

Fort Peck Rural County Water District

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Office of Senator Steve Daines 222 N. 32nd Street Suite 100 Billings, MT 59101

Dear Senator Daines:

On behalf of the Fort Peck Rural County Water District, Inc.'s Board of Directors, I am writing this letter in support of the Keystone XL Pipeline Project. The District currently serves water to over 360 customers. We were contacted by TransCanada/Keystone Pipeline Project in 2009 and entered into a water service agreement with them in May of 2011 and more recently an agreement for bulk water sales.

The Water District Board recognized the economic benefits of serving water to this project. TransCanada was instrumental in providing funding for an additional 6-inch waterline "loop" for the District's distribution system that had been in the original design but had remained unfunded. In addition, this project would generate increased water operating revenues and property assessments on land that would become benefited parcels in the District. TransCanada has shown us their commitment by investing construction funds for the loop, as well as pre-construction monies for the metered bulk station.

The District Board has kept current on recent newspaper articles and other available public releases pertaining to the Keystone Pipeline Project's design. The District remains confident the pipeline has been engineered to incorporate state-of-the-art safeguards to minimize damage to the environment and ensuring the ability to contain leaks within minutes.

In the District's case, the proposed TransCanada/Keystone Pipeline has already provided additional jobs for local contractors and engineers in our area. We fully lend our support of their project and look forward to working with them in the near future.

Respectfully.

Ned Parpart, President

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c: Paul Phillips, TC Energy Glasgow Chamber of Commerce