

Pipeline protest arrests strain North Dakota's court system

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — The hundreds of arrests during the months of protests against the Dakota Access oil pipeline in North Dakota have created an unprecedented burden for the state's court system, which faces huge cost overruns and doesn't have enough judges, lawyers and clerks to handle the workload.

Police have made nearly 575 arrests since August during clashes at the protesters' main camp along the pipeline route in southern North Dakota and at protests in and around the state capital, Bismarck, about 50 miles to the north. That's far more arrests than these areas typically deal with and it could lead to delays in bringing cases to trial, experts say.

"We don't have sufficient judges to get all of those cases heard in a timely fashion," said Sally Holewa,

North Dakota's state court administrator.

The state judicial system will ask the Legislature next year for an additional \$1.5 million to cover protest-related costs. That amounts to about 1 1/2 percent of its current two-year budget.

"This is a first," Holewa said. "The judicial branch has never had to ask for a deficiency appropriation in its history," which dates back more than a century.

The protest-related cases also are putting a pinch on the organization that provides public defenders in North Dakota. The Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents might seek an additional \$670,000 from the Legislature, which amounts to about 3 1/2 percent of its current two-year budget, according to its executive director, H. Jean Delaney.

"It is highly unusual," Delaney said. "We did make a



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In this Nov. 26 file photo, organizers of protests against construction of the Dakota Access oil pipeline speak at a news conference near Cannon Ball, N.D.

(similar) request once before, during the oil boom, in the 2013-15 biennium. It's kind of interesting — it was kind of a similar situation, where court cases really grew."

The commission has accepted more than 225

protest-related cases. They are being handled by 65 defense attorneys, and the commission is seeking more.

South Central District Court, where the cases are being handled, didn't immediately have data on the

total number of cases or any backlogs. However, Holewa said the sheer volume of cases raises concerns about the defendants' right to a speedy trial and due process.

"Any time justice is unduly delayed, it causes issues," she said. "You have issues with people's memories, and (in this case) you also have people from out of state — not just those charged, but also police officers from out of state. All of that makes it essential that we try to get these cases heard timely."

The \$3.8 billion pipeline to carry North Dakota oil to a shipping point in Illinois is nearly complete, aside from a stretch beneath a Missouri River reservoir in southern North Dakota.

People from around the country have taken up the tribe's cause, with thousands of them congregating at the protest camp.

Fewer than 8 percent of the protesters who have been arrested are from North Dakota, according to the Morton County Sheriff's Office. Nearly one-fourth are from the West Coast.

Most of the cases are being handled in state court. The federal court system apparently is feeling an impact, however. In court documents requesting a delay in an unconnected case, Assistant U.S. Attorney Gary Delorme told the judge that protests were "consuming significant time and attention."

U.S. Attorney Chris Myers declined to say how many cases the federal court system is handling.

Several pipeline protesters are suing Morton County, the city of Mandan and North Dakota law enforcement officials in federal court in Bismarck, saying their civil rights were violated during a clash with authorities.



Sean Kilpatrick/The Canadian Press via AP
Prime Minister Justin Trudeau arrives to a press conference at the National Press Theatre in Ottawa Tuesday.

Canada PM approves controversial pipeline to Pacific Coast

TORONTO (AP) — Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on Tuesday approved one controversial pipeline from the Alberta oil sands to the Pacific Coast, but rejected another.

He approved Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline to the Vancouver suburb of Burnaby, British Columbia, but rejected Enbridge's Northern Gateway pipeline to Kitimat, B.C.

These are the first major pipeline decisions for Trudeau, whose Liberal government is trying to balance the oil industry's desire to tap new markets in Asia with environmentalists' concerns.

"The project will triple our capacity to get Canadian energy resources to international markets beyond the United States," Trudeau said at an Ottawa news conference. "We took this decision today because we believe it is in the best interests of Canada."

Alberta, which has the world's third largest oil reserves, needs infrastructure in place to export its growing oil sands production. Approving Trans Mountain helps diversify Canada's oil exports. Ninety-seven percent of Canadian oil exports now go to the U.S.

"We are getting a chance to sell to China and other new markets at better prices," Alberta Premier Rachel Notley said. "And we're getting a chance to reduce our dependence on one market and therefore be more economically independent."

Houston-based Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline expansion to Vancouver Harbour in Burnaby will increase the capacity of an existing pipeline from 300,000 to 890,000 barrels per day.

But there remains opposition to the Trans Mountain pipeline in British Columbia, the birthplace of the Greenpeace environmental movement. There is no guarantee it will get built despite Trudeau's approval as it faces strong opposition from environmentalists and indigenous leaders. Vancouver, B.C. Mayor Gregor Robertson said he was profoundly disappointed by Trudeau's decision and said it would bring seven times the number of oil tankers to Vancouver.

Interim federal opposition Conservative leader Rona Ambrose said she supports the Kinder Morgan pipeline

expansion, but doubts it will be built because of the opposition.

Trudeau rejected the Northern Gateway project to northwest British Columbia which passes through the Great Bear Rainforest. Northern Gateway would have transported 525,000 barrels of oil a day from Alberta's oil sands to the Pacific to deliver oil to Asia, mainly energy-hungry China.

About 220 large oil tankers a year would have visited the Pacific coast town of Kitimat. The fear of oil spills is especially acute in the pristine corner of northwest British Columbia, with its snowcapped mountains and deep ocean inlets. Canadians living there still remember the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill off an Alaska export hub. 1989.

Trudeau also promised to introduce legislation for a moratorium on crude oil tanker shipping on B.C.'s north coast.

"The Great Bear Rainforest is no place for a pipeline and the Douglas Channel is no place for oil tanker traffic," Trudeau said.

Northern Gateway was approved by the previous Conservative government but a federal appeals court blocked it, ruling that aboriginal communities had not been adequately consulted. That put the decision on Northern Gateway in Trudeau's hands.

Trudeau also approved a lesser known Enbridge pipeline replacement called Line 3 that will carry oil from Alberta to the U.S. Midwest. That pipeline will carry oil from Alberta, through northern Minnesota to Superior, Wisconsin. The Line 3 project would double the existing pipeline's volume to 760,000 barrels a day.

Notley said Trans Mountain and Line 3 are critical to the oil-rich province's economic future.

The importance of Trudeau's decisions on pipelines only grew after the Obama administration turned down TransCanada's Keystone XL pipeline that would have taken Alberta oil to the U.S. Gulf Coast. President-elect Donald Trump has expressed support for Keystone XL.

Trudeau noted that more oil would end up being transported by rail if more pipelines are not built. There have been a number of accidents involving oil trains during the past decade.

Wednesday Morning

STATION	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
FOX	11 KFFX	11 AgDay	Hot/ Cleve.	Good Day Spokane			Paid	Brain	Steve Harvey		Crime Watch Daily	
FOX	KPTV	3 Good Day Oregon at 6	Good Day Oregon				Good Day		The 700 Club		Rachael Ray (N)	
CBS	19 KEPR	2 News	News	CBS This Morning Bob Gates, Dick Costolo (N)			Harry (N)		The Price Is Right		Young & Restless	
CBS	KOIN	19 KOIN 6 News at 6 a.m.	CBS This Morning Bob Gates, Dick Costolo (N)				Let's Make a Deal		The Price Is Right		Young & Restless	
NBC	25 KNDU	6 Wake Up Northwest	Today Show Jonathan Scott, Drew Scott				Today Show II (N)		Today Show III (N)		Million? Million?	
NBC	KGW	8 KGW News at Sunrise	Today Show Jonathan Scott, Drew Scott				Today Show III (N)		Today Show III (N)		Portland Today	
ABC	42 KVEW	4 Northwest	Northwest	Good Morning America (N)			Live! With Kelly (N)		The View		Paid	Middle
ABC	KATU	5 KATU News Morning	Good Morning America (N)				AM Northwest		The View		Live! With Kelly (N)	
PBS	31 KTNW	Stretch	W.L.Yoga	Wild Kratts Jet Go!	Nature Cat	C.George	D.Tiger	D.Tiger	SplashB.	Sesame St.	DinoTrain	Sit and Fit
PBS	59 OPB	13 Power	Jet Go!	Nature Cat	C.George	D.Tiger	D.Tiger	SplashB.	Sesame St.	DinoTrain	Peg + Cat	SuperWI

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AFTERNOON

STATION	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
FOX	11 KFFX	11 Paid	Pat. Court	Divorce	Divorce	Judge Mathis	The People's Court		2 1/2 Men	Mike&M.	Last Man	Last Man
FOX	KPTV	3 12 O'Clock News	Wendy Williams			The Dr. Oz Show (N)	TMZ Live!		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	5 O'Clock News	
CBS	19 KEPR	2 NameG.	Bold & B.	The Talk (N)		Let's Make a Deal	Dr. Phil (N)		Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	News
CBS	KOIN	19 News	Bold & B.	The Talk (N)		The Doctors (N)	Dr. Phil (N)		KOIN 6 News at 4 p.m.		News	News
NBC	25 KNDU	6 Wilderness	Voyager	Days of Our Lives		Hot Bench	Hot Bench		Wendy Williams		News	NBC News
NBC	KGW	8 KGW New	Paid	Days of Our Lives		T.D. Jakes (N)			Ellen DeGeneres (N)		KGW News	KGW News
ABC	42 KVEW	4 The Chew		General Hospital		The Doctors (N)			Rachael Ray (N)		Minute	Minute
ABC	KATU	5 The Chew		General Hospital		Harry (N)			Afternoon Live		KATU News @ 4	News
PBS	31 KTNW	Charlie Rose		Mexican	F&Porter	Stretch	Thomas		Nature Cat	Jet Go!	Odd Squad	Odd Squad
PBS	59 OPB	13 Paint		Cooking	Charlie Rose	Nature Cat	Bob Build		Cat/ Hat	Jet Go!	Speaks	WordGirl

EVENING

STATION	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	
FOX	11 KFFX	11 Modern Family "Best Men"	Modern Family "The Wow Factor"	Girls "And the Psychic Shakedown"	2 Broke G. "And the Rich People Problems"	Lethal Weapon "Can I Get a Witness?" (N)	Empire Cookie asks Candace for tips on how to plan a dinner that will impress Angelo's mother.		FOX News First at Ten		:35 Law & O: CI	When a judge's son is murdered, detectives suspect a rapper is responsible for the crime.	:35 Anger M. "Charlie Cops a Feel"
FOX	KPTV	3 6 O'Clock News	Family Feud	Family Feud	Lethal Weapon "Can I Get a Witness?" (N)	Empire "What We May Be" (N)			10 O'Clock News		11 O'Clock News	2 Broke Girls	
CBS	19 KEPR	2 Action News at 6 p.m.	Inside Edition	The Big Bang "The Fuzzy Boots Corollary"	The Simpsons "Let's Go Fly a Coot"	Survivor: Millennials vs. Gen X "About to Have a Rumble" (N)	C.Minds The team opens an investigation when a man fully believes he's Dr. Lewis's brother.		C Black Willis, Leanne and Jesse operate on an officer with an explosive bullet in her leg. (N)		Action News at 11:00 p.m.	:35 Stephen Colbert	
CBS	KOIN	19 KOIN Local 6 at 6	Evening News	Extra	Ent. Tonight	Survivor "About to Have a Rumble" (N)	Criminal Minds "Mirror Image" (N)		Code Black "Sleight of Hand" (N)		KOIN 6 News/ 11	:35 S. Colbert	
NBC	25 KNDU	6 Local News	Family Feud	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Christmas The 84th annual lighting of the Rockefeller Christmas Tree is celebrated. (N)	¶ Dolly Parton's Christmas of Many Colors: Circle of Love (16, Bio) Ricky Schroder, Jennifer Nettles. Christmas is in peril as an unexpected blizzard threatens the Parton family. (P)		Local News		:35 The Tonight Show		
NBC	KGW	8 KGW News at 6:00 p.m.	Live at 7	Inside Edition	Christmas in Rockefeller Center (N)	¶ Dolly Parton's Christmas of Many Colors: Circle of Love			KGW News		:35 Tonight at 11		
ABC	42 KVEW	4 Extra	Local News at 6:30	Entertainment Tonight	The Insider	The Goldbergs (N)	Speechless (N)		Designa. A national emergency causes Kirkman to consider canceling the house elections.		News /:05 Kimmel	Guests include Matthew Broderick, T.I., William Hayes, & Butch Walker.	
ABC	KATU	5 KATU News at 6	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Goldberg (N)	Speechless (N)	Modern Family (N)		Designated Survivor "The Results" (N)		KATU News	:35 Jimmy Kimmel	
PBS	31 KTNW		PBS NewsHour	This Land Is Your Land (My Music)		The Highwaymen Live at Nassau Coliseum			To Catch a Comet		Charlie Rose		
PBS	59 OPB	13 Journeys in Japan	Nightly Business	PBS NewsHour	Nature "Giraffes: Africa's Gentle Giants"		American Experience "Tesla"				Age Reversed		

STATION	PEN	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
A&E	52	The First 48 "Love Kills/ Chasing Shadows"	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck D./:05 Duck D.	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dyn.	Going Sir-	Wahlbur-	:35 Duck	:05 Duck	:35 Duck	
AMC	60	¶ Runaway...	¶ ★★ Enchanted Julie Andrews. A fairytale princess is sent to our world by an evil queen and meets a handsome lawyer.	¶ ★★ Monster-in-Law is determined to ruin her son's marriage before it gets started.	¶ ★★ Yes Man								
ANPL	24	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	Treehouse Masters	
CMT	43	¶ ★★ Invincible Greg Kinnear.	Broken Skull	Challenge	¶ ★★ Invincible '06, Dra) Mark Wahlberg, Greg Kinnear.	Roseanne	Roseanne						
CNBC	72	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage (N)	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	Jay Leno's Garage	
CNN	68	Anderson Cooper 360	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	CNN Tonight	
DISC	51	Bushcraft "Appliances"	Bushcraft "Shelter"	Bushcraft "Transportation"	Bushcraft "Power" (N)	Legend Croc Gold (N)	Bush "Raised Wild"						
DISN	26	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	C'mas Light Fight (N)	¶ Cloud 9 Dove Cameron.	:40 Liv Mad	:05 Lodge	StuckMid	Liv Maddie	Friends			
ESPN	33	:15 NCAA Basketball ACC/ Big-10 Challenge North Carolina at Indiana Site: Assembly Hall (L)	:15 SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	:15 NCAA Basketball ACC/ Big-10 Challenge (L)	:15 Coll. Basketball (L)	30 for 30 "Survive and Advance"									
FNC	66	The Kelly File	Hannity	The O'Reilly Factor	The Kelly File	Hannity							
FOOD	61	Baking "Stuffed Puffs"	Kids Baking Champion	Kids Sweets Show (N)	Cooks vs. Cons (N)	Cooks vs. Cons	Holiday Baking						
FREE	32	Middle	Middle	¶ ★★ Jingle All the Way	¶ National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation	The 700 Club							
FX	65	¶ ★★ The Wolverine (13, Act) Hugh Jackman.	¶ ★★ Star Trek: Into Darkness (13, Sci-Fi) Chris Pine.	¶ Star Trek: Into Da...									
GOLF	88	PGA Golf Australian Championship Round 1 Site: Royal Pines Resort -- Queensland, Australia (L)	PGA Golf Australian Championship										
GSN	76	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	Fam. Feud	
HALL	87	¶ Christmas List (16, Rom) Alicia Witt.	¶ My Christmas Dream	Danica McKellar.	¶ Christmas in Homestead	Taylor Cole.							
HGTV	62	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	Property Brothers	
HIST	50	Vikings "Death All Round"	Vikings "The Last Ship"	Vikings "Recap Special" (N)	Vikings "The Outsider" (N)	Real Vikings "Age of Invasion"	:05 Vikings "The Outsider"						
LIFE	29	Little Women: Dallas	Little Women: Dallas	Women Dallas (N)	Little Weddings (N)	Little W. Dallas (N)	Remini: Scientology						
NICK	27	H.Danger	H.Danger	Paradise	The Thundermans	Thunder	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends "The Last One"		
ROOT	37	NCAA Basketball Abilene Christian University vs. New Mexico (L)	Seahawk	Poker Night	Poker Heartland Tour	Seahawks	Seahawks	NCAA Basketball Drake vs. DePaul					
SPIKE	42	¶ Saving Private ...	¶ ★★ The Shawshank Redemption (94, Dra) Morgan Freeman, Tim Robbins. A banker is wrongly convicted of a double murder and is sent to prison for life.	¶ The Shawshank Redemption A banker is wrongly convicted of a double murder & is sent to prison for life.									
SYFY	67	¶ ★★ 2012 (09, Act) John Cusack.	¶ ★★ Jurassic Park III (01, Sci-Fi) Sam Neill.	Incorporated (N)	:05 The Magicians								
TBS	59	Seinfeld	Seinf. "The Pool Guy"	Seinf. "The Sponge"	Seinfeld "The Gum"	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	
TCM	56	¶ ★ Best Boy (79, Doc) Philly Wohl.	Sherman's March This general's legacy was built during a five-week campaign of terror and destruction.	¶ 45 Koyaanisqatsi The natural beauty of nature is contrasted with the chaos of modern civilization.	¶ Solei								
TLC	49	Undaunted	My 600-lb Life	600-lb "Paula's Story"	My 600-lb Life "Christina" (N)	TBA	600-lb Life "Christina"						
TNT	57	Bones	Bones "Fire in the Ice"	¶ ★★ Pineapple Express Seth Rogen.	:15 ¶ ★★ Ocean's Twelve George Clooney.								
UNI	21	Includo	Noticiero	La rosa de Guadalupe	Despertar contigo	Vino el amor	El color de la pasion	Impacto	Noticie.				
USA	58	Law & Order: S.V.U.	Law & Order: S.V.U.	Law & Order: S.V.U.	Law & Order: S.V.U.	Law & Order: S.V.U.	Incorporated (N)	:05 Modern	:35 Modern				
WE	118	CSI "Felony Flight"	CSI: Miami	CSI: "Nailed"	CSI: Miami	CSI: "Prey"	CSI "48 Hours to Life"	CSI "Under Suspicion"					
WGN		Salem	Salem	Salem	Salem	Salem	Parks/Rec	Parks/Rec	Parks/Rec	Parks/Rec	Parks/Rec	Parks/Rec	
STZ ENC	644	:10 ¶ ★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End Johnny Depp.	¶ ★★ In and Out Kevin Kline.	:35 ¶ The Object of My Affection									
HBO	518	¶ Eddie the Eagle Taron Egerton.	Vice News	¶ Black Mass (15, Cri) Johnny Depp.	:05 Westworld	:05 Real Sports							
HBO2	520	:05 ¶ ★★ Demolition Man Sylvester Stallone.	Insecure	Divorce	¶ The Boy Next Door	:35 All Def Comedy	Movie						
HBO3	521	Movie	:45 ¶ ★★ Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials Dylan O'Brien.	¶ ★★ I Love You, Man	:45 ¶ Sisters (15, Com) Tina Fey.								
MAX	549	:10 ¶ ★★ Vacation Ed Helms.	:50 ¶ ★★ Knocked Up (07, Com) Seth Rogen.	¶ ★★ Juno Ellen Page.	Movie								