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(Neb.)-Neb. Speakers Split Time For, Against Pipeline



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ALBION, Neb. (AP) - Speakers split the time available at a hearing concerning a new oil pipeline route through Nebraska.

More than 160 people signed up to address the packed hearing in Albion on Tuesday. The public hearing was expected to be the only one on the Keystone XL pipeline route TransCanada wants to use in carrying crude oil to the Gulf Coast.

TransCanada's Corey Goulet told the assembly that the company thought Nebraska's review of the \$7 billion, 1,700-mile project was good and the project should be approved.

But Oglala Lakota Nation Vice President Tom Poor Bear followed Goulet to the microphone to say that if the pipeline were to leak and oil were to get "in the water, our water is no good."