

Subject: [EXT] Text from Craig Weber, Arlington

Chris: I was disappointed to learn of the Navigator pipeline denial. I certainly hope that they are able to make necessary adjustments and gain approval. I can not stress enough the importance of these pipelines to the state and agriculture in particular.

The proposed GEVO Net 0 jet fuel plant I'm sure is contingent on being on a CO2 pipeline or it will not be built in South Dakota as that will be vital in hitting their carbon score. Also the long term profitability of ethanol plants is going to very much be tied to CO2 sequestration. Not only will not being tied to one mean lower returns and poorer corn basis for these plants but also when ethanol has a downturn in profitability these plants that are not tied to a pipeline will be the first to shutter. I certainly hope Summit Carbon Solutions is more successful in checking the boxes needed for approval. I have told many that I wish the pipeline was going on my property and the more distance the better as it is quite lucrative to land owners. Big payments and ability to farm right over it. This is infrastructure that will be much needed to the state for current and future economic development.

I know there is a noisy minority of opposition with much nonsense. I know you will continue to perform your job with the highest standards and integrity. Wishing you all the best.

Have a great weekend.

Craig



Sent from my Verizon Motorola Smartphone