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Subject: Nexus Pipeline Settlement

Thank you to the administration and council for defending the citizens most directly affected by the Nexus project and allowing them time to affect what I hope is a fair settlement. The administration and city leaders deserve much credit for preparing and filing a detailed plan to re-route the pipeline that should have been giving a more serious review at the federal level.

As you consider this settlement, please consider my concerns. Based on comments at last night's meeting there is at least a conceptual plan to replace lost sports fields. Those plans should be fast tracked and become reality.

The city noted throughout its opposition to the pipeline, that the route takes it through or in very close proximity to, sensitive wetlands, bogs, and a reservoir. Most of the route is through areas where homeowners operate and maintain wells as the primary water source. Construction accidents or simply poor construction resulting in spills and environmental damage happen. You need to only go as far as Tuscarawas County to find an example that's resulted in damage, threats to the City of Canton's water supply, and fines. The city should set aside funds to deal with the unexpected. It should also insist that the Nexus have emergency response plan and also have equipment and supplies staged to deal with an environmental event. Failure to quickly contain and control events such as spills and excessive sediment runoff could result in irreversible damage to water supplies that is only corrected with an expensive water line project, and damage to the environment that \$7,500,000 cannot correct.

The road from this point is full of challenges. If you approve this settlement, please continue to be an effective watchdog on this project for the citizens of Green.

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