When I gathered signatures at the protest of the pipelines, I said I would use them to help us follow up and stay on the case. Edward H collated his and my addresses and typed them up for us all. Dick

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Dear Friend,

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Rise Up!
Let's Go Together and Stand Up With Our Protectors of Our Earth!

The Diamond Oil Pipeline is going to be constructed through our beautiful Natural State of Arkansas and through our rivers!

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And also: The Ozark community will be organizing a Huge fundraising special concert with a lot of bands, food and art to raise money for our Protectors of our Earth against the oil pipelines, both in Standing Rock and right here in Arkansas against the Diamond Pipeline; all money raised will be for our Protectors of the Earth.

The new scheduled date for this event is Saturday, October 29th. We
have a beautiful two acre private land in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and we plan to have a stage with sound systems.
Would you like to be a part of organizing this?
Do you know of any local bands who would like to be a part of this event?
Will you Please help spread the news about this event.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like to help in any way.

**Fossil Fuels** Killing the Planet

Michael Klare

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Using up our planet

Every automobile dealer in the world wants to sell as many gasoline- powered vehicles as he can. Every big truck manufacturer in the world wants to sell as many diesel-powered trucks as he can. Every aircraft maker wants to sell as many jet fuel-powered planes as he can. The same is true for diesel-powered trains, ships and heavy equipment. Can you imagine how many millions of internal-combustion engines are started and run every 24 hours? In addition, we continue to operate power plants on fossil fuels and build new ones to do the same. We want to build cross-country pipelines to carry oil-saturated sands to refineries to make more fossil fuels. We are suspicious of wind farms, solar and nuclear-generated electricity. There are more humans on this earth than there ever have been. We would like to ignore the fact that we are using up the only planet we know how to live on. Heat, drought, high winds, wildfires, tornadoes, hurricanes, warm oceans, melting glaciers, heavy rains, flooding, sub-freezing temperatures, heavy snowfalls, lightning, hail, earthquakes. It doesn’t pay to mess with Mother Nature.

JACK C. McFARLIN
Little Rock

**Dakota Access Pipeline and Carbon**: According to Winona LaDuke, Executive Director of Honor the Earth, and former VP candidate for the Green Party, states that the proposed Dakota Access pipeline will bring 250,000 tons per day of carbon into the environment. Former editor of Scientific American Trudy Bell says there is a 57% chance of catastrophic leak with this proposed pipeline.

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**RESISTANCE TO Dakota Access Pipeline**

The Standing Rock Sioux and Supporters vs. Dakota Access Pipeline

Protests: 5 Fast Facts You Need to Know

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Native American protesters are confronted by a security team with dogs as they
protest the Dakota Access oil pipeline near Cannonball, North Dakota, on September 3. (Getty)

Months-long protests against a multi-billion-dollar oil pipeline have boiled over into tense clashes as snarling dogs were used against protesters and the tribe claims burial grounds were bulldozed.

The North Dakota protest site at the reservation of the Standing Rock Sioux has grown into “the largest gathering of Native Americans in more than 100 years,” reports the BBC. The protesters, who have gathered together from multiple tribes, as well as those supporting the cause, say they are taking a stand for future generations against the four-state Dakota Access Pipeline Project.

On September 6, tensions heightened further as authorities said they “plan to pursue charges” of trespassing and vandalism against the Green Party’s nominee for president Jill Stein “for spray-painting construction equipment at a Dakota Access Pipeline protest,” according to ABC News, which quoted a Stein spokeswoman as saying Stein wrote “I approve this message” in red on a bulldozer blade. You can watch video of Stein spray painting here. Stein, in turn, shared a quote from Sitting Bull and questioned why others weren’t possibly facing charges.

There were reports of injuries on both sides — of people and dogs — as protesters and security clashed violently on September 3. The tribal chairman contended that burial grounds were destroyed and desecrated by bulldozers.

“In one day, our sacred land has been turned into hollow ground,” the tribal chairman said, according to The Chicago Tribune.

Vivid photos showed protesters being treated for injuries as menacing-looking dogs were brought to the scene. The tribal spokesman said multiple protesters were pepper-sprayed and bitten, including a child. The company’s spokeswoman told Heavy that “unwarranted violence occurred on private property under easement to Dakota Access Pipeline, resulting in injury to multiple members of our security personnel and several dogs” on September 3.

The Standing Rock Sioux tribe is worried that the pipeline will negatively impact water quality on its reservation and imperil cultural heritage sites, reports The Dallas Morning News.

The Sioux City Journal reports the Standing Rock tribe “is fighting the installation of the pipeline on their reservation bordering North and South Dakota.” Meanwhile, proponents of the project say it will boost the economy, creating thousands of construction jobs.
The day after the incident with the dogs, the protesters continued their efforts to stop the pipeline, marching to the site where they say bulldozers disturbed a sacred burial ground.

**Native Americans march to a burial ground sacred site that was disturbed by bulldozers building the Dakota Access Pipeline, on September 4 near Cannon Ball, North Dakota. (Getty)**

“As demonstrators came to stop the tractors, they had encountered private security armed with pepper spray, attack dogs, and zip ties. Warriors on the front line were attacked for protecting the land and water,” wrote one man on Facebook. “Pregnant women were maced, young children and horses were attacked by dogs … the water provides life for the animals, the crops, the land, and millions of people.”

According to Energy Transfer Partners, the company whose subsidiary is developing the project, the 1,172-mile pipeline “will connect the rapidly expanding Bakken and Three Forks production areas in North Dakota to Patoka, Illinois,” transporting some 470,000 barrels a day. “The pipeline will enable domestically produced light sweet crude oil from North Dakota to reach major refining markets in a more direct, cost-effective, safer and environmentally responsible manner.”

Here’s what you need to know:

1. **Protesters Cried Out on Social Media Amid Reports of Attack Dogs, Pepper Spray & Injuries**

Social media filled with dramatic photos, videos and eyewitness accounts of dogs being used against protesters on September 3, including reports of injuries and pepper spray being allegedly directed at protesters.

The Wall Street Journal reports the protests against the $3.8 billion pipeline have united “groups of Native Americans, landowners and environmentalists.”

Activist Winona LaDuke wrote on EcoWatch that the pipeline struggle represents “the future of a people. All of us. If I ask the question ‘What would Sitting Bull do?’ — the answer is pretty clear. He would remind me what he said 150 years ago: ‘Let us put our minds together to see what kind of future we can make for our children.’”

The clashes have grown in intensity.

A protester is treated after being pepper sprayed by private security contractors on land being graded for the Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) oil pipeline, near Cannon Ball, North Dakota, September 3, 2016. The tribe says that multiple people were pepper sprayed and bitten by dogs. The energy company says private security and dogs were
injured. (Getty)

According to the Daily Mail, quoting the Associated Press, the Morton County Sheriff’s Office spokeswoman Donnell Preskey said “four private security guards and two guard dogs were injured,” and the tribal spokesman said six protesters were bitten by dogs, including a child, and 30 people were pepper-sprayed.

Heavy reached out to Energy Transfer’s spokeswoman, Vicki Granado, and asked whether it was true that private security hired by the company used dogs and mace against protesters, and, if so, why, and how many were injured. Granado provided this statement on September 3:

What has been represented over the past several weeks as a peaceful protest is simply not the case. We are greatly saddened and extremely bothered to confirm that today, unwarranted violence occurred on private property under easement to Dakota Access Pipeline, resulting in injury to multiple members of our security personnel and several dogs. It is unfortunate that what has been portrayed as a peaceful protest by the opponents of the pipeline has now turned to violence and intimidation by a group of criminals and activists. Assailants broke through a fence and attacked our workers. We are working with law enforcement to ensure that all offenders are arrested and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. We will not tolerate the assault and/or injury to our employees or contractors. The safety of all those associated with our project and those living in the area is our top priority. We are hopeful that state and federal law enforcement and the tribal leaders will do their part to maintain order and to ensure a peaceful protest.

People also posted videos of the scene on Facebook:

Videos were also posted on YouTube:

“The Morton County Sheriff’s Department says that their law enforcement officers did not use pepper spray or tear gas and did not have dogs,” said KFYR-TV. The Associated Press quoted the sheriff as saying, “individuals crossed onto private property and accosted private security officers with wooden posts and flag poles.”

Private security used dogs at the protest on September 3. Both sides claimed injury. The Native American tribe says the protests could endanger water quality. (Getty)

It’s not the first intense clash at the site of the protest. On August 31, the Sheriff’s Department said eight protesters were arrested after protesters chained themselves to construction equipment.
2. The Native American Protesters Said They Are Prepared for a ‘Long Battle’ & Have Taken Their Case to Court

The Energy Transfer company says on its website that the company “is developing a new pipeline to provide crude oil transportation service from point(s) of origin in the Bakken/Three Forks play in North Dakota to Patoka, Illinois.” The site contains additional details about the pipeline, including safety.

The tribe has made its stand in federal court as well as at the construction site. The Wall Street Journal says the tribe has sued in federal court seeking to stop construction of the pipeline with a decision expected in early September. “The tribe has argued that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers improperly granted permits for the project,” says the newspaper.

You can read the lawsuit here.

The tribe filed an emergency motion on September 4 for a temporary restraining order “to prevent further destruction of the tribe’s sacred sites by Dakota Access Pipeline,” said KCCI, quoting the tribal chairman as saying, “On Saturday, Dakota Access Pipeline and Energy Transfer Partners brazenly used bulldozers to destroy our burial sites, prayer sites and culturally significant artifacts. They did this on a holiday weekend, one day after we filed court papers identifying these sacred sites.”

In a September 5 filing posted by Indianz.com, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers wrote that it does not oppose the Standing Rock Sioux tribe’s motion for a temporary restraining order as to any additional construction work on the pipeline within 20 miles on either side of Lake Oahe in North Dakota until the court rules on the suit. The Corps wrote that the “public interest would be served by preserving peace near Lake Oahe until the court can render” its decision.

On September 6, U.S. District Judge James Boasberg said “work will temporarily stop between North Dakota’s State Highway 1806 and 20 miles east of Lake Oahe, but will continue west of the highway because he believes the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers lacks jurisdiction on private land,” ABC News said, adding that the judge expects to rule on the lawsuit by September 9. Also, in court, the tribe said the partial ruling could imperil sacred
sites, and alleged that bulldozed areas had human remains; the sheriff said some protesters possessed knives and hatchets, according to ABC.

The Standing Rock tribe lists many other Indian nations as well as other organizations and communities that have joined its cause. Read the list here.

The Bismarck Tribune says the company temporarily halted construction while the suit is pending.

North Dakota Lt. Gov. Drew Wrigley has called the protests “unlawful” and an increasingly dangerous situation as the camps grew to as many as 4,000 people.

**VIDEO: Jill Stein Facing Possible Charges in Dakota Access Pipeline Protest Spray Painting**

Green Party presidential nominee Jill Stein may face vandalism charges for spray painting at the Dakota Access Pipeline Protests, ABC News says. Watch video. Click here to read more

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### 3. A Texas Billionaire Is Behind the Pipeline Project

Protesters hold a rally with the Standing Rock Sioux tribe in support of a lawsuit against the Army Corps of Engineers and plans for the Dakota Access Pipeline outside the US District Court in Washington, DC, August 24, 2016. (Getty)

Energy Transfer is owned by Kelcy Warren, a Texas entrepreneur worth $4 billion, according to Forbes Magazine.

In 2015, Bloomberg wrote in an extensive profile of Warren, “pipeline billionaire Kelcy Warren is having fun in the oil bust.” The profile said Warren lives in a 23,000-square-foot home complete with “chip-and-putt green, a pole-vault pit, a four-lane bowling alley, and a 200-seat theater where the billionaire’s musician pals play private concerts.” Protests have also occurred outside the company’s Dallas building, reports The Dallas Morning News.

Native American protesters are living in camps on the Standing Rock reservation while they protest the pipeline’s construction, says BBC. A community has arisen as the tribe is joined by representatives of other Indian nations, environmentalists, and others who support the tribe’s cause.

The tribe has created a donation fund. You can access it here.

A petition against the pipeline on Change.org has more than 250,000 supporters.
Some believe the media are not giving enough coverage to the protests, which they see as a troubling repeat of the past, with protest movements and the Native American cause in general marginalized or stigmatized by the news media.

However, social media has allowed the Indian voices to be heard more widely than they would have been in, say, the 1960s.

Filming Cops, which describes itself as a movement for police accountability, wrote on Facebook, “MEDIA BLACKOUT: There are now HUNDREDS of tribes and THOUSANDS of Native American protesters and others TAKING A STAND against the Dakota Access pipeline! Help SPREAD THE WORD cause the #MainstreamMedia is REFUSING to cover this!”

The Standing Rock tribe, on its website, says, “The Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) is a 1,168-mile long crude oil pipeline that will transport nearly 570,000 barrels of oil each day from North Dakota to Illinois. The Army Corps of Engineers green-lighted several sections of the process without fully satisfying the National Historic Preservation Act, various environmental statutes, and its trust responsibility to the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.”

However, the Sheriff’s Department has continued to insist that protesters are out of line. According to NPR, the Sheriff’s Department said of the September 3 protest, “Once protesters arrived at the construction area, they broke down a wire fence by stepping and jumping on it. According to numerous witnesses within five minutes the crowd of protesters, estimated to be a few hundred people became violent. They stampeded into the construction area with horses, dogs and vehicles.”

KCCI says the Sheriff’s Department also contends some private security members said knives were pulled on them.

4. Hollywood Celebrities Such as Susan Sarandon Have Joined the Protests, & Leo DiCaprio & Stein Also Showed Support

Actress Susan Sarandon speaks during a rally and protest by the Standing Rock Sioux tribe in support of a lawsuit against the Army Corps of Engineers and plans for the Dakota Access Pipeline outside the US District Court in Washington, D.C., August 24, 2016. (Getty)

Before the news that Stein could possibly face charges for spray painting a bulldozer blade, the presidential candidate tweeted her support for the protesters. Stein wrote on her campaign website that she believes the pipeline “would violate U.S. treaties by endangering the drinking water and sacred sites of the Standing Rock Sioux tribe.” Around the same time
the news broke on potential charges, she tweeted a quote from Sitting Bull:

Energy Transfer Partners declined comment on the Stein matter.

CNN says the pipeline’s proponents “tout its economic boost,” including millions of dollars in income and sales taxes and creation of thousands of jobs.

The project developer, Dakota Access, a subsidiary of Energy Transfer Crude Oil, says the pipeline would help the United States become less dependent on foreign oil, and they claim the crude oil is moved in an environmentally responsible manner, says CNN.

Dakota Access pipeline route. (Energy Transfer)

Energy Transfer says on its website, “We need to close the gap between what we produce as a country and what we consume before we can be truly independent of foreign imports. While the U.S. produced 7.5 million barrels of crude oil per day in 2013, it still imported 7.7 million barrels per day in order to meet consumer demands.”

The company also says the project will create 8,000 to 12,000 local jobs during construction and adds that the pipeline “will translate into millions in state and local revenues during the construction phase and an estimated $129 million annually in property and income taxes.”

State utilities boards and commissions have granted approvals for the project, and the company has sought voluntary easement agreements from property owners, according to a press release on the company’s website.

You can read company fact sheets on each state affected here.

Others raise concern, among other things, about the possibility of leaks. The New York Times says the pipeline would carry 470,000 barrels of oil a day to Illinois.

KCCI says 30 environmental groups, including the Sierra Club and Greenpeace, “have slammed the pipeline project, calling it ‘yet another example of an oil pipeline project being permitted without public engagement or sufficient environmental review.’”

The tribe wrote in its lawsuit that it is concerned “with impacts to the habitat of wildlife species such as piping plovers, least tern, Dakota skipper, and pallid sturgeon, among others. The Tribe has a particular concern for bald eagles, which remain federally protected and play a significant role in the Tribe’s culture, and which would be adversely affected by the proposed pipeline. The Tribe is greatly concerned with the possibility of oil spills and leaks from the pipeline should it be constructed and operated, particularly into waters that are of considerable economic, religious, and cultural importance to the Tribe.”
Hollywood celebrities have joined the protests, including the actress Susan Sarandon. The New York Times says the protests have centered in the town of Cannon Ball, which is located in south central North Dakota.

Leonardo DiCaprio wrote on Facebook: “Stand with the Standing Rock Sioux in their opposition of the Dakota Access Pipeline which threatens our climate.”

The New York Times says 20 people were arrested as of August 26 as heated confrontations also occurred as protesters focus on a site where preparatory work is being done; in addition, the Times says that the company has sued some protesters, alleging they are threatening and intimidating contractors.

5. The Standing Rock Tribe Is Concerned About the Impact on Water Quality for Millions [more on water: see at end]

According to the Bismarck Tribune, the tribe, located in North Dakota, fears the project “will disturb sacred sites and impact drinking water for thousands of tribal members on the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation and millions further downstream.”

“Our cause is just,” the newspaper quoted the tribe’s chairman, Dave Archambault II, as saying, adding that the tribe was staging the fight on behalf of future generations.

On EcoWatch, Winona LaDuke wrote a passionate column opposing the pipeline. It started, “My destination is the homeland of the Hunkpapa Oceti, Standing Rock Reservation…If you close your eyes, you can remember the 50 million buffalo—the single largest migratory herd in the world. The pounding of their hooves would vibrate the Earth, make the grass grow.”

She said the struggle is a continuation of a historical one. “There were once 250 species of grass,” she wrote. “Today the buffalo are gone… Many of the fields are now in a single GMO crop, full of so many pesticides that the monarch butterflies are dying off. But in my memory, the old world remains.”

In a press release, Archambault said, “This demolition is devastating. These grounds are the resting places of our ancestors. The ancient cairns and stone prayer rings there cannot be replaced.” He said that “construction crews removed topsoil across an area about 150 feet wide stretching for two miles, northwest of the confluence of the Cannon Ball and Missouri Rivers.”

“I surveyed this land and we confirmed multiple graves and specific prayer sites,” said Tim Mentz, the Standing Rock Sioux’s former tribal historic preservation officer, in the tribal press release. “Portions, and possibly complete sites, have been taken out entirely.”
The local sheriff said construction of the pipeline was temporarily halted “for safety reasons,” said NPR.

According to the Standing Rock Sioux tribe, the tribe’s reservation is located in both North and South Dakota, and the people of Standing Rock are “members of the Dakota and Lakota nations,” terms that mean “friends” or “allies.”

“The people of these nations are often called ‘Sioux,’” a term that dates back to the seventeenth century “when the people were living in the Great Lakes area,” says the tribe.

According to the tribe’s website, “The Standing Rock Sioux Tribal members are descendants of the Teton and Yankton Bands of the Lakota/Dakota Nations. The Reservation is thirty-four miles south of Mandan, North Dakota. The Cannon Ball River runs along the north side of the reservation and Ceder Creek in the northwest side.” The tribe says cattle ranching and farming are the biggest economic drivers on the reservation.

The lawsuit says the reservation established in the 1851 Treaty of Fort Laramie “included extensive lands that would be crossed by the proposed pipeline. The Tribe has a strong historical and cultural connection to such land. Despite the promises made in the two Fort Laramie treaties, in 1877 and again in 1889, Congress betrayed the treaty parties by passing statutes that took major portions of this land away from the Sioux.”

The lawsuit continues, “In addition to specific archaeological sites that have been identified to date, there are numerous significant culturally important sites that have not been identified. The lands within the pipeline route are culturally and spiritually significant.”

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POPE FRANCIS SUPPORTS THE PROTEST, REPORT FROM CASA CRY CATHOLIC WORKER IN MILWAUKEE

OCTOBER, 2016
Pope Francis has said, “Climate change is a problem that can no longer be left to our future generations. I would say to you now or never. Every year the problems are getting worse. We are at the limits. If I may use a strong word I would say that we are at the limits of suicide.”

No one knows this better than the Lakota members of the Standing Rock Reservation who are nonviolently resisting the $3.8 billion dollar Dakota Access Oil Pipeline. If completed, the pipeline will greatly contribute to climate change and will pump 450,000 barrels of fracked crude oil per day directly upstream of Standing Rock’s water source. This pipeline is being built in violation of treaties and without an environmental impact statement.

In response to the Dakota people’s nonviolent direct actions, private security guards have been allowed to brutalize, without warning, anyone resisting the pipeline. Members of the Lakota tribe have been beaten, maced, thrown to the ground, and attacked with dogs. Pregnant women and children trying to protect their lands have been sent to the hospital after dog bites. Meanwhile Homeland Security has removed medical trailers and water tanks. Local police, the National Guard, and the FBI have allowed this brutality to continue, even to the point of illegally putting up road blocks to stop anyone from entering the camp. Civil liberties have been thrown out the window, all in the interest of getting cheaper oil.

So far, we’ve experienced about 1 degree Celsius of warming globally, and the impacts are frightening. Species are dying. Glaciers are melting. Clean water is harder to find. Some places are facing severe droughts while others have massive flooding. The number of climate-related refugees is increasing. Melting of the artic is releasing methane at a dangerous rate and this is magnifying climate change. Soon we will have many more wars fought over dwindling resources. All of the world’s problems will magnify as climate change gets worse. The poor will, of course, suffer the most. But we can slow the effects if we act now.

Recently several environmental organizations released documents showing that the Exxon Mobil corporation knew about climate change half a century ago. In response, Congress decided to investigate the environmental groups, not ExxonMobil. We cannot rely on our government to slow climate change. We need to follow the example of the Standing Rock Reservation and do it ourselves.

“Safeguard Creation,” Pope Francis has told us. “Because if we destroy Creation, Creation will destroy us! Never forget this!” Please join people in your area who are taking action against climate change. If you need help finding local groups, you can go to 350.org or contact us and we will connect you with others. –Mikel
As Dakota Access Pipeline Fight Grows, Where Are Obama and Clinton?

Green Party presidential candidate Jill Stein may face charges for spray-painting construction equipment at a DAPL site on Tuesday by Deirdre Fulton, staff writer


"We know that to defeat a pipeline, it takes a movement of people from all corners of the nation," 350.org wrote in its call to action. (Photo: Joe Brusky/flickr/cc)

As one presidential candidate faces charges for spray-painting construction equipment at a Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL) protest on Tuesday, many are calling for President Barack Obama and White House hopeful Hillary Clinton to make clear their own opposition to the controversial project.

"President Obama could step in any time and say 'no' to this whole thing—like he did for Keystone XL."

—350.org

Morton County Sheriff Kyle Kirchmeier said Tuesday that Green Party nominee Jill Stein would be charged for her participation in an action that saw about 150-200 people protest at a DAPL worksite in North Dakota.

Watch below as Stein tags a bulldozer with the words, "I approve this message":

But whereas Stein has been clear in her opposition to DAPL (as has former presidential candidate Bernie Sanders), Obama and Clinton have been absent—even as resistance has grown to include Indigenous people from across the U.S. and activists face increasingly severe crackdowns.

Three weeks ago, journalist and Oglala Lakota Nation citizen Simon Moya-Smith called on Clinton to weigh in, writing:

[BJack in February, the Clinton camp posted to its website the candidate's policy platform for Native Americans. In it, Clinton declares that she "will continue to stand for Tribal sovereignty and in support of Tribal resources and sacred sites."

Earlier this year, Clinton stumped in Indian country, vying for votes. But if she truly supports Native American sovereignty, and if she is sincere about honoring the treaties and protecting sacred sites, then she will take a stand against this ominous pipeline as well as the brazen violation of our treaty rights.

As for Obama, Moya-Smith wrote at the time,
two years ago, the President and first lady Michelle Obama visited the very same reservation being threatened by the pipeline today. They laughed and played with the children there at Standing Rock. They listened to the kids as they sang in ancient languages once outlawed by Christian invaders (popularly known as "settlers.") Will the Obamas now be silent at a time when those same children they so affectionately embraced need them most?

But on Tuesday, he noted that there has still been no word from Clinton or Obama.

(In the interim, an investigation revealed the more than two dozen major banks and financial institutions that are bankrolling the project—many of them Clinton and Obama donors.)

Meanwhile, climate group 350.org is circulating a petition urging Obama to "direct the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to revoke the permits under 'Nationwide Permit 12' and stop the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline once and for all."

Indeed, the organization said in an email to supporters, "President Obama could step in any time and say 'no' to this whole thing—like he did for Keystone XL."

"We know that to defeat a pipeline, it takes a movement of people from all corners of the nation," 350 wrote in its call to action. "This is Keystone all over again. And like Keystone, we can stop this pipeline through massive public pressure on the Obama administration to protect the land, water, and climate."

This echoes an open letter (pdf) sent last week from 350 and other environmental groups to Obama, which described DAPL as "yet another example of an oil pipeline project being permitted without adequate public engagement or sufficient environmental review" and called for the president to intervene.

Meanwhile, similar demands rang out on social media:

Indeed, as environmentalist and 350.org co-founder Bill McKibben wrote in a piece published Tuesday in the New Yorker, the silence from politicians is deafening.

"Young people on the [Standing Rock Sioux] reservation organized a run across the country this summer to deliver more than a hundred thousand petition signatures to the President asking him to stop the pipeline," McKibben wrote. "They weren't received at the White House—disappointing, since Obama had actually visited the reservation in 2014. 'My Administration is determined to partner with tribes,' he told them then, but so far he's made no public statement on the Dakota Access pipeline."

"All of which is sad," McKibben continued, "because this case offers the U.S. government the chance to make at least small amends for some of the darkest parts of its official history—to demonstrate that it has absorbed at least a few small lessons from that past."
Debra Hale-Shelton. “Spill Fine, Mandates Fought by Exxon.” NADG (9-5-16, 1A).

To reach the truth in controversies, a simple rule is to discover the facts as fully as possible (what, where, when, why), and then to search for the meaning-bearing contexts. This report seems to provide both in what then amounts to an expose of Exxon’s and the oil industry’s harms regarding their pipelines. (“the oil giant is challenging the agency’s authority to order certain safety measures and to levy much of the $2.6 million fine the company paid earlier this year. . . .” Exxon “earned $1.7 billion the second quarter” of 2016.) Thus its information enables us to recognize the importance of affirmative government for the people protecting the public from the rapacity of self-regarding companies.

And thank the Congress and those representatives who passed the safety regulations enabling the Transportation Dept. to now prosecute Exxon. Finally, praise the NADG editor who placed the report on A1.

Gretchen Goldman

As Congress Calls Out Fossil Fuel Deception, ExxonMobil Continues to Fund Climate Science Denial. Common Dreams (July 14, 2016).

WATER (#5 of FACTS above)

Several of you told me you were demonstrating against the pollution of our water by oil spills. The United Nations struggles to coordinate efforts to restrain all of the causes of water shortage and contamination: the economic system, drought, industrial farming, and population growth. And contamination by radioactivity.

UN for Clean, Fresh Water

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The world has met the MDG drinking water target five years ahead of ... the sustainable development of fragile and finite freshwater resources, which are under ...

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In 2015 UNCCD published *Land Matters for Climate: Reducing the Gap and Approaching the Target*

**Water Scarcity: Implications of Growth, Population Growth and Water**

growingblue.com/implications-of-growth/

Because of population growth and economic development, water resources in many parts of the world are pushed to their natural limits. In turn, the ability of cities and countries to grow, attract investment, meet the fundamental needs of populations and ensure environmental...

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demand for water mounts and pressure on finite water resources intensifies. ... that the population will continue growing, and this will impact water availability.


https://www.newsecuritybeat.org/.../water-and-population-limits-to-growt...

Feb 3, 2012 - Water – essential, finite, and increasingly scarce – has been dubbed “the new oil.” Experts debate whether human societies are approaching...

**Agriculture**

Here’s a paragraph from a 2012 UN Food and Agriculture Organization study, “Coping with Water Scarcity”

http://www.fao.org/docrep/016/i3015e/i3015e.pdf :

“Of all economic sectors, agriculture is the sector where water scarcity has the greatest
relevance. Currently, agriculture accounts for 70 percent of global freshwater withdrawals, and more than 90 percent of its consumptive use. Under the joint pressure of population growth and changes in dietary habits, food consumption is increasing in most regions of the world.”

Also, see the critiques of EPA drinking water standards and radioactivity in Nukewatch (Summer 2016 and Fall 2016). The Fall report is by Diane D’Arrigo, Director of the Radioactive Waste Project at Nuclear Information & Resource Service (NIRS).

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