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PUBLIC NOTICE

Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's Cumulative Impact Assessment for Line 3

(MN PUC e-docket for Enbridge's certificate of need application at 14-916 and
Enbridge's route permit application at 15-137)

November 13, 2017

Notice is given for the public to comment on the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe's Cumulative Impact Assessment for large infrastructure projects, which at this time is focused on Enbridge's proposed Line 3 Replacement route and the old Line 3 pipeline abandonment along the Highway 2 mainline corridor. The Minnesota Chippewa Tribe (MCT) has been working in partnership with *Honor the Earth*, and including collaborators from the Chippewa bands, present this draft of the Tribal Cumulative Impact Assessment hereby referred to as the **Anishinaabeg Cumulative Impact Assessment** (ACIA) regarding the proposed Line 3 Replacement Project by Enbridge Energy. Here is the ACIA link - https://www.mnchippewatribe.org/impact_assessment.html

The Anishinabe-centric Cumulative Impact Assessment (ACIA) will provide a more complete social-environmental analysis for the Chippewa bands, especially the five (5) bands which have intervened in the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) Line 3 pipeline permitting proceedings; Red Lake, White Earth, Fond du Lac, Leech Lake, and Mille Lacs. This ACIA is our natural resource evaluation tool providing the foundational environmental framework to properly assess all social, environmental and economic impacts from proposed large infrastructure projects which affect treaty protected Chippewa tribal resources upon which our communities and tribal members rely. Comments may be submitted by email to ACIAComments@mnchippewatribe.org.

The ACIA is intended to be a living document, capable of adapting to the changing needs of tribal communities facing large infrastructure projects with

wide environmental impacts on and of reservation. It is, first and foremost, Anishinaabe-centric with an emphasis on the Anishinaabe worldview and value system. The ACIA will essentially compensate for the incomplete environmental protection laws of Minnesota and their Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), to more completely identify present and future impacts to tribal resources and environmental justice. The ACIA is publicly posted and available on the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe website at https://www.mnchippewatribe.org/impact_assessment.html and www.honorearth.org for a 60 day comment period, ending on Friday, December 15, 2017.

Public Hearings to gather community input, cultural concerns for traditional activities regarding impacts to our health and environment, on and off reservation, to help build and improve the ACIA will be held. The first Public Hearing is scheduled for October 18, 2017 **White Earth** Shooting Star, Mahnomen, with additional hearings to be announced.

Band members are encouraged and the public is invited to attend the hearings to submit written or oral comments on the ACIA. Again, the ACIA will be available for review on https://www.mnchippewatribe.org/impact_assessment.html, and hard copies will be made available for review at tribal offices and Public Hearings for public review. Additionally, tribal experts are encouraged to submit health data, community statistics, and other data and information at these hearings as well. Everyone is welcome, from all communities and are encouraged to attend and comment, to help fully identify and address the full spectrum of impacts and concerns.

Michael Northbird, Environmental Program Manager for Minnesota Chippewa Tribe serves as coordinator for the ACIA electronic posting and comments web process and may be reached at 15542 State 371 NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633 of via telephone at his office: 218-335-8581 ext.128. ACIA Environmental review and coordination will be coordinated by the participating Chippewa Bands.

As future Public Hearing dates and places are confirmed, notice will posted on the MCT website, tribal websites, the MN PUC e-docket for Enbridge's certificate of need application at 14-916 and Enbridge's route permit application at 15-137 and at www.honorearth.org and Facebook.