

Commissioners,

We think the Dakota Access pipeline is "wrong". My wife and I have a 340 acre farm in Lincoln County. We have a sixth generation family living here. It was homesteaded in the late 1800's and payed for with one hundred dollars and a sewing machine.

It has a virgin pasture that has never been broken up. Dakota Access wants to tear up 27 acres of the farm and take away years of building up the soil. We have drainage tiles, cattle, a dugout, waterways and creek beds. Dakota Access wants to rip through all of this without looking back, so they can gain and we, the farmers can lose what we have worked for for over a hundred years.

Progress is good, but taking advantage of people for personal gain is bad. I am just glad that my father, my grandfather, and my great grandfather didn't have to see this.

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