

North Dakota is a state that is not paid much attention But theres something you may not know. Theres are colonies of Native Americans who have land they value there. recently in North Dakota the Energy Transfer partners planned to build a pipeline through the land that the natives value. Although many people mistakenly believe the pipeline would be beneficial. I think is wrong that they're disturbing the life that's there, plus turning the natives land into a industrial site, because it violates their rights. ^{work on organization and claim} like they wouldn't like it if someone just went and without any permission invaded there land and all the things they value and are dear to them. So just like that I strongly believe that the native Americans land should be left alone. In the article "Taking a stand at Standing Rock" It states that "The nearly 1700 mile pipeline owned by Texas oil company named Energy Transfer Partners, would snake across our treaty lands and through our ancestral burial grounds. As you can a lot of land would be destroyed plus destroying there ancestral burial grounds which is sacret."

As you may know some people incorrectly believe that the pipeline would benefit everybody. They think that because the pipeline will bring fresh oil to North Dakota to go to the main markets. Also they incorrectly believe that the pipeline will decrease the use of rail and truck transportation which is very dangerous. Because truck and rail transportation includes going through mountains, climbing cliffs, and its very lethal at times. Its selfish to build pipeline just so oil can reach the so called "top markets" because if you think about carefully all that they want is to make a lot of money disregarding the people's ground effect. Also people suggest the pipeline is "safer" but there not aware that the pipeline could break and cause a leak in the water plus contaminating it.

The Texas oil company named Energy Transfer Partners are wrong to destroy the native lands, and it's morally incorrect to destroy someone's property for commercial reasons, because the land of the native is sacred and valued by many people. People will do anything to stop the pipeline. That explains why many were arrested. Also natives and protestors were treated like animals and thrown pepper spray at and attacked by police. The protestors would do things like sing, pray, and support each other. Also did you know thousands of Indians camped on the banks of the Colorado river. Also the pipeline might break and could spill oil over the natives' water and they won't be able to drink it. The land that they're building the pipeline is sacred because the natives have been there for years. As you can see the pipeline is a bad idea and the way they started constructing over the natives' land was unfair.

In conclusion I believe that what is being done to the natives' land is unfair and shouldn't be happening. People's property should be respected and not messed with, because people value and care for their property. And what the pipeline is doing to the natives' property is not respectful. Treat others the way you want to be treated.