

To whom it may concern:

I ask that the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources promptly process and approve the permits required for Enbridge's Line 5 Wisconsin Segment Replacement Project (Docket Number IP-NO-2020-2-N00471) to move forward.

The relocation of a segment of Line 5 is needed in order to remove the pipeline from the Bad River Reservation while maintaining the safe transportation of essential energy used by northern Wisconsin and the region. The proposed route maintains service of Line 5 in a corridor that avoids sensitive resources that other routes would impact such as Copper Falls State Park, Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, and a crossing of the Namekagon River.

Enbridge's Line 5 Wisconsin Segment Relocation Project has been designed to minimize impacts on wetlands and waterbodies. Nearly all of the wetland impacts are temporary, and the wetlands will be restored following construction. Enbridge has developed multiple plans and procedures that detail best management practices to be used during construction to minimize impacts. Examples include:

- Using timber mats to limit wetland disturbance,
- Installing erosion control devices, and
- Utilizing site-specific waterbody crossing methods.

Line 5 has been safely transporting essential fuels across Wisconsin since 1953. Moving a segment of the pipeline off the Bad River Band of Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians to the route Enbridge has proposed will ensure uninterrupted service of this critical energy supply.

Sincerely,

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