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Subject: Re: The North Dakota Pipeline vs. Tribal Protests

Hi Jack,

The article below, Old Treaties and New Alliances Empower Native Americans, is a really good overview of tribal government abilities to implement "climate change" policies on the grounds, and itemizes several projects (the North Dakota pipeline being one) that tribes have blocked to stop this country from being able to become energy self-sufficient:

http://indianalawblog.com/archives/2016/11/law_old_treatie.html

The Dakota pipeline is NOT within the boundaries of the Standing Rock Sioux - it's 2 miles away. It's on state and some federal lands. Legally the tribal government doesn't have a leg to stand on, but you know the old adage, "if you chant a lie long enough people will believe it..." All the grandstanding there is claiming that the pipeline is on premier cultural lands, burial sites, and that there's loads of artifacts. Those statements have not been validated at all to my knowledge.

My take on the Dakota pipeline, is the same as those tribes that would stop the Keystone pipeline, and a much needed clean-coal port in Puget Sound, where the Lummi Tribe is saying, "Oh no you can't; we do our cultural shellfishing here." Bottom line - if this country is initiating projects for domestic energy self-sufficiency that is anywhere near Indian reservations, tribal leaders send their members out in full regalia with drums, teepees and the whole shebang because, as we're supposed to *know*, Native Americans are the only ethnicity or culture in the entire planet that are "stewards of Mother Earth." No other cultures could possibly also care about the earth like Native Americans.

More and more I see the harmonious goals and connectivity of our domestic tribal governments with environmental extremists and the Agenda 21/One World Order folks, so I'm not sympathetic to the stand-in in North Dakota, much of which was conducted in a destructive manner on private lands. I do feel sympathy for the tribal members out there, because I think it's a spoken/unspoken or paid/unpaid requirement of their tribal governments...all things that raise Native American visibility - - are good things...

No doubt my bias is showing here, but I truly do not believe that about 1 million tribal members belonging to 567 tribes should be able to determine America's energy opportunities for 330 million Americans who urgently need affordable energy. Nor should 1/330th of our population prevent us from exporting energy for incoming revenue

as a better option than continuously importing foreign energy from countries that do not like us.

There...stepping off the soap box... Oh, you can google Dakota pipeline for some interesting maps and articles...

Elaine