

PSC MEETING: WABHPETON, NORTH DAKOTA

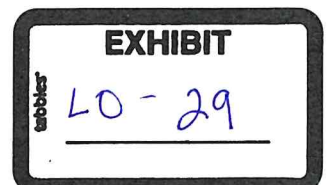
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INTRODUCTION:

My name is Diann Zajac, daughter of Victor and Frances Zajac Lifetime landowners and farmers from Mantador, North Dakota. I presently live in Indiana. I am a proud Dakotan who loves to brag about growing up on a farm and the education received here in Dakota.

REASONS LAND IS IMPORTANT:

1. Everything existing on the planet earth has genesis in land. You treat the land well; it will provide for you well.
2. Sustaining all human activities.
3. The land provided a standard of living for my family growing up. We worked together as a unit. Mom and I planted the garden, canned enough produce for a whole year, raised laying hen, sold the eggs and when they stopped laying, they made a tasty Sunday dinner. The corn and oats we harvested, fed the cattle and pigs we sold and butchered for our meat supply. Mom purchased very little commodities from the store. We milked cows. We had our own orchard. We were pretty much self-sufficient.



My inherited land was already transferred to my irrevocable trust according to mom's irrevocable trust provisions. I might add that when first papers came, they were addressed to my father's irrevocable trust. As stated, before my father passed away in 2004. Everything was transferred to mom's irrevocable trust a day after his funeral. Mom wanted everything taken care of before I left in 3 days.

5. When my brother was served by the court server, it was in my father's name still plus the server had my brother's secretary sign for another person papers from the western part of the state.
6. My sister was negotiating with Summit on my behalf without me knowing.

When my sister was asked to switch quarters with me she texted me "you're on your own, get an attorney". Brain Jorde has copies of interaction.
7. These are examples of how careless Summit interacts with obtaining their data, a clear neglect for accuracy.

Why I am opposed to Summit :

1. Before starting the project, pipeline and mailing out maps for the pipeline should have consulted with the farmers. Who knows the lay of the land? Farmers.
2. Safety- if a pipeline ruptures an explosion of CO2 gas emerges, odorless, colorless, an asphyxiating intensity that can suffocate all living things and prevent combustible vehicles from starting. Concentration of CO2 between 2-10% can cause nausea, dizziness, headaches mental confusion, ABNORMAL b/p and respirations rates. Above 8% nausea and vomiting occur. Above 10% eye irritation and breathing problems.
3. Eminent Domain Abuse- Summit is a private company with private investors. Not a public utility. Saying your are a common carrier does not make Summit a public utility.

4. Damage to topsoil- Crop Losses-Iowa University did a study and found the following: Crop yield right of way were reduced by an average of 25% for soybeans and 15 % for corn during the first and second crop season, compared to undisturbed fields.
5. No regulation of Carbon Pipelines unlike for oil fields and gas pipelines. North Dakota has regulations for both state and federal levels. The NDPSCEstablished and enforced minimum safety standards for design, construction and operation of pipelines. The question is why minimum standards? Dakota Citizens don't deserve safety first? Safety standards need to be increased, there have been 3 pipeline ruptures already. THE TIME IS NOW TO IT.
6. Carbon Capture and sequestering technology does not work. 80% have ended in failure. Between 2005 and 2012 the Department OF Energy spent 6.9 billion attempting to demonstrate the feasibility for CCS of Coal and got very little capture for the money spent. Between 2014 and 2016 less than 4% of the planned CCS capacity was deployed. Here is an important question- "HOW IS THIS A CLIMATE SOLUTION IF CAPTURE OF CO2 IS BEING USED TO FOR MORE OIL DRILL"? IT ABSOLUTELY IS NOT.
7. It's a Boondoggle/ Tax Scam- It is important to note that the credits under 45Q have a poor track record. A recent investigation by the US Treasurer Inspector general for tax administration and commissioned by Senator Menendez found that 87% of tax credits awarded under 45Q were claimed improperly without complying with EPA monitoring, verification and reporting requirements. In 2019 93 million in carbon capture tax credits submitted in ways that did not meet EPA rules. The carbon pipeline could seek and obtain at least 600 million per year in federal subsidies from the federal 45Q tax credits alone.
8. Landowners: All Risk and no rewards-The only people who are profiting from this project is fossil fuel Corporations, Big Oil and gas while asking the farmers and ranchers to shoulder a new risk and burden just to help clean up their own mess. Meanwhile the Landlord generally gets one measly payment for a 99 year easement while landowners with wind turbines or solar panels cited on their property are commonly paid

annually or have revenue sharing agreements. Again, CCS is not climate control. Its force is on energy.

9. What farmers are doing already to reduce carbon-

1. Covers Crops between seasons to prevent soil erosion and capture carbon from the air.
2. Reduce tillage practices as no till.
3. Crop rotation
4. Reduce livestock emissions by capturing CO₂ from the atmosphere.
5. Eliminate bare fallows
6. Organic agriculture can reduce greenhouse gas emissions
7. Nutrient management maximize crop nitrogen uptake
8. Planting trees to prevent soil erosion
9. Sample test soil to monitor and manage its health
10. Invest in reusable energy and energy equipment.
11. Adequate use of fertilizers
12. Use a data base decision

The PSC should require Summit to turnover all investor and support Senator's Jeff Magrum and 31 other legislatures signing Of the letter for the NDAG to investigate Summit investors like CHINA South Korea and Saudi Arabia since ND law now Bans investments from foreign adversaries which would include China.

The companies that Summit associate with :

NextGen and Summit are work together selling worth less credits and breaths new life into the carbon markets.

SK Holdings a company fined over 70 million dollars for frauding US military contracts in 2018 and 2020.

The Rise Fund scandal happened when the former Senior exc . Pleaded guilty of paying 50,000\$ to rig his son's college entrance exam.

Continental RESOURCES: LOCATED IN Oklahoma City where Federal Charges brought against 3 associates for obtaining classify information for right to drill sites and mineral rights then sold them to Continental frauding them out of millions. They are also charged with selling many Shell accounts.

What happens when to much CO2 is removed from the atmosphere? Lete me tell you the effects could be devastating.

1, Ocean devastation: Decarbonation machines could

Devastate the ocean environment

2. Warming would likely stop quickly

3. Plants would no longer be able to produce photosynthesis if

CO2 Levels drop to around 160 parts per million (ppm)

4. Greenhouse effect: without CO2 the earth's natural greenhouse effect would be strong enough to keep the AVERAGE GLOLBAL SURFACE TEMPERATURE ABOVE FREEZING.

I DO NOT SUPPORT SUMMIT Co2 Solutions. As in the early 70s when Chiffon margarine hit the market stating it taste like real butter the dairy association came out with a commercial that simple accurate " It s not nice to fool with mother nature" and Mother nature sends a lighting bolt out. The product is now sold from Jamica.

When I took the Nightengale I Pledged to do no harm to any patient I cared for .
Recently I found out that Public officials either sworn in or appointed have an
innate obligation to do no harm to their constituents'. One farmer's death due to
CO2 pipe rupture or leak is on called for.