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From East to West and North to South - New Hampshire Conservation Commissions make a stand  
**Thirty-five conservation commissions oppose NED pipeline in letter to FERC and Gov. Hassan**

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A coalition of conservation commissions in southern New Hampshire issued a letter to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and New Hampshire State Governor Maggie Hassan affirming their opposition to the proposed Kinder Morgan/NED export pipeline. The letter has been signed by thirty-five conservation commissions state-wide, and details concerns for air, water, noise and wildlife as well as the impacts to future conservation efforts.

The growing group of conservation commissions are from towns that span the entire state of New Hampshire - from towns in the NED route and from towns that are not on the route. Towns outside of the proposed NED pipeline route that signed the letter are as large as Exeter and far north as Bethlehem.

"The NED/Export pipeline will negatively affect the natural resources of our town and put the health and lives of our children and elementary school at risk. No one in town wants this pipeline."

*–Sean Radcliffe, Temple Conservation Commission*

"The impact of this pipeline is to all of southern New Hampshire, not just the towns that it crosses, reflected by the wide support of all the Conservation Commissions that have signed the letter in opposition to the NED project."

*–David Drouin, Rindge Conservation Commission*

"From all over New Hampshire -- the North Country to the Seacoast, from the Upper Valley and across central and southern NH, 35 town Conservation Commissions are standing together to oppose NED and tell Governor Hassan that she needs to recognize the harm posed by this pipeline to our state's natural resources."

*–Liz Fletcher, Mason Conservation Commission*