

I am going to let people more knowledgeable than I speak to the significant cultural, historic, economic and environmental hazards of this proposed pipeline. I will speak of one environmental issue with which I am personally familiar.

I live on the banks of the Rockfish River somewhat above the village of Schuyler. I am downstream of the pipeline crossing of the river in all of the possible scenarios in Nelson County. I cannot help but be aware that the river behind my house turns chocolate (or maybe café au lait) brown after any significant rainfall. Soil erosion and river siltation are definite problems in the Rockfish River watershed.

I am concerned that construction along and under the Rockfish River will increase both siltation and erosion. Furthermore, the need to eliminate trees in the permanent right of way and collateral damage to other vegetation may make the increased run-off permanent.

Please address the loss of valuable soil in the County and the decreased health of the Rockfish River in your impact studies.

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