U.S. War Veterans Return to Standing Rock as Dakota Access Construction Resumes



Washington, February 16 (RHC)-- In the U.S. state of North Dakota, military veterans have begun returning to Standing Rock to support the fight to stop the construction of the \$3.8 billion Dakota Access pipeline, which was approved by the Army Corps of Engineers last week.

Water protectors say there are an increasing number of helicopters and Bureau of Indian Affairs agents policing the resistance camps.

In related news, The Guardian reports multiple agents from the FBI's Joint Terrorism Task Force have been attempting to contact water protectors, sparking concerns the FBI may be investigating the indigenous-led movement as a form of domestic terrorism.

Civil rights lawyer Lauren Regan said: "The idea that the government would attempt to construe this indigenous-led nonviolent movement into some kind of domestic terrorism investigation is unfathomable to me. It's outrageous, it's unwarranted and it's unconstitutional."

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