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Heard It Through The Pipeline

KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE NATIONAL INTEREST DETERMINATION

Recently the U.S. State Department released the final environmental impact statement (FEIS) with findings that the Keystone XL pipeline would have no significant environmental impacts. The next step requires the State Department to make a determination of national interest. Hearings are scheduled in every state which Keystone XL will pass. Montana's hearing will be in Glendive on September 27:

Dawson Community College
Toepke Center Auditorium
300 Community Drive
Glendive, Montana 59330
4:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

MPA believes that it is vital to either testify in person or send comments in support of the Keystone XL project. Environmental groups have placed stopping Keystone XL high on their target lists. MPA encourages members to attend. If you do please notify MPA so we can keep track of industry participation.

MPA believes Keystone XL is in the national interest, and it is important to express your opinion to the US Department of State. Please consider the following points when submitting oral or written comments:

- Keystone XL will inject \$20 billion into the U.S. economy.
- Keystone XL will create 20,000 family supporting jobs – 13,000 in construction and 7,000 in manufacturing.
- Keystone XL will create more than 118,000 spin-off jobs.
- Keystone XL will increase Americans' personal income by \$6.5 billion.
- Keystone XL will lead to more than \$585 million in state and local taxes along the pipeline route.
- Keystone XL will pay property taxes of \$5 billion over the lifetime of the project, allowing counties to invest in new schools, roads and hospitals.

- The U.S. has a simple choice: receive more oil from a secure, stable and longstanding friendly neighbor, which is Canada, or get its oil from volatile,unstable regimes overseas that are not friendly and do not share the interests and values of Americans.
- Keystone XL can reduce America’s dependence on oil from Venezuela and the Middle East by up to 40 per cent.
- Keystone XL is proposing to provide up to 25 percent of its capacity, or almost 100 million barrels per year, to move U.S.-produced crude oil, providing new access to market for U.S. oil that’s currently bottlenecked due to the current lack of pipeline infrastructure.
- Keystone XL is shovel-ready. TransCanada is poised to put 20,000 Americans to work to construct the pipeline – including pipefitters, welders, mechanics, electricians, heavy equipment operators, among others.

Please take a minute and click below to send comments. This is a critical project for our industry and is under attack by the environmental activists. Also, take a minute and forward this email throughout your organization and send a strong message from Montana’s oil and gas industry in support of Keystone XL.

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