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**Subject:** [EXT] CO2 Pipeline Comment

I'm writing to comment on the CO2 pipeline that is proposed by Summit Carbon Solutions.

I wanted to comment on the pipeline as I was at the public meeting in Aberdeen on January 17 and I saw that majority of the anti-pipeline comments were we're disproportionately represented and not as much the other side of the argument. The proposed pipeline is currently looking to go through our land which we don't have an issue with. We're not to the negotiation phase yet so I don't have any comments regarding that, though that doesn't concern your department as much.

To address some of the concerns that we're brought up, and relevant comments regarding the pipeline are as follows.

Depth of pipe not being deep enough for the winter freeze. The CO2 that's being put in the pipe I believe will have the water removed from it before being transported. Since the freezing point of CO2 is -107.3 degrees Fahrenheit I have no issues with that. I may have concerns about frost heave but since oil pipeline is around that same depth, in this same area I'll trust the engineering on that one.

Eminent domain for a for-profit private company. That's a tough one as I support the project, but have a tough time reconciling with this aspect. Take care with your decision on this one as this is a tough balancing act. I do agree with Walt Bones that if the majority of the land owners want this project, the project shouldn't be killed because of a minority of disgruntled landowners.

I support the project and I do want companies like the Geovo fuel plant to come to South Dakota. I'm not sure if it will increase the price of corn on the futures side of the market, but it will help and increase the local demand. With companies like that making investments in our state that will only mean more tax revenue, and investments in our communities.

I do think Summit needs to spend more time educating the public about the process, and safety to alleviate any concerns.

As a farmer and businessman I support anything that will increase the demand for our products, as long as your satisfied that the appropriate steps and precautions are taken. You may contact me by email or phone for any clarifications or questions. Thank you for your time.

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