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Subject: Keep pipelines and oil out of South Dakota

Hello,

I have more concerns about proposed pipelines in South Dakota. The first being the recent issue of Transcanada not being liable for spills in South Dakota. Gov Daugaard is looking for ways to fund road and highway projects, if we are looking for funds for projects why would we want to raise funds to clean up a mess we are not responsible for? That isn't how we do business in South Dakota.

<http://mix97-3.com/pipeline-bursts-in-south-dakota-you-pay-clean-up-not-transcanada/>

Another of my recent concerns is also about the Keystone Pipeline. Recently an amendment to build the pipeline using American made steel has been blocked. If we are serious about creating jobs, this surely isn't going to help. The pipeline itself will only create 35 permanent jobs, and the construction jobs wouldn't even be using American steel, supporting the steel industry. That is wrong.

<http://www.forwardprogressives.com/senate-republicans-block-amendment-requiring-steel-keystone-xl-pipeline-made-america/>

My final recent complaint with the Keystone Pipeline is that we will be exporting all of the benefits of building it. So the state of South Dakota will not get any benefit from the oil traveling through the state, the project

would not use any American steel to put Americans back to work and we are responsible for the clean up when a leak occurs. How is this fair to the state and your fellow South Dakotans?

<http://news.yahoo.com/senate-rejects-effort-ban-keystone-xl-pipeline-exports-213417728.html>

I have concerns with other projects, such as the Dakota Access Pipeline. You may have heard about a recent pipeline burst in North Dakota that leaked 3 million gallons of salty, toxic brine. You can learn more here.

<http://thinkprogress.org/climate/2015/01/22/3614226/north-dakota-brine-spill/>

The article raises the issue with this spill, but also talks of a spill in 2006 a quarter of the size and how that area has not recovered from the 4600% increase in chloride concentrate that was leaked. One way to clean these areas is using fresh water which isn't a smart solution. These dead zones will kill plants and animals, no doubt affecting our agriculture and hunting/tourism.

If these pipelines are constructed, I would seriously consider leaving South Dakota a state I have lived in for almost 20 years. In an economy where someone can work over the internet, there is no reason to stay in a state that has dead zones and doesn't value the environment and its fellow South Dakotans.