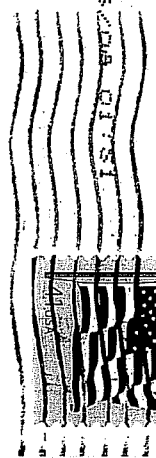


I think the PUC needs to look @ rerouting the pipeline due to the risk of our water resources being affected should there be a leak. One of the concerns of mine is the freezing and thawing of the ground and the stress it may place on the pipeline. The area the pipeline travels through has been historically saturated with water which affects the freeze and thaw. Another concern is if there is a leak, the potential damage to the ecosystem in this area due to water issues. If this was a drier area it would not concern me as much.

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