhm-what did you mean to say? And if you grade a road it allows for more speed. So what point were you trying to make on the speed issue. Wasn't it referring to the width of the road or straightening? Why not get specific?</p> <p>page 26 para 1 use BMP reporting form from forest certification para 2 add signs to gates or other means. More signs are needed in the PRC. Nicely worded signs.</p> <p>page 26 last para what is your desired future condition after logging or landing use? wood piles, slash, oil spills, trash?</p>
11	Agree as outlined in the Draft.
12	I would hope we do not ever have to look at anymore of those big/ugly/ridiculous windmill blades in any of the state forests. The two near Mackinaw City look like crap.....