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As one of the owners of land on the route of the pipeline (it will go completely through a quarter of our land) I want to ask where is the protection of productive farm land, especially our precious water resources, and property values? Why doesn't the State of South Dakota have laws in place to protect these invaluable resources?

Understanding that there is nothing to stop Dakota Access from doing whatever they choose with easements they obtain to include adding more pipelines and/or abandoning pipelines in place and then on top of that to know that this most volatile, toxic substance could leak out and there is nothing in place that requires or supports reclamation makes this an untenable prospect.

What gives Dakota Access the right to go forward with condemnation proceedings when the PUC has not yet made their decision as to whether they will grant them a permit to allow the pipeline?

From all that I've read it seems Dakota Access will be making a lot of money and we get a one-time payment with restrictions on what can be done with the easement property from then on. Dakota Access can put the pipeline in place – make their money and abandon it and we are expected to be satisfied with the mere one-time payment. This oil eventually goes to refineries in Texas where . . .

Individual PUC members:

If this was your property how would you react to having this run through your property that your parents worked very, very hard to obtain and preserve for future generations? If you were in the market to buy farmland, would you want to buy land that had the pipeline running through it?

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