

## **OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 172 BY KENT ROWE**

My name is Kent Rowe of 3353 N 159th E, Wichita, KS. My Senator is Ty Masterson and my state Rep. is Patrick Penn.

Designation of a "critical infrastructure" cannot be determined at the behest of an irresponsible entity which knowingly seeks to impart harm to water, air and land with known dangerous operations. High risk infrastructures built to traverse heritage lands & waterways that carry great probability & consequence for contamination must be repulsed. The following example of resistance persons is the intended 'threat' listed by SB 172:

- \* a line of indigenous people standing holding onto sweetgrass
- \* a choir of Quaker members with a piano singing at a fuel dock
- \* an 80 year-old woman standing in her front yard
- \* a group of persons standing on rail tracks symbolically halting entry of the first nuclear reactor into Kansas (Wolf Creek) in 1979

Unsafe work practices, faulty construction, infliction of permanent environmental poisoning, aggression from hired thugs, crimes of drug addiction, human traffic activities, Covid-19 spread from outside workers, constitute a "sacrifice zone" upon local inhabitants.

Sometimes, local resistance must be implemented---non-violent, civil actions should never be interpreted as felony with long-term imprisonment.