

**Board of Supervisors
COUNTY OF NANCE**
Court House
FULLERTON, NEBRASKA, 68638

Nebraska Public Service Commission
1200 N Street, Suite 300
Lincoln, NE 68508

May 23, 2017

Dear Members of the NE Public Service Commission,

We, the Board of Supervisors of Nance County, Nebraska, understand the importance of the Keystone XL pipeline project to our county and to Nebraska. We are writing today to express our support for the PSC's approval of the route outlined in TransCanada's recent permit application. Please see the attached Resolution of Support that we passed in our county today.

This project has been through extensive reviews at both the Federal and State levels for almost a decade. It has gone through five comprehensive scientific reviews by the U.S. State Department, which concluded that Keystone XL "would result in a project that would have a degree of safety over any other typically constructed domestic oil pipeline system under current code," and a thorough review by the NE Department of Environmental Quality, which concluded the project "could have minimal environmental impacts in NE" if built as currently proposed.

These studies re-emphasize the fact that pipelines remain the safest, greenest, most reliable and cost efficient way to transport oil over long distances.

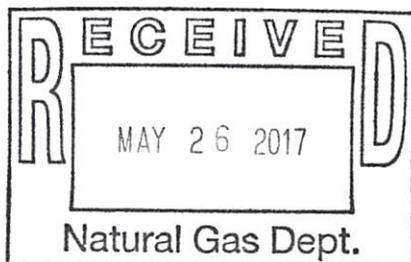
The safety and environmental aspects of this project are important, and so are the economic benefits to Nebraska. The NDEQ report estimated the construction of the pipeline would result in a \$418 million benefit to the local economy. In addition, \$16.5 million in use taxes would be created from construction materials and up to \$13 million in property taxes would be created in the first year of operation. As we understand it, Nance County is projected to receive close to a million dollars in property taxes in that first year, with a projected total property tax collection of over 12 million dollars during a 17 year period.

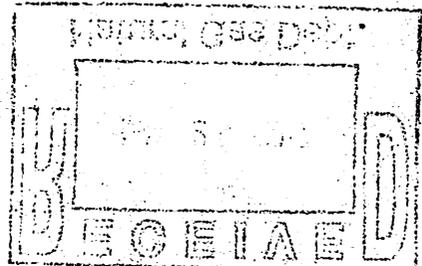
We believe that the Keystone XL pipeline will provide needed tax dollars to our local economy and the State as whole, and we believe that there is ample evidence that the proposed route and project as a whole are as safe as they can be. We strongly encourage the NE PSC to approve TransCanada's application.

Sincerely,



Tim Cornwell, Chairman
Nance County Board of Supervisors





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RESOLUTION # 17-6
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE KXL PIPELINE

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of State in March of 2017 signed and issued a Presidential Permit to TransCanada to construct the Keystone XL (KXL) pipeline; and,

WHEREAS, TransCanada filed an application with the Nebraska Public Service Commission for the route of the KXL pipeline in Nebraska; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed route was evaluated by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality and approved by the Governor of Nebraska in 2013; and,

WHEREAS, almost a decade of extensive and comprehensive scientific review by multiple federal and state agencies has concluded that the KXL pipeline "would result in a project that would have a degree of safety over any other typically constructed domestic oil pipeline system under current code," and "could have minimal environmental impacts in Nebraska" if built as currently proposed; and,

WHEREAS, fifteen miles of the proposed route for the KXL pipeline would traverse Nance County and a pump station for the pipeline would be located in Nance County; and,

WHEREAS, the project is projected to bring substantial revenue and property tax relief to the residents of Nance County for an extended period; and,

WHEREAS, we believe that this project is in the best interest of the citizens of Nance County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Supervisors of Nance County to encourage the Nebraska Public Service Commission to approve TransCanada's application.

Moved by Nelson and seconded by Horacek to approve said

resolution. Roll call: Ayes - Nelson, Ditter, Horacek, Jarecke, Small, Cornwell

_____ ; Nays - None

Absent- Voichoskie. Motion carried.

Dated this 23rd day of May 2017.

ATTEST:

Nanette Zee
County Clerk



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
NANCE COUNTY

Timothy C. Couell
Chairman of the Board

