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Dear Relative and Friend,

As you know, in 2016 and '17, the eyes of the world focused on the Standing Rock Nation, where I and 8,500 fellow Tribal citizens live. At that time, tens of thousands of people like you engaged with our movement to stop the Dakota Access pipeline (DAPL). You were aware and kind enough to provide financial support to our movement, and I can't thank you enough. You helped propel our resistance into the international spotlight, and your contribution gave this movement momentum that has carried through to the present day. That's extra important right now, because we may have our best opportunity to end DAPL once and for all.

Finally, after more than a year and half of unacceptable delays, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has released DAPL's draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for public comment, and we hope we can count on your support once again! Please stand with Standing Rock in this critical moment. Your gift now can help us mount new legal challenges and flood the Army Corps of Engineers with public comments demanding the shut-down of this pipeline and a new and valid EIS. Please visit StandingRock.org/give, scan the QR code below, or use the enclosed envelope to donate to the fight to remove DAPL from our sacred lands.

The draft EIS confirms everything we expected when we examined a heavily redacted version provided to us months ago. Partially prepared by Environmental Resources Management, a company with a clear conflict of interest (it's a member of the American Petroleum Institute, which filed a legal brief in support of DAPL in our suit against the Army Corps), the draft EIS addresses none of Standing Rock's serious concerns about this dangerous pipeline.

We're leaving no stone unturned in our challenge to DAPL and its sham of an environmental review. In addition to the public comment campaign and intended legal action, we've activated political allies and taken a firm stance with the Army Corps. Earlier this year, four U.S. Senators, including Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) and Jeff Merkley (D-Ore.), backed Standing Rock by writing a powerfully worded letter to the Corps. I also wrote my own letter to Michael Connor, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, in which I made clear our critical concerns and demanded redress.



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My letter to the Corps clearly outlines the Tribe’s many valid grievances. Those includes the Army Corp’s total lack of transparency with Standing Rock throughout the environmental review process, inaccurate characterizations of tribal consultation, the potential destruction of sensitive wildlife habitat and sacred burial sites along the riverbank, DAPL’s imminent threat to the Missouri River, dangerous problems with DAPL parent company Energy Transfer’s emergency response plans, and the oil company’s horrendous safety track record.

In addition to giving generously a few years back, many of you traveled to my homelands to join an unprecedented coalition of Tribal Nations from all over the country, non-Native leaders, veterans, activists, and artists at our resistance camps, highlighting for the world the insanity of forcing dangerous fossil fuel infrastructure onto the doorstep of a vulnerable Indigenous community. We built a real and powerful movement that centered Indigenous voices in the battle to defeat DAPL and protect Unci Maka, our Grandmother Earth.

That battle continues. The public comment period is slated to end on Nov. 13, so timing is critical in mounting an effective advocacy campaign. Before you do anything else today, please join us in this important moment by supporting the Standing Rock Nation and our resistance on behalf of the generations to come.

Best Regards,

Janet Alkire, Chairwoman
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe