



### THE OPPOSITION PLAYBOOK

- All strategy and tactics are driven by ideology
- The fundamental ideology of the core opposition groups is an opposition to fossil fuels and to hydraulic fracturing
- At their core their opposition is fundamental
  - they want to stop these projects



# BLOCKING – ROUTING CHALLENGES



- STRATEGY stop the pipeline before it starts
- TACTIC focus on preventing survey during the planning phase
- Printed signs and materials show early organization and support



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### **PROTEST EVENTS**

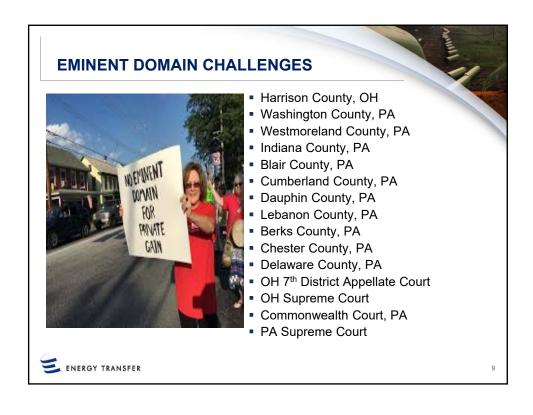


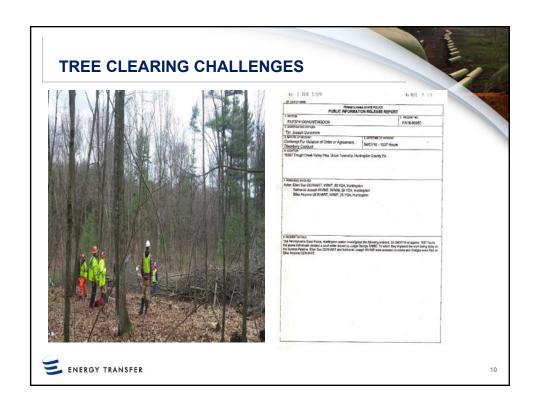
- TACTIC Protest events at court houses scheduled for day of hearing
  - Attempt to influence judges
  - Also messaging and recruitment
- Groups sought landowners willing to challenge survey access and eminent domain
  - Still less than 10% condemnation
- Clean Air Council signs are abundant – focus at this point was on survey access
- Trying to stop the project at the earliest point and organize a grass roots opposition

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# SURVEY ACCESS CHALLENGES - Washington County - Westmoreland County - Blair County - Huntingdon County - Cumberland County - Dauphin County - Dauphin County - Lebanon County - Berks County - Chester County - Chester County - Delaware County





### **WELL ORGANIZED**



TACTIC - Rapid involvement of statewide opposition groups

Heavy use of social media to organize protest events

Shifting message away from eminent domain and to safety



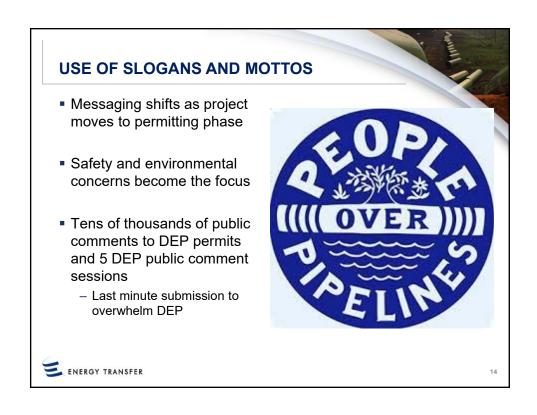
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# TACKLING CONSTRUCTION CHALLENGES

- STRATEGY Stop the pipeline by preventing construction
- Challenge/appeal permits
  - Delay organized public comment and opposition
  - Intervention
  - Appeal
    - Regulatory: FERC and state utility commission
    - Environmental: erosion and sedimentation, stream and wetland, air, stormwater
    - Transportation: driveway, highway occupancy, heavy haul, road use
    - Local: zoning, noise, hours of operation
      - Seek to enforce in trial courts with injunctive relief
  - Seek stay or supersedeas pending appeal







### **PERMIT APPEALS**



- Permits issued 2/13/17
- 3 permit appeals filed
- 2 by individual landowners
- 1 by Clean Air Council, Delaware Riverkeeper and Mountain Watershed Association
  - Filed within 24 hours
  - Also sought supersedeas and temporary supersedeas
     denied 3/3/17 after 3 day hearing
  - Refiled for supersedeas and temporary supersedeas re HDDs - 7/19/17
  - Stipulated settlement on supersedeas re HDDs -8/9/17

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### **ZONING CHALLENGES**



- 2 suits alleging that construction violated local zoning setbacks
  - Chester County
  - Delaware County
  - Both courts
     dismissed on
     preliminary
     objections based on
     preemption
  - Both cases on appeal

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# OTHER PERMITTING CHALLENGES

- Local Stormwater Permitting Thornbury Township, Delaware County
- Electrical Permit Thornbury Township, Delaware County
- PennDOT HOP Permitting 2 in Thornbury Township, Delaware County



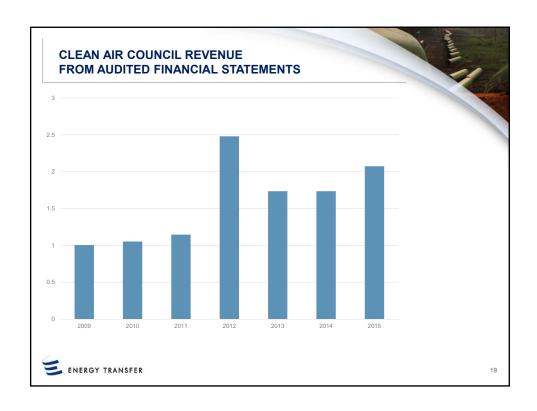
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### THE HIDDEN MESSAGE ALWAYS COMES THROUGH

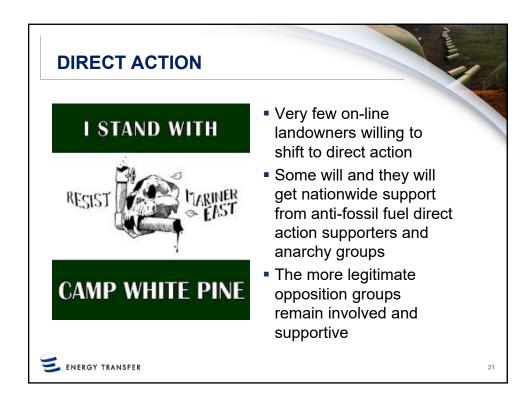


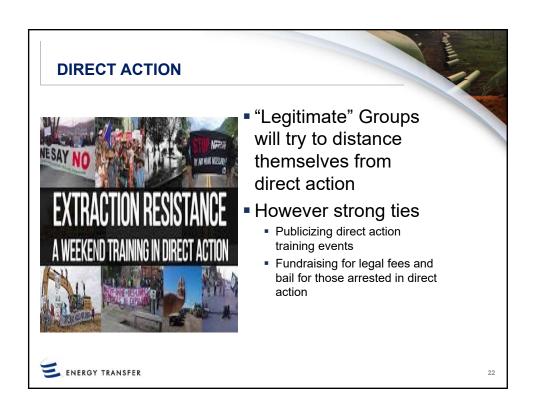
- "The purpose of the pipeline is for Sunoco to make money off the byproducts of fracking and that is the end of it"
- "If you find out that a pipeline company wants to build a pipeline in your community the first thing you should know is you cannot take their word on anything."
- "They don't play by the same set of rules that we do . . . enough is enough."
- Accusations were indirect this was the only time he broadened to pipelines in general
- Clean Air Council Attorney Alex Bomstein, Mariner East Episode 5, You Tube Published June 26, 2017

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## BALL CONTROL – GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC RELATIONS CHALLENGES



- STRATEGY when construction is underway stop the pipeline through legislation or regulation
- Tactic regular protest events targeted to government
- Tactic intensive use of social media now targeted at elected officials



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- "No Fracking Fossils"
- The underlying ideology is ever present
- Industry has to be out ahead of the opposition on information and education



### **HEAVY USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA**



- Safety oriented messaging
  - PTA meetings in schools
  - Safety component of public messaging
- "This is why we fight, this is the fight of mothers, of Mama Bears, to protect our children. We're not saying not in my back yard, move it to someone else's back yard, we're saying this should not happen any time, anywhere, any place."
  - Eve Miari Mariner East Episode 7 You Tube Published 7/3/17
- Strategic goal of stopping the pipeline is always part of the messaging





# SUMMARY OF OPPOSITION STRATEGY

- Coordination
  - Including liaison with "fringe" groups
- · Pooling of resources
  - Combination of environmental groups on EHB appeal
- Well funded
- · Opposition improves fundraising
- Communication
- Strategic
  - Challenge from the beginning
  - Shift the message to address the current project phase
- Multi-fronted
- Ideologically driven



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# STAY ON POINT WITH YOUR MESSAGE

- Be respectful but recognize ideological differences
- These infrastructure projects benefit the public
- Direct benefits in revenue and jobs
  - American made products and organized labor
- Indirect benefits in community support
- Cheaper and more reliable sources of energy
- Safest method of transportation of energy that we all use
- More environmentally sensitive construction methods (HDD)





