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Watch the Line MN

Expect the best, prepare nonetheless!

Informational Webinar
August 2020
Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Line 3 Replacement overview
4. Watch the Line project overview
5. Invitation to volunteer
Introductions

What is your name?
What pronouns would you like us to use?
Where-abouts do you live?
How did you hear about this webinar?
What concerns you about Line 3?
Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the Dakota and Ojibwe peoples on whose land we meet. We thank them and their relatives for their care of the land, and we recognize their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and their culture; both past and present.
Line 3 Replacement Overview

Where would it be built?
What are the concerns?
When could construction start?
Causes for Concern

- **Climate damage**: $287 billion over three decades.
- **Environmental threat**: Crosses 218 water bodies and 79 miles of wetlands.
- **Treaty violations**: Puts greatest burden on Ojibwe people, and their rights to hunt, fish and gather.
- **Unneeded risk**: MN DOC says Line 3 isn’t needed.
Where we stand

• PUC approved two key permits, now being challenged in the MN Court of Appeals
• MPCA water quality (Section 401) Permit pending. Contested case hearing just held
• Preconstruction underway (clearing trees for pumping stations, power lines)
• Construction could start as soon as November
Questions about Line 3?
Watch the Line MN Project Overview

What is Watch the Line?
Why do we need it?
What does monitoring entail?
Watch the Line MN

WatchtheLineMN is a coalition of individuals opposed to the Enbridge Line 3 crude oil pipeline and the environmental damage it would cause in northern Minnesota and the Headwaters Region.

Should the project get all needed permits, we plan to closely, and lawfully, monitor its construction and report on any suspected environmental violations.
About Watch the Line MN

• Following models in Iowa, North Carolina
• Preconstruction started long ago
• Enbridge is required to hire up to 10 independent monitors who report to the regulatory bodies. But, Enbridge has control over who these monitors are, and the training they receive.
• PUC directed Enbridge and contractors to “respect the rights” of Line 3 observers
• Monitor/report on Line 3 following the law, for your safety and the project’s integrity
Roles

- Monitors
- Coaches
- Data analyzers
- Technical Experts
- Planning Team
Monitors

• Adopt a section of pipeline
• Commit to a couple of observations a week
• Focus on water and wetland impacts
• Submit photos and written observations
Protocols

• Be safe!
• Keep it legal!
• Observe from public right of way
• Go with friend and observe as a team
• Check your biases and emotions, focus on collecting good info
A Typical Monitoring Trip

1. We work with you to choose the route section you will adopt
2. We’ll identify the specific locations where you will record observations (typically road crossings)
3. You decide when to go monitoring
4. With your buddy, you proceed to each location, taking photos and making notes at each stop
5. After your trip, you submit your photos and notes to us online
# Frequently Asked Questions

## Will I need to interact with Enbridge employees or security, or law enforcement?

No. If anyone approaches you and asks what you are doing, do what feels safe and comfortable for you. If you choose to engage, be honest about why you are there. Emphasize that your intention is to act within the law. You will have a volunteer ID card with some suggested language. Leave if you feel unsafe. Please include a full description of any interactions in your scouting report.

## What will you do with my monitoring data?

Any data you submit may be made publicly available via web site, media, or other platforms. Photos and written observations you submit will be considered by technical experts to determine if any action should or can be taken. For example, your data may be used as evidence in legal or regulatory filings.

## What is the time commitment for monitors?

It will depend on your scouting locations and the level of construction activity at them. But generally speaking, 1-3 visits per week (during construction). Enbridge expects to complete construction in under 9 months (once they begin).
# Frequently Asked Questions

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<td>Yes! If it is not practical for you to make regular scouting trips, we expect to have need for one-time monitoring. We can also find another role for you to fill with the planning team if you prefer. Reach out to us to discuss more.</td>
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<td>Line 3 monitoring can be done with minimal Covid risk, provided you follow all of the appropriate protocols (masks, distancing, etc.). Please keep yourself safe, and also do everything you can to limit your exposure to local communities.</td>
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What other questions do you have?
Wrap Up and Next Steps

• Next step: Monitor Training This Weekend
• Poll: Time preference
• We will send an email with registration link

Got more questions? Ask us:
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