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То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
Subject:	Enbridge Energy's Line 3

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing to express my concern with the proposed construction of Enbridge Energy's Line 3 tar sands oil pipeline and the DEIS (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137).

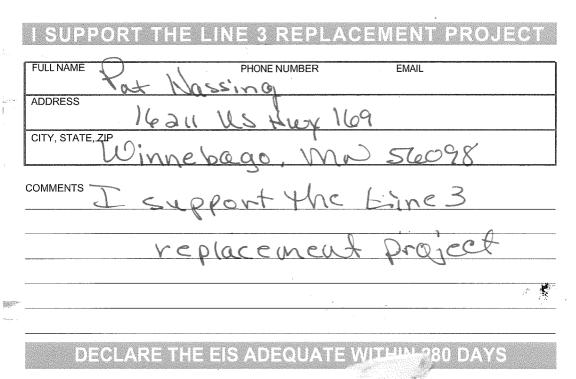
While there are a number of factors of the proposal that alarm me, my top concern is over the social cost of the carbon that would result from this project.

The DEIS estimates that the building of this pipeline could result in a cost as high as \$287 billion over 30 years. Not only is this crazy high, but it's an estimate that only takes into consideration the shortest possible lifespan of the pipeline.

The DEIS must be updated to include an estimate of the climate cost that a pipeline in operation for 60 years or longer will have. Only then will the DEIS fully capture the impact that this pipeline will have on our state.

Thank you for your time.

Amelia Narigon Minneapolis, MN



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Subject:	Public Comment: Line 3 Project (CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137)
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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this.

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Subject:	RE: CN-14-196 and PPL15-137

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This proposed line directly threatening watersheds connected to the largest and the only certified organic wild rice lakes in Minnesota. This is a bad investment which needs much more study because it threatens our water. This Canadian company gets all the benefit and Americans get all the risk. In addition Enbridge needs to clean up all it's old pipe not just walk away and leave it in the ground for future generations. Please do not poison generations to come.

Thank you, Lisa Nebenzahl Richfield, MN

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Subject:	Enbridge should honor the people and lands of MN

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To whom it may concern,

Just NO.....No to Unbridge Line 3.

Do not increase the oil flow across our beautiful waterways.

In fact, if the infrastructure for this pipe line is obsolete, shut it down.

Get rid of it entirely. This planet can not continue to sustain the human implications now.

Keep it in the ground to begin with.

Minnesota and Wisconsin are some of the best outdoor playgrounds in our country. Do you want to vacation where there is oil on the ground and in the water? I don't. Is it really worth it to line the pockets of the oil companies in order to move oil? Do you think big oil is going to care if our backyards are ruined? Nope. I feel like they only care about the bottom line.

It is a matter of time when there will be a spill. It is not worth the price to clean it up....if you can ever clean it up. Don't allow an expansion of this oil line.

Katherine Neitzke Cabin owner in Minnesota Resident of Wisconsin 715-377-6579

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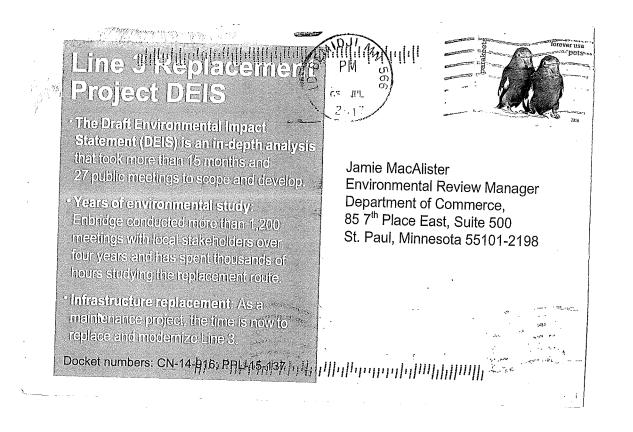
My first concern is that routes are proposed that are out of the existing pipeline footprint. The only way to really minimize impacts to environmental resources is by not disturbing new areas. For this reason, using the existing pipeline right of way makes the most sense and does the most to protect the environment.

My second concern is that proposed routes impact several American Indian tribal communities and some of the highest quality water resources in the state, including important wild rice areas.

The only alternative that should be considered is use of the existing right of way where the current Line 3 pipeline resides.

Thank you,

Molly Nelson



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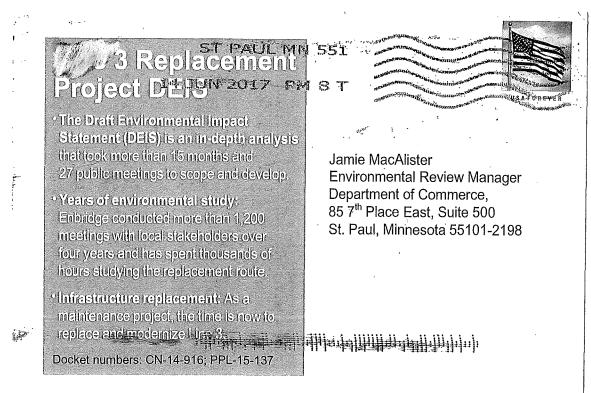
They say that water is the new oil; I'm not sure if this is fully true yet, if we keep feeling the need to prioritize oil needs over water security, but please consider the safety of our watersheds of the utmost importance. We all want to have safe, clean, good places to live, work, and play; I can recognize the economic and "energy needs" pull of oil, but would rather not imagine or have to face the potential consequences, as minuscule as the risks may seem; please keep in mind that a small percent chance is a far cry from a zero percent chance.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this and other comments.

Best regards,

Alyssa Ness Lifelong Minnesotan, dependent on clean water

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То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
Cc:	Kirsch, Raymond (COMM)
Subject:	FW: Enbridge Pipeline #3 request giving landowners option for removal per Grand
	Rapids City Council request

From: Patricia Neuman [mailto:neuman@mnstate.edu]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:26 PM
To: Kirsch, Raymond (COMM) <raymond.kirsch@state.mn.us>
Subject: Enbridge Pipeline #3 request giving landowners option for removal per Grand Rapids City Council request

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Please also note that we support, and request your support, for the Grand Rapids City council request that the pipeline be removed. Thank you, Paul and Patricia Neuman. 201 NW 17th St. , Grand Rapids MN 55744. 218-301-9540

From: Sent: To: Subject: MacAlister, Jamie (COMM) Monday, July 10, 2017 5:08 PM MN\_COMM\_Pipeline Comments FW: Enbridge pipeline property owner concerns

#### Jamie MacAlister

Environmental Review Manager Minnesota Department of Commerce 85 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 280, Saint Paul, MN 55101 P: 651-539-1775

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From: Patricia Neuman [mailto:neuman@mnstate.edu]
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#### Hi Jamie, Ray,

Not sure if Ms. Neuman also sent this comment to you. I was out of the office Monday afternoon and yesterday and didn't see this. It's dated July 10, however.

#### Kevin

#### Kevin George

Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place East, Suite 350 | St. Paul, MN 55101 (651) 201-2251 | <u>Kevin.George@state.mn.us</u> | <u>mn.gov/puc/</u>

From: Patricia Neuman [mailto:neuman@mnstate.edu]

Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:31 PM

To: George, Kevin (PUC) <kevin.george@state.mn.us>

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From: Sent: To: Subject: MacAlister, Jamie (COMM) Wednesday, July 19, 2017 12:01 PM MN\_COMM\_Pipeline Comments FW: Stop Line 3 Abandonment

Jamie MacAlister Environmental Review Manager Minnesota Department of Commerce 85 7th Place East, Suite 280, Saint Paul, MN 55101 P: 651-539-1775

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-----Original Message-----From: Darren Neuman [mailto:neum0072@hotmail.com] Sent: Tuesday, June 06, 2017 6:47 PM To: MacAlister, Jamie (COMM) <jamie.macalister@state.mn.us> Cc: Darren Neuman <neum0072@hotmail.com> Subject: Stop Line 3 Abandonment

Mr Macalister:

I am opposed to abandonment of any pipeline in MN until an approved regulatory strategy is in place to ensure protection of our environment, communities, and citizens. The certificate of need docket is cn-14-916 and the route permit docket is ppl-15-137.

Thank you, Darren Neuman Grand Rapids, MN

From:	Cecelia Newton <newton.cecelia@gmail.com></newton.cecelia@gmail.com>
Sent:	Friday, July 07, 2017 3:04 PM
То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
Subject:	CN-14-916 and PPL-15-137

To Whom I May Concern,

I am a retired teacher that is concerned with the effects of climate change on the students I taught from 1975 to 2005 in Minneapolis. The DEIS does not consider the possibility of shutting down the current line 3 and constructing no alternative line as a way to support our commitment to climate mitigation goals set by Minnesota legislature.

Cecelia Newton 5516 Irving Ave. S. Minneapolis, MN. 55419

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From:	Robin Nicholson <rcrwnicholson@yahoo.com></rcrwnicholson@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Saturday, July 08, 2017 4:19 PM
То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
Subject:	Enbridge Line 3

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a citizen of Minnesota.

I do not think the DEIS has not shown adequate concern for oil spill safety and other environmental concerns. It violates some some existing rules: MN Statute 103F.305 Scenic River Protection Policy and MN statute 116D.02 Declaration of State Environmental Policy.

All pipeline spill. Why or how can a state even consider allowing this to happen in our state of so many lakes, rivers, marshes, etc.? review the NO BUILD option. Our world is moving away from fossil fuels. Minnesota should do the same. Thanks for your consideration,

Sincerely,

Robin Nicholson

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

Libby Nickel Baker <libby.nickel@gmail.com> Wednesday, June 14, 2017 4:55 PM MN\_COMM\_Pipeline Comments Milaca Meeting re: Enbridge Pipeline

Hello-

I'm just writing to ask if anyone bothered to consult anyone in Mille Lacs County about when would be the best time to schedule these meetings to ensure education for residents of Milaca and surrounding areas about the new pipeline that might be built in their backyard.

It is, of course, a rhetorical question.

Milaca is the county seat of Mille Lacs County. Milaca's Gateway to the Northland festival parade, a parade attended by thousands of people, a parade that draws 20+ marching bands from all over the state of Minnesota just happens to start 30 minutes before the Enbridge Pipeline meeting at the Phoenix Event Center tomorrow. And I don't think that's a coincidence.

Hundreds of kids are involved in the marching band program at Milaca Public Schools, not to mention Foley, Princeton and other school districts near Milaca who will be marching in this parade. If one assumes that at least one parent of these children will want to watch their kids perform, that's hundreds of adults who will be otherwise engaged tomorrow night.

Also, this parade is the only parade where all three Milaca bands march. So how many Milaca parents whose kids have been working for over a month are going to skip the parade to talk to anyone about an oil pipeline in their backyard? Few to none. And if they have day jobs, they can't attend the Foley or Mora meetings either.

Because I have a full-time job and will be at the parade, watching my stepchildren perform, and hosting my family members who are coming to town to watch our hometown festival parade, I will not be able to attend any of the meetings.

Can you please send me the literature (.pdf of a fact sheet, etc.) that will be distributed at the Open House so that I can educate myself and make any informed comments by your July 10 deadline?

Thank you, Libby Nickel Baker

--Libby Nickel Baker <u>libby.nickel@gmail.com</u>

From:	Helen Nikiel <hnikiel@comcast.net></hnikiel@comcast.net>
Sent:	Wednesday, July 05, 2017 9:34 AM
То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
Subject:	Line 3 proposed by Enbridge

Hello,

My name is Helen Nikiel and I am a resident of Bloomington in the great state of Minnesota. I am writing as a person of faith and as a concerned human being regarding the new Line 3 proposed by Enbridge.

How many times do we have to go through this argument? I don't care how "safe" pipelines are touted to be. It only takes one incident, one leak, to endanger the health of our precious environment and, in turn, the health of all of us who live here.

It is also a source of deep embarrassment to me, as it should be to all of us, that our Native communities continue to endure the impact of extracting and transporting oil (that in my humble opinion should stay in the ground).

We have a responsibility to keep our environment healthy to sustain our current and future generations. Please accept that responsibility and reject Line 3.

Thank you for this opportunity to speak out,

Helen Nikiel Bloomington, MN ST PALL

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Sent:	Monday, July 10, 2017 2:54 PM
То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
Subject:	CN-14-196 and PPL15-137

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Sincerely, Heather R Nord

PUC, Docketing (PUC)
Monday, July 10, 2017 2:58 PM
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MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
RE: CN-14-196 and PPL15-137

Please send comments to : Pipeline.Comments@state.mn.us I am ccing now, thank you

From: HeatherR Nord [mailto:heathernord01@hotmail.com]
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# **Comment Form** Line 3 Project Draft EIS Public Meeting

Please provide your contact information. This information and your comments will be publicly available.
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Please share your comments on the Line 3 Project Draft EIS. What could be improved in the EIS? What is missing?
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From:	Kirsch, Raymond (COMM)	
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То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments	
Subject:	FW: Comments Enbridge Line 3 DEIS below and copy attached	
Attachments:	Line3 DEIS Lois cmts 7-10-17.pdf	

From: Lois Norrgard [mailto:lnorrgard01@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 9:06 AM
To: Kirsch, Raymond (COMM) <raymond.kirsch@state.mn.us>
Subject: Comments Enbridge Line 3 DEIS below and copy attached

Please find comments to the Line 3 DEIS below and copy attached.

TO: Department of Commerce, Energy Environmental Review and Analysis

Ray Kirsch, Public Advisor DOC-EERA 85 7<sup>th</sup> Place East St Paul Minnesota 55101 Raymond.kirsch@state.mn.us

## RE: Public Comment for Enbridge Line 3 pipeline DEIS, 7-10-2017

I am writing today as a citizen of Minnesota and affected landowner with property downstream for the proposed pipeline along the Kettle River. I have grave concerns regarding the adequacy and the lack of analysis contained within the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Enbridge Line 3 replacement project.

#### I. General concerns

I am concerned with wildlife impacts and did not find an in depth assessment of impacts to Threatened and Endangered species, Minnesota species of special concern, aquatic resources (other than just fish) and pollinators, contained in the DEIS. I am also concerned about the extensive impacts to water and wild rice.

One comment that I feel holds true throughout the DEIS - you cannot expect just mentioning a word will be considered the "hard look" that NEPA requires.

#### **Climate Change:**

I request that there be a robust analysis of the GHGs from the product traveling within the pipeline – this must be a full life cycle analysis that includes the increased carbon debt of moving 390,000 barrels per day presently, as well as the increased carbon threats and risks of a new pipeline moving 760,000 barrels per day would cause to our changing climate. The burning of this carbon will add to the existing overload that we have in our atmosphere, will add to the existing extreme weather and

drought, existing impacts to agriculture, wildlife and their habitats, water quality, and human homes and communities that we are presently seeing here in Minnesota and across the world.

The science was not in existence and GHG impact was not assessed 50 years ago when the original Line 3 pipeline was first built – we now have the chance to remedy this HUGE oversight. This DEIS cannot be considered final without a life cycle analysis the increased burning and by products of the tar sands oil that will flow through this pipeline will bring to our world. The DEIS also does not address the loss of carbon from this project in our wetlands and forest soils due to this project. We must protect and increase carbon sequestered in our natural areas.

Minnesota is committed by statute to do its part for the climate by meeting its Next Generation Energy Act goals. This 2007 law requires the state cut its annual emissions of greenhouse gases by 80% between 2005 and 2050. We must prevent the problem from getting worse – this is not some far off in the future priority or need – this is TODAY.

The need for action is clear: Minnesota is already feeling the impacts of climate change. We have experienced four 1,000-year rainfalls since 2002. We have watched our spruce, fir, aspen, and birch forests retreat northward. And air pollution related to greenhouse gas emissions annually cost us more than \$800 million in increased health care costs. *(information taken from CSEO report)* 

# Justice:

Most importantly - admitted in these documents any of the routes would have a disproportionate and adverse effect on tribal resources and members - It is inconceivable to me that that we are even considering moving forward with this project at all. This analysis and public involvement process cannot be considered adequate without a full, robust, and credible consultation with the tribes affected. And true and proper steps to ensure safety and protection of cultural resources today and into the future. I emphatically believe that if this were done, we would find this project far to "costly" to ever move forward.

# 750 foot corridor:

# DEIS lacks adequate analysis for why this is necessary

Why does the company request a 750 foot wide corridor? Well over two football fields wide corridor – what land clearing, wetland impacts, chemical treatments, tree removal, and other environmental disturbance will occur in this corridor? This is not adequately detailed in the DEIS, this must be remedied before this document can be considered final. What are the future plans for why they are requesting such a wide corridor? This DEIS must be redone if this is for additional pipeline construction in future. Future plans for additional lines would be connected actions and must be analyzed in this DEIS. What is being done about Line 1, 2, and 4 – all of the same age as Line 3? The need for why a 750' wide corridor must be clearly identified. Presently there are 7 pipelines in the Line 3 corridor in an easement width of 200 feet. Why the discrepancy?

# Missing Alternative that must be analyzed:

One missing alternative that merits analysis and review would be a Line 3 continued use with a planned sunset, and transition alternative. This is what the citizens' of MN, US, and all the other species we share this planet with are really looking for.

To meet the state's 2050 goal, the state needs to immediately begin to implement long-term strategies that reduce fossil fuel use in vehicles.

Continue Line 3: We need an alternative that takes a hard look at 3 more years or some assessed timeframe continued use. Then decommission properly - NOT ABANDONMENT. For all of the reasons laid out in the Summary doc – especially the fact that this pipeline over time would continue to disintegrate and break down – become a conduit for water flow, possibly draining wetlands like farm tile, and buoyancy concerns.

The Summary shows that continuing the existing pipeline is possible. I advocate only allowing this with a comprehensive and robust analysis and plan put into place to ratchet down our use of the toxic tar sands that travel through it – a plan to transition to clean renewable energy, and alternative transportation choices. This review has been started in the Climate Solutions and Economic Opportunities (CSEO) Report from 2016. An assessment could provide a framework to allow ongoing operation of the existing Line 3 to a sunset date and new far-reaching plan for Minnesota's future. While this framework would require heightened integrity work and progressive decreases in operating pressure, continued operation of existing Line 3 is possible.

There are a myriad of resources that can be included in this far reaching Alternative. Some I suggest:

Our own Environmental Quality Board's Climate Solutions and Economic Opportunities Report (2016). <u>https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/documents/CSEO\_EQB\_0.pdf</u>

We are moving beyond fossil fuel vehicles: Signs For Fast-Charging Stations Now On I-94 In Minnesota June 15, 2017 3:03 PM Filed Under: <u>Electric Cars</u>, Interstate 94

**MINNEAPOLIS (WCCO)** – Not sure where you can charge an electric car along Interstate 94 in northern Minnesota? Well, now there's some easy-to-spot roadside answers.

MnDOT announced Thursday that new "Electric Vehicle Charging Stations" signs are up on the interstate north of St. Cloud, telling motorists where they can find public, fast-charging stations nearby.

Expect to see similar signs on other parts of I-94 in the near future.

A stretch of the interstate from the Fargo area to Huron, Michigan, is designated as the "Great Lakes Zero Emission Corridor," part of a federal effort to promote alternative fuels.

*I-94 is one of 55 roadways in the U.S. designated as an "alternative fuel corridor." A network of such corridors was created under the 2016 Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, and it spans 35 states and covers 85,000 miles.* 

Charlie Zelle, the Minnesota Department of Transportation Commissioner, said in a news release that supporting electric cars on major Minnesota roads like I-94 is important because the leading cause of greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S. is transportation-related.

"By identifying where fueling stations can be found, we can increase the use of electric vehicles and improve air quality and meet the needs of current and future motorists," he said.

MPR ran a story recently that Volvo is switching to all electric engines by 2019. The era of internal combustion engines is over they say. They are joining BMW and Audi in developing electric cars. The story also cited tighter emission standards in Europe that will be difficult to meet with the fossil fuel engines.

The oil industry is slowing production – wonderful news!: US oil production boom to cool down amid low oil prices

Depressed oil prices and a shortage of labor and equipment could force US drillers to scale back production and cut rigs in less-profitable plays such as the Bakken Shale, whereas rig growth in the Permian Basin will likely flatline. However, analysts don't expect a dramatic slowdown in production unless oil prices fall into the low-\$30 range.

Houston Chronicle (tiered subscription model) (6/20)

## **OIL MARKETS**

# Enthusiasm wanes as crude glut remains stubbornly high

Nathanial Gronewold, E&E News reporter Published: Thursday, June 15, 2017

Industry is also coming on board with this new future we must embrace. OIL AND GAS Shell CEO wants climate risks disclosed

Published: Thursday, July 6, 2017

Facing shareholders' pressure to lessen his company's carbon footprint, the CEO of Royal Dutch Shell PLC acknowledged that firms need to reveal more about how they'll deal with climate change's threats to the global economy.

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#### RE: Public Comment for Enbridge Line 3 pipeline DEIS, 7-10-2017

I am writing today as a citizen of Minnesota and affected landowner with property downstream for the proposed pipeline along the Kettle River. I have grave concerns regarding the adequacy and the lack of analysis contained within the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Enbridge Line 3 replacement project.

#### I. General concerns

I am concerned with wildlife impacts and did not find an in depth assessment of impacts to Threatened and Endangered species, Minnesota species of special concern, aquatic resources (other than just fish) and pollinators, contained in the DEIS. I am also concerned about the extensive impacts to water and wild rice.

One comment that I feel holds true throughout the DEIS - you cannot expect just mentioning a word will be considered the "hard look" that NEPA requires.

#### **Climate Change:**

I request that there be a robust analysis of the GHGs from the product traveling within the pipeline – this must be a full life cycle analysis that includes the increased carbon debt of moving 390,000 barrels per day presently, as well as the increased carbon threats and risks of a new pipeline moving 760,000 barrels per day would cause to our changing climate. The burning of this carbon will add to the existing overload that we have in our atmosphere, will add to the existing extreme weather and drought, existing impacts to agriculture, wildlife and their habitats, water quality, and human homes and communities that we are presently seeing here in Minnesota and across the world.

The science was not in existence and GHG impact was not assessed 50 years ago when the original Line 3 pipeline was first built – we now have the chance to remedy this HUGE oversight. This DEIS cannot be considered final without a life cycle analysis the increased burning and by products of the tar sands oil that will flow through this pipeline will bring to our world. The DEIS also does not address the loss of carbon from this project in our wetlands and forest soils due to this project. We must protect and increase carbon sequestered in our natural areas.

Minnesota is committed by statute to do its part for the climate by meeting its Next Generation Energy Act goals. This 2007 law requires the state cut its annual emissions of greenhouse gases by 80% between 2005 and 2050. We must prevent the problem from getting worse – this is not some far off in the future priority or need – this is TODAY.

The need for action is clear: Minnesota is already feeling the impacts of climate change. We have experienced four 1,000-year rainfalls since 2002. We have watched our spruce, fir, aspen, and birch forests retreat northward. And air pollution related to greenhouse gas emissions annually cost us more than \$800 million in increased health care costs. *(information taken from CSEO report)* 

#### Justice:

Most importantly - admitted in these documents any of the routes would have a disproportionate and adverse effect on tribal resources and members - It is inconceivable to me that that we are even considering moving forward with this project at all. This analysis and public involvement process cannot be considered adequate without a full, robust, and credible consultation with the tribes affected. And true and proper steps to ensure safety and protection of cultural resources today and into the future. I emphatically believe that if this were done, we would find this project far to "costly" to ever move forward.

#### 750 foot corridor:

#### DEIS lacks adequate analysis for why this is necessary

Why does the company request a 750 foot wide corridor? Well over two football fields wide corridor – what land clearing, wetland impacts, chemical treatments, tree removal, and other environmental disturbance will occur in this corridor? This is not adequately detailed in the DEIS, this must be remedied before this document can be considered final. What are the future plans for why they are requesting such a wide corridor? This DEIS must be redone if this is for additional pipeline construction in future. Future plans for additional lines would be connected actions and must be analyzed in this DEIS. What is being done about Line 1, 2, and 4 – all of the same age as Line 3? The need for why a 750' wide corridor must be clearly identified. Presently there are 7 pipelines in the Line 3 corridor in an easement width of 200 feet. Why the discrepancy?

#### Missing Alternative that must be analyzed:

One missing alternative that merits analysis and review would be a Line 3 continued use with a planned sunset, and transition alternative. This is what the citizens' of MN, US, and all the other species we share this planet with are really looking for.

To meet the state's 2050 goal, the state needs to immediately begin to implement long-term strategies that reduce fossil fuel use in vehicles.

Continue Line 3: We need an alternative that takes a hard look at 3 more years or some assessed timeframe continued use. Then decommission properly - NOT ABANDONMENT. For all of the reasons laid out in the Summary doc – especially the fact that this pipeline over time would continue to disintegrate and break down – become a conduit for water flow, possibly draining wetlands like farm tile, and buoyancy concerns.

The Summary shows that continuing the existing pipeline is possible. I advocate only allowing this with a comprehensive and robust analysis and plan put into place to ratchet down our use of the toxic tar sands that travel through it – a plan to transition to clean renewable energy, and alternative transportation choices. This review has been started in the Climate Solutions and Economic Opportunities (CSEO) Report from 2016. An assessment could provide a framework to allow ongoing operation of the existing Line 3 to a sunset date and new far-reaching plan for Minnesota's future. While this framework would require heightened integrity work and progressive decreases in operating pressure, continued operation of existing Line 3 is possible.

There are a myriad of resources that can be included in this far reaching Alternative. Some I suggest:

Our own Environmental Quality Board's Climate Solutions and Economic Opportunities Report (2016). <u>https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/documents/CSEO\_EQB\_0.pdf</u>

#### We are moving beyond fossil fuel vehicles: **Signs For Fast-Charging Stations Now On I-94 In Minnesota** *June 15, 2017 3:03 PM* **Filed Under:** <u>Electric Cars, Interstate 94</u>

**MINNEAPOLIS (WCCO)** – Not sure where you can charge an electric car along Interstate 94 in northern Minnesota? Well, now there's some easy-to-spot roadside answers.

MnDOT announced Thursday that new "Electric Vehicle Charging Stations" signs are up on the interstate north of St. Cloud, telling motorists where they can find public, fast-charging stations nearby.

Expect to see similar signs on other parts of I-94 in the near future.

A stretch of the interstate from the Fargo area to Huron, Michigan, is designated as the "Great Lakes Zero Emission Corridor," part of a federal effort to promote alternative fuels.

I-94 is one of 55 roadways in the U.S. designated as an "alternative fuel corridor." A network of such corridors was created under the 2016 Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, and it spans 35 states and covers 85,000 miles.

Charlie Zelle, the Minnesota Department of Transportation Commissioner, said in a news release that supporting electric cars on major Minnesota roads like I-94 is important because the leading cause of greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S. is transportation-related.

"By identifying where fueling stations can be found, we can increase the use of electric vehicles and improve air quality and meet the needs of current and future motorists," he said.

MPR ran a story recently that Volvo is switching to all electric engines by 2019. The era of internal combustion engines is over they say. They are joining BMW and Audi in developing electric cars. The story also cited tighter emission standards in Europe that will be difficult to meet with the fossil fuel engines.

The oil industry is slowing production – wonderful news!: US oil production boom to cool down amid low oil prices

Depressed oil prices and a shortage of labor and equipment could force US drillers to scale back production and cut rigs in less-profitable plays such as the Bakken Shale, whereas rig growth in the Permian Basin will likely flatline. However, analysts don't expect a dramatic slowdown in production unless oil prices fall into the low-\$30 range.

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# OIL MARKETS Enthusiasm wanes as crude glut remains stubbornly high

Nathanial Gronewold, E&E News reporter

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Industry is also coming on board with this new future we must embrace. OIL AND GAS

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То:	MN_COMM_Pipeline Comments
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#### Dear Ms. MacAlister,

TO: Minnesota DOC-----I am writing this to let you know I am in TOTAL SUPPORT OF LINE 3 REPLACEMENT!!!!! It only makes sense to me to do this. I live in LaPrairie MN, right off Hwy 2. The pipeline has been wonderful. It makes so much sense to move the oil this way. Not to mention all the jobs it provides for people . Why wouldn't you go in and replace it when it needs it? This is a SAFETY ISSUE!!! Why do you have to get permission AGAIN for something that was approved years ago?? This is maintenance of the pipeline that is already there!!! Has there been problems with the pipeline? NO!! It is just OLD and needs replacing! So why are people against it? I SUPPORT THIS REPLACEMENT OF PIPELINE 3 TOTALLY!! You can count on me backing you up on this!!!! I live at 325 Fuhrman Ave Grand Rapids MN 55744 THANK GOODNESS for President Trump who believes we should support ourselves with our own oil!!!! THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ENBRIDGE AND TO OK THEM TO DO THIS REPLACEMENT OF PIPE LINE 3.Only thing that makes sense to me. I am 66 yrs old and BELIEVE IN OUR COUNTRY!!! CN-14-916 PPL-15-137

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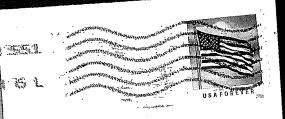
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My name is Curt Nyegaard and I have worked in safety in North American Oilfields for the last 5 years. I have walked entire ROW's from Tioga, ND to Park Rapids, MN; and much of it east of Park Rapids to Superior, WI. I believe the North American Oil Industry must and can do a better job in advertising the due diligence "we" exercise. I believe there are many opportunities to build partnerships with the public to provide education and give transparency and a shared ownership in our energy future. I believe we are uniquely positioned in North America to advertise our strong stewardship of the environment, to give credibility to our strong community commitments and to highlight the ways we make lives better in North America. To provide contrast, just peek south to Venezuela, South America or any other countries with vast oil reserves and see their track record regarding people and the environment! Things like grassland surveys, insect surveys, flora-fauna surveys, bat surveys, calcareous fen surveys and migratory bird surveys are just a small sample of the due diligence served to prove outstanding stewardship of the environment. Real science, with credible 3<sup>rd</sup> party providers will stand the scrutiny of critical review.

I live in Clearwater County, Shevlin township in rural Minnesota. I have a strong local stake in the proposed L3R project in MN. I feel there are powerful similarities between the Agricultural Industry and the Energy Industries. I have worked in both! Both industries must be strong stewards of the environment and we both need the people that we provide with food, fiber and energy, to understand and support our efforts. Before my oilfield career I worked with the University of Minnesota Extension Service - 4-H youth development. I feel there are a myriad of possibilities for education and development of partnerships that will serve the greater good for our citizens and our industries. We all need each other and sadly a significant population of our society does not even realize this. I believe there is nowhere in the world that the energy industry works as hard or cares as much for developing infrastructure and natural resources (ETHICALLY) as we do here in North America (Canada and the US)! That being said, I feel we must be intentional in our growth of "public perception" to be successful in our continued development.

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