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## Tribal views from Alaska

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Dear Government: my name is Teresa L. Lowrey I live in the tiny village of Pedro bay, Alaska Population 18. As an Alaska native and tribal council member I would like to stress the fact that the Dakota Access Pipeline is not just going to affect the tribal members of this land but it will also affect many non-natives too! Regardless of what the pipeline and local law enforcement feel there are treaties being broken and lives being displaced again, because of the greed of a few who have the government in their pockets! We need to start concentrating on renewable energies and stop sucking the life out of this planet! When we destroy the water we will destroy ourselves! This is an urgent matter regarding the life here on earth.

Oil is being spilled in our waterways  
the land is dug up in search of gold.  
Acres and acres are being destroyed so an unconscionable few can line their pockets with the black and gold of the land they've exploited.  
Where is the compassion for the bird that flies thousands of miles to nest on these grounds. What of the caribou that traverse the harshest of terrain, being pushed by the blood thirsty swarms of mosquitoes while giving birth to thousands of precious offspring, and the salmon that swim the roughest of rivers to spawn then die and be food for another  
From the beginning of time nature has survived earthquakes and tsunamis, floods and meteors, but will it survive the footprint of man or will man finally wake up and be touched by the hand of God before it's to late?  
Was it all for nothing?  
Was it all in vain?  
What will we do?

This pipeline is an assault on the American people and I'm not just talking about American natives, I'm talking about society as a whole!  
As a tribal council member and treasurer I speak for the people of my village and we all agree on this one!  
My only suggestion is renewable energies, as for the gold I have no answer for greed of the yellow metal, we are still dealing with the possibility of the Pebble mine opening again. 😞

God bless you and your efforts in this urgent matter! Please don't allow for another treaty to be broken! Water is life!

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