

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Tazewell County Board:

Your Executive Committee has considered the following RESOLUTION and recommends that it be adopted by the Board:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Tazewell County Board has heard public comment, both for and against, the proposal of Wolf Carbon Solutions application with the Illinois Commerce Commission for a Carbon Dioxide Pipeline; and

WHEREAS, the Board has learned the Wolf Solutions proposed pipeline route passes partially through the boundaries of Tazewell County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Board reviewed the carbon dioxide pipeline rupture that occurred on February 22, 2020, in Yazoo County in Satartia, Mississippi where multiple news organizations reported that over 200 people were evacuated and at least 45 other victims were hospitalized as a result of the poisoning. Multiple news outlets reported that a variety of difficulties and challenges existed for the emergency providers as they administered life-saving aid to the victims given the overwhelming concentration of carbon dioxide that existed as a result of the rupture; and

WHEREAS, the Board has heard from a variety our local constituents including, but not limited to, homeowners, farmers, community leaders, school leaders, and business owners who have voiced their concerns related to the negative impact of the proposed carbon dioxide passing through Tazewell County; and

WHEREAS, the Board, as a unit of local government representing the citizens of Tazewell County, has determined that the proposed pipeline may have negative impact on Tazewell County from multiple aspects, including but not limited to public safety, economy, schools, businesses, infrastructure, water supply and an increased burden on our first-responders; and

WHEREAS, the Board views the safety and well-being of all persons in Tazewell County as a priority, which centers around protecting the citizens of our County; and

WHEREAS, the Board views the proposed Wolf Solutions pipeline project in Tazewell County as not in the best interest of the people of this Tazewell County; and

WHEREAS, the Board will make their opposition to Wolf Solutions pipeline known to the Commission; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tazewell County Board Opposes the Wolf Solutions Pipeline Project Proposed for Portions of Tazewell County, Illinois.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk notify the Illinois Commerce Commission and County Board Office of this action.

PASSED THIS 15TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023.

ATTEST:

Tazewell County Clerk

Tazewell County Board Chairman