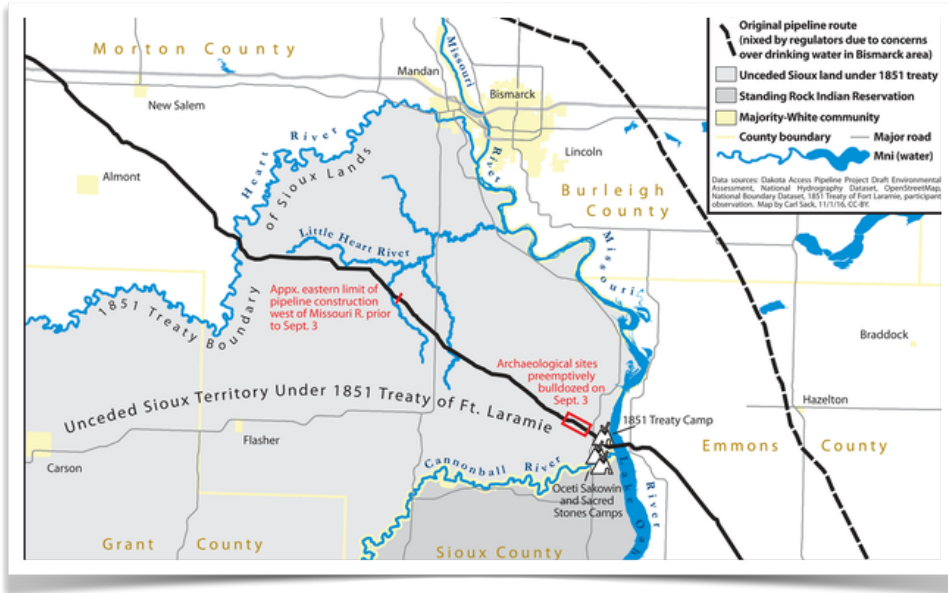


Dakota Access Pipeline



Who?

The Dakota Access Pipeline was a war of protests and legal battles between the Dakota Access Pipeline, LLC, the Sioux nation and the US government.

Where?

The Dakota Access Pipeline or Bakken pipeline is a 1,172-mile-long underground oil pipeline in the United States. It begins in the shale oil fields of the Bakken formation in northwest North Dakota and continues through South Dakota and Iowa to an oil terminal near Patoka, Illinois. (Dakota Access Pipeline)

A better outcome

Ultimately a better outcome would have costed a substantial amount of money. It would also be a major delay in the end of construction date.

What Happened?

The Dakota Access Pipeline was a new plan proposed in June of 2014 by Dakota Access, LLC, controlled by Energy Transfer Partners. The plan showed that this would be the safest and most advanced pipeline yet, the original proposal had the pipeline running just east of Bismarck. This was shut down because citizens began to protest. The result of this was a new plan that would move the pipeline west of Bismarck which meant laying it through Sioux territory. This caused the Sioux nation to band together and rise in a protest their efforts weren't enough. June 14, 2016, a federal judge ruled the necessary permits for the pipeline to be constructed upstream from the Standing Rock reservation, and through the Missouri River.

Why did this happen?

One reason for the rerouting of the pipeline moving was because of Government officials changing. In 2016 it changed from the Obama administration to the Trump administration.

Yet another reason the pipeline was rerouted is due to the fact that the original plan would have been within 500 feet of homes this wouldn't have met PSC requirements

Lastly, even after the plan was approved and construction began there was still talk of rerouting it. To accommodate the Sioux Nation but this was shot down due to how much it would cost to pull the pipeline.

