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RE: Minnesota Pipeline - Lake of the Woods/Red River Valley

Dear Sirs:

Such a great idea as yours must make you feel like you are better designers of the world earth and all it's treasures than the man they write about in the Good Book!

Such ideas should never go unrewarded but there are exceptions to each and every plan that a man has designed that infringes on any other man's life, livelihood, or recreational habitat and so it is with the Pipeline for water from Lake of the Woods that is shared by Minnesota and Canada to the Red River Valley and then South to Wahpeton!

Why did you not choose the Upper and Lower Red Lakes to steal your water from? Why did you not print a map with the Thief Lake and the Thief IRiver and the Red Lake River on it? Was that to make the Red River Valley look arid liked a dessert instead of marshy and swampy! Are you the same people who came through this area 35 years ago and had all the marshy areas along the rivers dredged so that the fertilizers, gas and oil spills, toxins can go directly into our rivers now and not be filtered by the marshes and cattails and muck? You really didn't get rid of the misquotes did you? But you didn't reclaim any thing either, in the long run you made a poor decision and our environment is suffering!

Hands off Northwestern Minnesota, it is not available for your fumbling and bumbling hodge podge plans!

NORTHWESTERN MINNESOTA WILL PASS ON YOUR IDEA FOR A PIPELINE TO TRANSPORT WATER FOR AN "IFFY" REASON !

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