



Shut Down ... Enbridge Line 5

Calling All Kayaktivists!!!

PIPE OUT PADDLE PROTEST

FLOTILLA & LABOR DAY

BRIDGE WALK



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FLOTILLA PROTEST Sunday September 06, 2015 9am-6pm

LABOR DAY BRIDGE WALK Monday Sept. 07, 2015 7am-11am

Meet Nicolet & Huron Streets, Mackinac Lighthouse Park, Mackinaw city, MI

Participate in Protest @Annual Labor Day Bridge Walk



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Enbridge Line 5

From Superior, Wisconsin

To Sarnia, Ontario

General information

Commissioned 1953

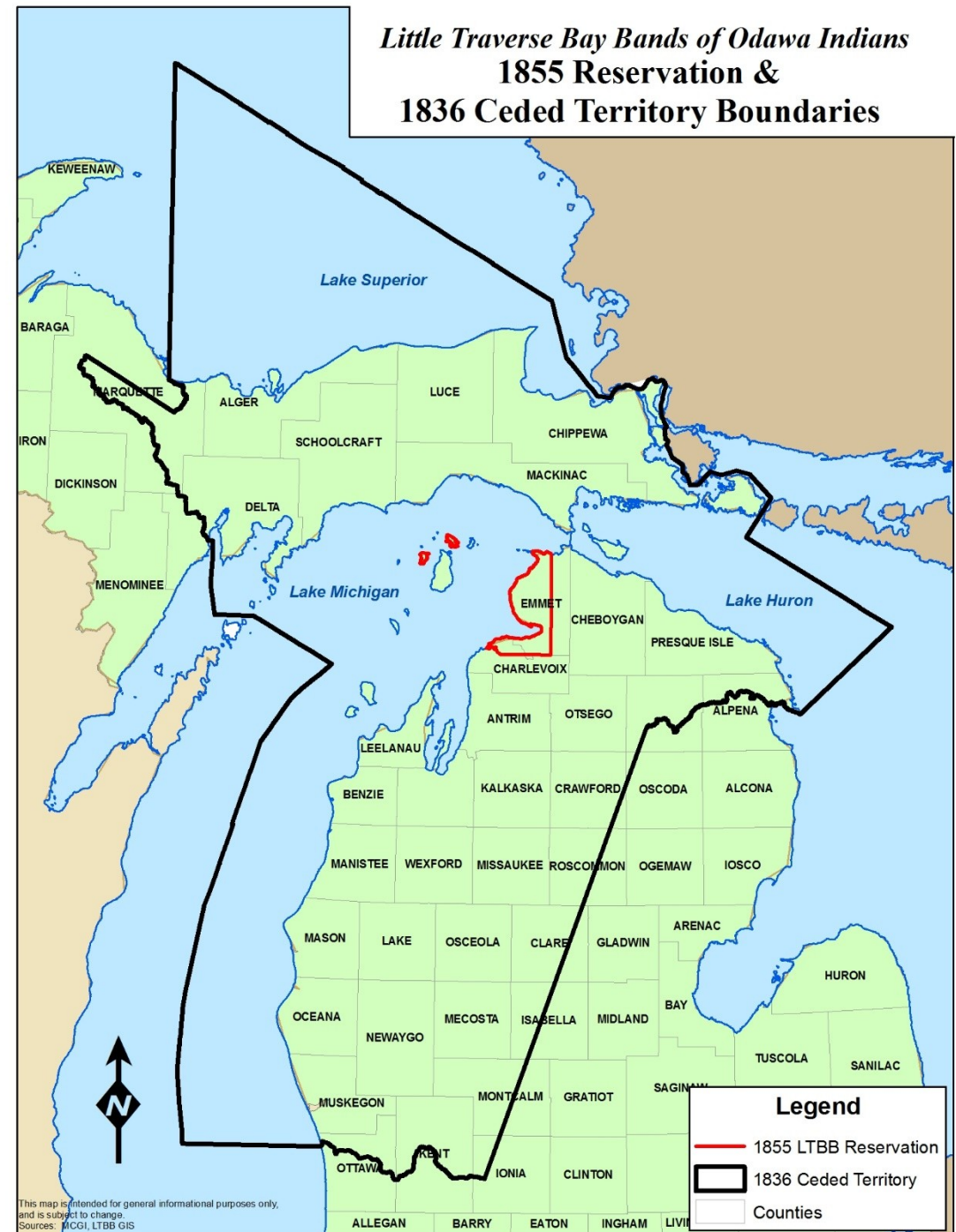
Technical information

Length 1,098 mi (1,767 km)

Diameter 30 in (762 mm)

Enbridge Line 5 is a major oil pipeline in the Enbridge Lakehead System, which conveys petroleum from western Canada to eastern Canada via the Great Lakes states. Line 5 is particularly notable for passing under the environmentally sensitive Straits of Mackinac, which connect Lake Michigan to Lake Huron.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians commercial fishing waters would be directly effected when a leak or break in Enbridge Line 5 occurs. Our sovereignty and fishing rights are at risk because of this pipeline.





Vicki and I singing at an event in Mackinaw City. I was asked to speak as well... that day I decided to take action.



Got the idea to do a flotilla after seeing The Paddle in Seattle, Shell no protest. What better way to advocate, raise awareness than to take to the water we are trying to protect.

The first Pipe Out Paddle Protest was held in 2015 Labor Day weekend. It was a collaborative effort between non-profit environmentally minded organizations, tribes and Michigan voters.

Our goal was to raise awareness of the pipeline and educate others on the threat it poses to the drinking water of some 40 million residents in Michigan.



MiCATS made the signage and had the challenge of how to hold up these signs on open water. They did a trial run down state and then brought them up to the protest weekend.



Desmond Berry,
head of the Grand
Traverse Band's
Natural Resource
Department even
brought his gnome
from home.





We bought some blue cotton cloth to fashion water Wear and gave it out to participants before the beginning of the Rally and march through Mackinaw City.



One of the blue cloths made it all the way out to Standing Rock and was tied to the fence there.



We had a grab-n-go food station with fresh fruits and veggies from area organic farmers. In addition to a hydration station.





There were people from Canada and other states..





In an effort to bring National awareness to Enbridge Line 5 we engaged the American Indian Center in Chicago and Chicago's Food and Water Watch office to do an event in solidarity with us.





As it stands now, the majority of tribes in the state of Michigan have signed or made resolutions and statements to have Enbridge Line 5 decommissioned. Many tribal citizens voice their concerns by attending the State's Pipeline Safety Board mtgs. The CORA (Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority) tribes may have a lawsuit pending against the state.