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Several hundred people gathered on the shore of Gichi-gami (Lake Superior) in Duluth, Minnesota to protest the Enbridge Line 3 tar sands pipeline, on Sept. 28, 2019. [Fibonacci Blue](#) / [CC BY 2.0](#)

By Brett Wilkins

Indigenous-led water protectors on Friday engaged in multiple direct actions against Enbridge's highly controversial Line 3 tar sands pipeline in Minnesota, on the same day that state regulators denied a request from two tribes to stop the Canadian company from proceeding with the project.

Water protectors blocked pipeline traffic and climbed and occupied trees as part of Friday's actions. Urging other Indigenous peoples and allies to "take a stand," the Anishinaabe activists at one of the protests told other Native Americans that "your ancestors are here too."

"Take a moment to speak to her, our Mother Earth is crying out for the warriors to rise again," they said. "Strong hearts to the front!"

In a statement, Line 3 Media Collective said that the pipeline "violates the treaty rights of Anishinaabe peoples by endangering critical natural resources in the 1854, 1855, and 1867 treaty areas, where the Ojibwe have the right to hunt, fish, gather medicinal plants, harvest wild rice, and preserve sacred sites."

@GovTimWalz what happened to the executive order you signed to work with the tribes and have a solid working relationship... <https://t.co/NeoHwUWq1y>
— WinonaLaDuke (@WinonaLaDuke) [1607112227.0](https://t.co/1607112227.0)
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— Resist Line 3 (@Resist Line 3) [1607110611.0](https://t.co/1607110611.0)

BREAKING: Two water protectors in trees block Enbridge from constructing a Line 3 drill pad under the Mississippi R... <https://t.co/hr9raw4X0b>
— giniw collective (@giniw collective) [1607094888.0](https://t.co/1607094888.0)

"The state of Minnesota does not have the consent of many tribes that will be impacted by construction and spills," the group added. "Last week, the Red Lake Band of Chippewa and the White Earth Band petitioned the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to pause its approval of Line 3 construction while challenges to the permits are considered by the Minnesota Court of Appeals."

On Friday, the MPUC [voted](#) 4-1 to reject the tribes' request. [According to](#) The Washington Post, the commissioners said that further delays would hurt workers who had traveled to northern Minnesota. They also cited Democratic Gov. Tim Walz's designation of the project as "critical" during the coronavirus pandemic.

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— Honor the Earth (@Honor the Earth) [1607092758.0](https://t.co/1607092758.0)
On Thursday, the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (MCT) appealed directly to Walz:

Indian people have lived along the lakes, rivers, and streams of northern Minnesota since time immemorial. The people of the MCT have flourished in the area for centuries due to the careful conservation of our resources. Clean water and unpolluted land capable of providing sustenance is essential to our survival... [and] Line 3 poses an existential threat to our well-being. The vote and the water protectors' latest act of resistance come just two days after construction began on the [\\$2.9 billion](#), 1,100-mile extension.

[According to](#) Indigenous-led environmental group Honor the Earth, the pipeline will have the daily capacity to transport 760,000 barrels of tar sands oil — known as the [world's dirtiest fuel](#) — from Alberta, Canada to a port in Superior, Wisconsin. Stop Line 3 says the pipeline will run "through untouched wetlands and the treaty territory of Anishinaabe peoples."

"We have the right to practice our treaty rights," stressed Gitchigumi Scout member Taysha Martineau, one of the Indigenous leaders at the Friday action. "We ask you to bear witness and protect our right to do so."

ESPN Sources -- Cleveland to drop Indians nickname after 105 years



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President Donald Trump slams Cleveland's decision to drop 'Indians' nickname.

Cleveland's baseball team plans to drop the name Indians

The decision to change the name, which has been in use since 1915, comes after increasing criticism that it is racially insensitive. The Major League Baseball team retired its caricature "Chief Wahoo" mascot after the 2018 season, and its name drew renewed scrutiny this summer as the Washington Football Team moved on from its own controversial moniker.

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Mark Trahan My piece today is about the work of salmon restoration (and my brother). Return of Idaho's sockeye salmon. The **Shoshone-Bannock Tribes' years of effort on the recovery** plan is paying off



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Neenie Beenie

Great book! "Give more than you take, be patient when resources are scarce & find creative ways to use what you have." Sound principles passed on to me from my Big Sky mentor Dawn Jean!



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[Robin Wall Kimmerer is an acclaimed botanist who blends her scientific studies with her Indigenous upbringing . She says there is much to be learned about how to interact respectfully with the earth, from the behaviour of plants.](#)

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[TerraScale's Energos project near Reno will be the largest mixed-use industrial-commercial project in the U.S. powered by renewable energy sources.](#)

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Figure 5.5.1—Native Americans often view the natural world differently than do government agencies, particularly in terms of economic benefits, cultural connections, and spirituality (photo by John Cichoski, Forest Service).

[PDF] [Integrating tribes and culture Into public land management \[Chapter ...](#)

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US Department of Commerce (circa 1973-75)

<https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CZIC-e93-u6553-1974/html/CZIC-e93-u6553-1974.htm>

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A fascinating read:

[FY 2021 Budget proposal - US Department of the Interior](#)

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["The unfortunate thing is people take a little bit of our culture and twist it into their own liking."](#)

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The painting features the former interior secretary riding a horse through Bears Ears National Monument shortly before he and Trump trashed the protected site.

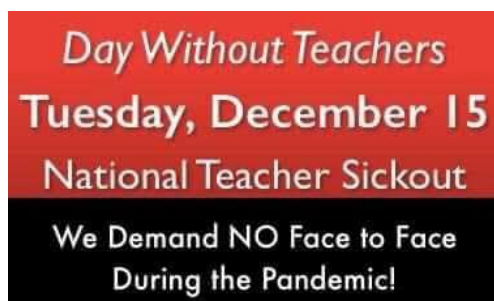
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Tribal Councils Make Slow Progress Toward Gender Equality

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Karen Snyder has never been afraid to use her voice. She learned that from the women who raised her on the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming. "I come from a very long line of strong women. Grandmothers, mothers, a very strong line of women that are very outspoken," Snyder said. That came in handy in 2016, when she was elected as one of two women on the six-person Eastern Shoshone Business Council.





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December 7, 2020

Dear President Raymond, Board of Trustees and Superintendent McNeill:

Before the school year began in August, we at the Washoe Education Association were skeptical there would be enough substitute teachers. We have been discussing the issue of the sub shortage for at least the last four years, and COVID-19 has magnified the larger issue of people not entering education. We know many substitutes are retired educators, and are at an age when they face greater risk if they contract the disease. The idea that enough subs would be available seemed illogical, and considering that many schools face shortages even in normal times, our skepticism was reinforced. As the semester wore on, and COVID cases in our county increased, more staff and students were excluded from schools until we ended up at the end of November with a shortage of over 200 subs according to reporting in the Reno Gazette-Journal.

At the November 24, 2020 WUSD Board of Trustees meeting, we were informed that help was on the way. The NV State Department of Education would solve this problem by simply lowering the standards required to receive a sub license. Now, the minimum requirement for a substitute teacher would be a high school diploma or GED and a fingerprint card. That's right, students will have their academic and social-emotional needs addressed by substitutes who have no college coursework at all.

In addition, there is the question of the length of the license. Is it only six months or a full five years? Would such an unqualified sub be able to fill a long-term position, such as a six-week position for a teacher out on maternity leave?

Critics of public education have long said that we are simply glorified babysitters, and evidently the State Department of Education agrees. Except that there is no glory either. This proposal undermines the professionalism of educators in Nevada, and potentially harms not only students, but also the public perception of education in our state. It begs the question – what is the purpose of our public schools? From this decision it appears the schools are simply a place for students to go so parents and guardians are able to work.

This decision does not honor the WUSD mission statement of providing a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future. It does not meet the recently released Washoe County School District's "Best Practices for High School Educators Distance and Blended Learning" policy, which describes the School District's expectation of ensuring "qualified staff are engaging students in content learning." Substitute teaching is a demanding job that requires positive attitudes, organization, mental preparation, flexibility, knowledge, and skill.

Education is one of the most important professions in our society. That is why standards for education and certification have been established. Research has shown the key role of highly qualified educators in classrooms, and our state and the Washoe County School District have recognized national board certification as a benchmark for higher achievement of students, and higher pay for educators. Additional professional development is required annually, along with

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In loving memory



February 13th
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December 11th
2020

Evelyn Grace Dixon Works

Thursday December 17th viewing 6-7pm following with praying of the Rosary:

The Gardens Funeral Home Cemetery Crematory

2949 Austin Highway
Fallon, NV 89406

Friday December 18th 12noon graveside ceremony at:

The Fallon Paiute Shoshone Indian Cemetery

Military funeral honors
Graveside ceremony officiated by Evangelist Corrine Lewis

Please wear your masks for COVID-19 safety and social distancing is highly recommended.