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4 Pipeline Fights Intensify as Dakota Access Nears Completion

Alleen Brown, The Intercept

Brown writes: "Under orders from President Donald Trump, the Army Corps of Engineers on February 7 approved a final easement allowing Energy Transfer Partners to drill under the Missouri River near the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation in North Dakota. Construction has restarted, and lawyers for the company say it could take as little as 30 days for oil to flow through the Dakota Access pipeline."

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Santa Monica, Calif., Dumps Wells Fargo Over DAPL Funding Posted on Feb 17, 2017
Santa Monica, Calif., has joined [a growing list of cities](#) that have enacted progressive local policies, often at odds with President Trump's positions.

On Wednesday, the Santa Monica City Council voted to sever ties with Wells Fargo because the financial services company helps fund the controversial [Dakota Access pipeline](#).

The Santa Monica Lookout [reported](#):

Council members heard from nearly three-dozen speakers, including several who sang and played drums in an "honor song," during the session that did not begin until the final minutes of Tuesday night due to the meeting's lengthy agenda.

Many of the speakers had been to the much-publicized protests in North Dakota, where they objected to the project because they say it stretches onto sacred native land and creates water and other environmental safety issues.

"Santa Monica is taking a stand against Wells Fargo because they have repeatedly used deceptive business practices," Councilmember Tony Vazquez said.

He continued, "Their investment in the Dakota Access Pipeline is the latest egregious action. It's our hope that other cities will divest their funds so together we can have a collective and powerful impact."

According to local news site [Santa Monica Next](#), the council voted 5-0 to support the divestiture measure, although two council members were not present for the vote.

Santa Monica joined cities such as Seattle and Davis, Calif., which also [have voted](#) to pull investments from Wells Fargo due to its ties to the North Dakota oil pipeline.

In addition, Santa Monica has passed local measures on a wide range of progressive issues in the face of Trump administration moves. For instance, one day after the divestiture vote, the Santa Monica City Council approved drafting legislation to protect residents from having to give sensitive information to employers and landlords. *rest of article edited out* —Posted by [Emma Niles](#).

Dakota Access Pipeline Decline Meeting with Tribal Leaders

One month after the pipeline was effectively put “on hold” by the Army Corps of Engineers, major commercial banks are still banking on the project -- and losing thousands of customers a week as a result.

CANNON BALL, N.D. - For the last six weeks, a global coalition has been pressuring banks providing project loans to the Dakota Access Pipeline to renegotiate or cancel their loans. In December, the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and other Indigenous leaders requested that each of these banks meet with tribal representatives to hear their concerns.

The deadline for banks to respond to the Tribe’s meeting request was January 10, and as of this statement:

- Four banks have declined: BayernLB, BNP Paribas, Mizuho Bank, and Suntrust
- Six banks have not responded at all: Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, BBVA Compass, ICBC, Intesa Sanpaolo, Natixis, and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
- Seven banks have met or agreed to meet with the Tribe and its allies: Citi, Crédit Agricole, DNB, ING, Société Générale, TD, and Wells Fargo

In response, organizers are escalating their pressure on banks that refuse to engage. The Indigenous coalition at Standing Rock has a [running billboard](#) in Times Square asking millions of people to #DefundDAPL. Organizers continue a drumbeat of protests and bank occupations, along with brand-damaging campaigns that have already led to the closure of thousands of accounts worth a [self-reported \\$46,314,727.18](#).

Protests have increased in fervor and frequency over the last few weeks, including multiple occupations of [Wells Fargo](#), [US Bank](#) and [Citibank](#) branches, as well as a [daring banner drop](#) during a nationally televised Vikings/Bears NFL game at US Bank Stadium in protest of their bankrolling of DAPL project sponsors Sunoco Logistics and Energy Transfer Partners.

[Backed by hundreds of thousands of online signatures and commitments to #DefundDAPL](#), organizers from more than 25 grassroots groups vowed the campaign will continue and intensify in the coming weeks, building up to a planned “global week of action” unless all 17 of the banks act. The ask for the banks is to discontinue loan disbursements in consultation with Native leaders until outstanding issues are resolved, and Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Indigenous peoples is upheld.

Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Chairman Dave Archambault II said: “We are pleased that some of the banks behind DAPL are willing to engage Standing Rock Sioux leadership, but maintain that

all 17 should not be helping a company who deliberately ignores our concerns. We call on the remaining banks to agree to a meeting with the Tribe. We know that they have heard Energy Transfer Partners' side of the story, and they need to hear our perspective as well."

Ladonna Bravebull Allard, Sacred Stone Camp said: "I want the banks to know that the power of their investment comes from the people, and the people are saying we have the right to water, and we will stand for the water. Stop investing in destruction of the earth."

Tara Houska, National Campaigns Director, Honor the Earth said: "This movement has shown again and again that the power and strength of the people is incredible. Banks need our dollars to make their investments. We can and must hold these financial backers accountable for supporting destruction of our shared planet and futures. Move past dated fuels and justly transition to a green economy."

Eryn Wise, International Indigenous Youth Council said: "What began as a protection of the earth has now become a reclamation of power. We are demanding that our interests as a prospering people be put before banks and their investments. We hold in our hands the ability to encourage divestment to the point of fruition and we will not back down."

Dallas Goldtooth, Keep it in the Ground Organizer, Indigenous Environmental Network said: "As a movement to stop this dirty Bakken oil pipeline, we are demonstrating the inherent power of organized communities and mobilized citizens. We are showing Big Oil and government leaders that we know the power of our capital, and as such we collectively choose to invest in life and water, not death and oil. As first peoples of the land and in defense of our Indigenous rights, we will continue to rise, resist, self-determine and divest until the Dakota Access pipeline is nothing but the defeated aspirations of a Energy Transfer Partners' dream."

Judith LeBlanc, Director, Native Organizers Alliance said: "The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe has a spiritual obligation to protect the Missouri River for all. The best way for the banks to meet their obligation to protect their investor's interest is to meet with the Tribal leadership. Mother Earth and all of our ancestors deserve the opportunity for an exchange on our shared moral obligations to protect Mother Earth for generations to come."

Sara Nelson, Executive Director, Romero Institute and the Lakota People's Law Project said: "We are moving our financial accounts from Wells Fargo to a local bank that does not invest in companies who violate Indigenous rights and environmental impact requirements, and will not endanger clean water for millions of people. We want our money used to support positive solutions for our children's future, not to float big companies who send oil overseas, make the American people pay for inevitable spills, and generate profits for banks and billion dollar global companies."

Leila Salazar López, Executive Director, Amazon Watch said: "From Standing Rock to the Amazon, Indigenous peoples are defending their territories and providing a model for a fossil free world. It's time banks listen to Indigenous peoples and their allies in our call to Keep It In The Ground."



Lindsey Allen, Executive Director, Rainforest Action Network said: "Investing in a project of Energy Transfer Partners, a company that has abused Indigenous and human rights, was a big mistake. These banks now have a chance to fix it by meeting with the Standing Rock Sioux, and upholding Free, Prior and Informed Consent from Indigenous peoples."

Dr. Gabriela Lemus, President of Progressive Congress Action Fund said: "No bank should support poisoning communities' land and water- yet too many banks still have investments in Energy Transfer Partners and the Dakota Access Pipeline. We call on these banks to divest completely. Families' lives are at risk, and that should always take priority over profits. All banks have a responsibility not only to their shareholders and customers, but to the communities that are impacted by their investments. Don't keep funding this dangerous project."

Todd Larsen, Executive Co-Director of Green America said: "Banks need to end investments that harm the rights and lives of Indigenous peoples. We call on all banks to divest entirely from the Dakota Access Pipeline. Until these banks do so, all Americans should divest their money from any bank providing financing to this ruinous pipeline."

Erich Pica, President, Friends of the Earth U.S. said: "The voices of Indigenous peoples have been ignored for too long – by the US government, corporations and big banks. By not acknowledging Indigenous peoples, or outright refusing to meet with them, these ten banks are perpetuating a pattern of colonialism and failing to respect Indigenous peoples' rights to Free, Prior and Informed Consent."

Johan Frijns, Director of BankTrack said: "The Dakota Access Pipeline project is supposed to be in compliance with the Equator Principles, and therefore guarantee Indigenous peoples' rights to be properly consulted. The refusal of leading EP banks to meet with the Sioux Tribe not only makes a complete mockery of that commitment, but also poses a severe risk to the very credibility of the Equator Principles."

Vanessa Green, Director of DivestInvest Individual said: "DAPL is simply the wrong kind of investment, and people don't want their money behind it. With government mandates to scale up clean energy investments, a market increasingly supportive of a low carbon future, and unprecedented consumer and investor interest in moving money into climate and community solutions, the question now is which banks will lose the most in this historic energy transition."

Mary Sweeters, Arctic Campaigner with Greenpeace USA, said: "People across the world have pledged their solidarity with the Indigenous communities who reject this dirty pipeline and the

threat it poses to the water and climate. The banks must choose whether they want to continue to invest their money in yesterday or listen to the millions of people who stand with Standing Rock.”

Lena Moffitt, Sierra Club Beyond Dirty Fuels Director, said, “People power can, does, and will continue to prevail over corporate polluters. The people will not stop until the banks financing these operations invest in our clean air and water -- not fossil fuels.”

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[Friends of the Earth](#) is the U.S. voice of the world's largest grassroots environmental network, with member groups in 77 countries. Since 1969, Friends of the Earth has fought to create a more healthy, just world.

[How to Contact the 17 Banks Funding the Dakota Access Pipeline by ...](#)

www.yesmagazine.org/.../how-to-contact-the-17-banks-funding-the-dakota-access-pi...

Sep 29, 2016 - Contact us with adjustments. Wells Fargo* BNP Paribas* SunTrust* The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ* Mizuho Bank* Citibank (CitiGroup)* TD Securities* Credit Agricole*

[Here's every bank funding the Dakota Access Pipeline, and how to ...](#)

inhabitat.com/heres-every-bank-funding-the-dakota-access-pipeline-and-how-to-switch/

Dec 6, 2016 - People around the world are celebrating the U.S. Army Corps' decision to block the Dakota Access Pipeline near the Standing Rock Sioux ...

Bank of America: Stop funding the Dakota Access Pipeline!

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe is showing the world how to fight climate change in their brave blockade against the North Dakota Access Pipeline (DAPL). **But for the big banks who fund major polluters, it's still business as usual.**

Thousands have peacefully gathered to stop a **570,000 barrel-per-day pipeline** that would endanger the ancestral lands of the Standing Rock Sioux. Investing in such major fossil fuel infrastructure would continue to lock us into a climate-busting carbon economy for decades -- but **that's exactly what Bank of America is trying to do.**

BoA has actually pledged to go fully carbon neutral by 2020. That's great, but **it's also committed to lending \$350 million to the DAPL's financing.** Unless BoA actually moves money away from polluters, all these commitments won't mean a thing.

Tell Bank of America you want real climate commitment. Demand it divests from the Dakota Access Pipeline.

While the courageous resistance at Standing Rock has captured the nation's imagination, it's also an astonishing example of how much power the banks have when it comes to our changing climate. **\$3.75 of the \$3.8 billion it costs to build the pipeline is on credit.** Without that capital, quite simply, there is no pipeline.

What we are bearing witnessing to at Standing Rock is a moment of history. **Thousands are literally putting their bodies on the line to keep our world, our water, our soil and our air safe.** We can't all stand up in solidarity in North Dakota, but we can make their jobs a whole lot easier.

We could feel that power when tens of thousands of SumOfUs members raised their voice and stopped the Keystone XL pipeline cold. It's happening again -- let's bring Bank of America to the right side of history.

Stop the money, stop a pipeline. It's that simple. Tell Bank of America to divest now.

More information

[The \\$3.7-billion pipeline that became a rallying cry for tribes across America](#)

LA Times. 13 September 2016.

[Who's Banking on the Dakota Access Pipeline?](#) Food and Water Watch. 6 September 2016.

[Anti-Trump Fervor Stokes Resistance to Louisiana's Bayou Bridge Pipeline](#)

Mike Ludwig, Truthout: Advocates of Louisiana's Bayou Bridge pipeline say it's part of Donald Trump's vision for America. Now, a rising tide of activism is pushing back against that vision, inspired by the Indigenous resistance at Standing Rock and the massive protests that have swept the country since Trump's inauguration.

[Read the Article](#)

[With Executive Order on Policing, Trump Declares Racialized War on Dissent](#)

Flint Taylor, Truthout: President Trump's recent executive order on policing can be read as an official authorization from one white supremacist (Steve Bannon) to another (Jeff Sessions) to pursue the most racist and reactionary criminal legal policies in recent memory.

[Read the Article](#)

Canadian government liable for native children taken from families in "Sixties

Scoop" Mic When will the U.S. government acknowledge its own forced separation of Native American families? [Read the full story](#)

The companies say there is no risk, but our traditional knowledge tells us this is untrue. We have four very important rivers and the sea has a huge influence on them. Fish populations and mangroves take years to recover from any contamination. BP and Total come here, but they never tell us anything. They must talk to us.” –Yanomami Silva, an indigenous Aika leader in Brazil, expressing concern over oil development in Amapá state. Communities in the region worry that the [expansion of oil, agribusiness, dams, and mining will threaten their forests and waterways](#).(Guardian)

Citing his promise to “get rid of wasteful regulations,” U.S. President Donald Trump signed legislation [nullifying a rule that prevented surface mines from dumping waste into nearby streams](#). The rule also required more stringent water quality monitoring by mining companies. *Bloomberg*

[Trump signs bill undoing Obama coal mining rule](#)

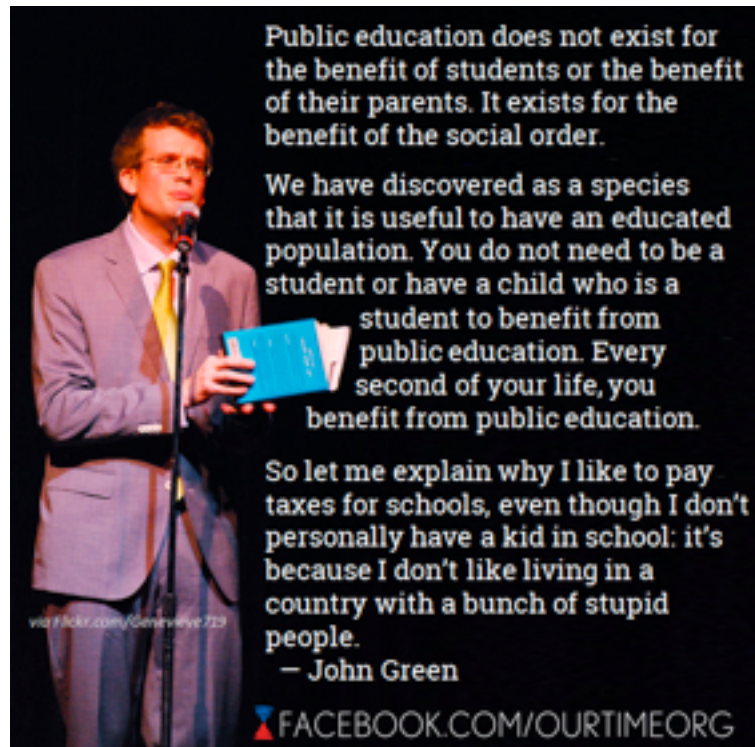
The stream protection rule was intended to protect waterways from mining waste. thehill.com

Scientists [began groundwork in Colorado this month for NASA's SnowEx research campaign](#), an initiative that aims to find better ways to remotely measure the amount of water contained in snow. Eventually, the research will lead to more accurate predictions of snow melt, which feeds rivers and provides water to more than a billion people around the globe.

EurekAlert

Keep the MW Buzz Going Year-round: Join a Community of Practice

Have you ever worried about the Monday after the conference? How will you keep the excitement, the conversations, the great ideas for projects going?



MW Communities of Practice (CoP) are a new way to continue and grow the conversations and collaborations that start at MW conferences, through online and in-person interactions year-round. Communities of Practice include both cultural heritage professionals and providers of innovative products and services in the field. CoPs enable practitioners from around the world to share data, best practices, case studies and knowledge about topics of common interest as well as to collaborate on research and projects to help the community get better at its work.

The Online Collections Community of Practice

Ever wondered if an online collection could ever be as inspiring and educational as the objects themselves? With the generous support of [Axiell](#), a leading provider of Library, Archive & Museum management solutions, the Online Collections CoP explores promising and innovative new ways of enriching online collections while generating global engagement—inside the museum and on the web.

[Reserve your place in the Online Collections kick-off meeting](#) at MW17 and participate all year!

Thanks to the support of our sponsors, there is no additional cost to MW17 attendees to join a Community of Practice.

[Register](#) to attend MW17 and stay at the center of the action at the [Conference Hotel](#) – while rooms last!

WE'RE RECRUITING! Apply to manage the Online Collections Community of Practice as its Community Coordinator (5 hours/week; paid). Applications will be accepted through March

1. [See the full job description and apply.](#)

In the interest of diversifying talent in the sector, MW is particularly interested in receiving applications from emerging professionals whose communities are underrepresented in the cultural heritage field.

Stay tuned and check out the [MW17 program](#) for more info and an opportunity to join the other Communities of Practice kicking off in Cleveland!

[MW 2017, April 19-22 2017, Hilton Cleveland Downtown,](#)

[Cleveland, OH](#)

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NEON MUSEUM RECEIVES \$425K GRANT FOR MAJOR EXPANSION

For the first time since opening in October 2012, the Neon Museum has purchased additional land to allow for the nonprofit's first significant expansion. <http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz31682837>

[Feb. 28 is final day to join water-rights lawsuit](#)

A-Town Daily News

Under the California Constitution, the groundwater rights of overlying landowners are superior to those of urban water purveyors, unless the water purveyors ...

[The First Amendment May Not Protect Us: Trump's FCC Intensifies Attack on Press](#)

Michael Corcoran, Truthout: Trump's decision to appoint Ajit Pai to head the FCC is the latest troubling stage of his war on the media and total disregard for the First Amendment. This could mean the end of net neutrality and increased corporate consolidation between media and telecom companies. [Read the Article](#)

Broadband Policy in 2017: What to Expect

From \$7.2 billion in 2009 that funded State Broadband Initiative Programs, or broadband infrastructure, adoption, and public computing center programs, to an historic shift in 2010 of the Universal Service Fund (USF) to broadband, the inception of the FirstNet first responder emergency communication network in 2010, or the FCC's adoption in 2015 of controversial net neutrality rules, there can be no argument that the Obama Administration presided over foundational changes in broadband policy in America and the federal government's role in shaping that policy.

The new administration of President Donald Trump and control of both the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate almost certainly ensure a definitive shift in telecom/broadband policy. In Connected Nation's most recent policy brief, we outline some of the many broadband policy issues to watch for:

- New Direction at the FCC
- Net Neutrality
- AT&T and Time Warner Merger
- Capitol Hill

[Read the Policy Brief](#)

Join the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee

Washoe County begins recruitment process by accepting resumes and letters of interest.

Reno, Nevada. Feb. 17, 2017. Washoe County is accepting letters of interest and resumes for persons living in Washoe County who are interested in serving on the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee.

The Truckee River Fund, an advised fund administered by the Community Foundation of Western Nevada, was established in 2005 for the purpose of protecting the Truckee River and its tributaries.

The Advisory Committee comprises nine members, consisting of three members selected by each of the City of Reno, the City of Sparks and Washoe County. The Washoe County Board of Commissioners will appoint the Washoe County member at one of its regularly scheduled Board meetings. None of the members of the Advisory Committee may be elected officials. The Advisory Committee meets at least quarterly, generally on Fridays from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., to consider projects for funding, review completed project reports, and hear reports about work being done to protect and enhance the Truckee River.

Ideal Advisory Committee members will have committed to preparing for and attending quarterly advisory meetings and special meetings deemed necessary by the Advisory Committee; have a background in technical areas not already reflected in the current makeup of the Advisory Committee; are very familiar with the Truckee River watershed; and bring technical expertise that helps with evaluation and selection of projects. Committee members are not compensated.

Please email, fax or mail your *letter of interest and resume* by **Friday, March 10, 2017**, to: lrose@washoecounty.us; or Washoe County Community Services Department, Attn: Laura Rose, PO Box 11130, Reno, NV 89520-0027; or via FAX to (775) 328-3699.

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From Dennis M

Feb 18 in **1937** employees of the irrigation service of the Owyhee tribal reservation were on furlough until Congress approved funding to complete the Wild Horse Dam project (the dam in Elko County was complete, but Congress had not appropriated money for the diversion dams and canals); in **1940** the mummified remains of a man were found in a cave in Black Canyon a few miles below Hoover Dam and were identified as the mysterious, never-captured early 20th century Native American outlaw Queho (for more information on Queho, see *Searchlight* by Harry Reid, University of Nevada Press 1998)