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Devona B. Smith, along with my two sisters Delores Assid and Margaret Hilt are the landowners in Lincoln County, South Dakota, affected by the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline.

The land was homesteaded by my grandfather, Henry Andreessen in 1983. The land was passed down to my parents Martin and Elsie Andreessen where we grew up. When my parents died, the land was passed down to the three of us who rent the land to a farmer who grows corn and soybeans. My two nieces and two nephews will inherit the land when I and my two sisters pass way. The project will ruin the land for future generations.

The Dakota Access Pipeline wants eminent domain power to put a pipeline through South Dakota which would cross 160 acres of our inherited land. It would split the quarter section near Sioux Falls, Tea and Lennox in half. It would run close to the farm buildings and water to the house. Nearby cities and towns are growing at a rapid pace.

If the Dakota Access Pipeline incurs a leak are we covered by liability insurance? I have seen notices where Dakota Access Pipeline won't divulge their insurance coverage. Does South Dakota know how to handle a leak? We would remain with damaged land, a great liability and the anticipation of polluted water systems.

My understanding is that most of the labor to install the pipeline would come from out of state. What does South Dakota get out of the project? False and inflated promises of tax income.

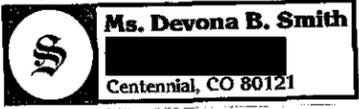
Do not let this go through. Please stop the pipeline from destroying our land. Let's take action and make this state great again. You have the power to do that. Please do not let us down.

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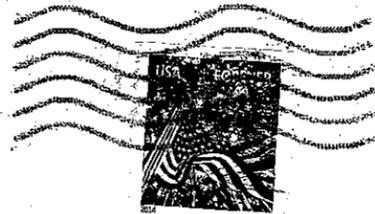
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