



# Earth First! News

ON THE FRONTLINES OF ECOLOGICAL RESISTANCE

## HOW TO TURN OFF TAR SANDS PIPELINES [Hint: Direct Action, No Compromise]

by Cicada



Activists in Quebec lock to a Line 9 valve. Dec 7, 2015.

**For as long as oil and gas pipelines have existed, land defenders have fought to shut them down.** This winter, a handful of activists showed us how it's done, halting the flow of crude oil not once, not twice, but four times (so far).

The focal point of these actions is Enbridge, a Canadian energy company that operates the longest crude oil and liquids transportation system in the world. With approximately 30,000 miles of pipelines in the US and Canada, and plans to expand this system even further,

Enbridge threatens water and wildlife all across North America—and not just through their dirty emissions. In 2010, Enbridge spilled over one million gallons of heavy crude oil into Michigan's Kalamazoo River when its Line 6B pipeline ruptured. This was the largest inland oil spill in US history and resulted in fierce resistance. For example, throughout 2013-14, members of Michigan Coalition Against Tar Sands staged treesits in the path of pipeline construction, locked down to construction machinery, and even occupied sections of pipe in an attempt to stop the reversal and expansion of Line 6B.

Resistance has also occurred farther north, where for years activists have been targeting Enbridge's Line 9 pipeline. In August 2014, folks in southwestern Ontario established an occupation on a pipeline construction site and carried out multiple lockdowns, halting valve installation and delaying construction.

The fight against Line 9 reached a new level on December 7, 2015. Early that morning, three people approached valve station 192 in Quebec, carrying food, water, and a few bicycle locks. One activist turned the valve pump until Line 9 stopped pumping tar sands crude through its

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## NEWS FROM THE ECO-WARS

### Sept-Dec—Anonymous Takes Down 97 Japanese Websites in Anti-Whaling Campaign

Websites of government officers, groups involved in dolphin and whale hunting, news organizations, airports, and the personal website of prime minister Shinzo Abe were all targeted by the hacktivist group. Japan banned commercial whaling decades ago, but it is still hunting whales for "scientific research." In 2015 the International Court of Justice ruled that the country had failed to prove a scientific necessity for the slaughter and ordered the practice stopped.

### Oct 1—Germany: Blockades Against Mining Near Hambach Forest

The patrol path of the coal mine's railway was blockaded with a tripod and the abandoned A4 highway was barricaded. A truck was also stopped and immobilized by letting air out of its tires.

### Oct 2—Protesters Converge on University of Washington

Hundreds of protesters stormed the campus as part of the No New Animal Lab campaign to stop the University's construction of a \$124 million underground animal research laboratory.

### Oct 3—Mexico: Roads Blocked and Airport Shut Down in Protest of Mining Project

On the third day of protests against the municipality's secret vote in favor of the Invecture Group's use of land, protesters learned the land would be used for mining and quickly blocked roads into the International Airport of Los Cabos.

### Oct 4—Climate Refugees Storm Tunnel into England

Over 200 people without papers broke through razor wire fences and invaded the channel tunnel in an at-

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### **Oct 4—Mexico: ELF Attacks Honda Dealership**

The action in San Cristobal, Ecatepec, completely destroyed several vehicles and damaged several others. Part of the statement read: "...we will never accept their offers to live in this filthy puddle that is full of automatons filled with indifference who do not show even the most minimal respect for the Earth ... We seek to destroy their world blow for blow ... This is to show that we have not given up our fight against all those who dare to destroy the Earth and its inhabitants [translation]."

tempt to enter England. Some were able to enter trucks under cover of the ensuing major traffic jam, which shut down the tunnel all night and caused traffic to be redirected to the port. Over 100 were arrested.

### **Oct 5—Nicaragua: Thousands March for Forests and Water**

At least 10,000 people from various urban and rural communities marched for environmental causes, despite checkpoints by police attempting to prevent or delay attendance.

### **Oct 5—Hundreds March Against Fracking in Denver**

Concerned residents marched in response to Governor Hickenlooper's recent claims that Coloradans are no longer mobilizing to protect their communities from the harms of fracking. A 20-foot mock drilling rig was erected just feet from the doorstep of the governor's mansion.

### **Oct 5—Canada: Tsimshians Confront Fracked Gas Surveyors**

Tsimshian people faced off against the RCMP, Prince Rupert Port Authority, and Petronas in an attempt to disrupt Petronas' construction of a fracking rig. The Tsimshians have occupied and built a protection camp on Lelu Island to defend it and the Flora banks, a sensitive eco-system essential for juvenile salmon and migrating crustaceans. The Tsimshians have called on supporters to come to Lelu Island and stand with them, bring boats, or send money and supplies.

### **Oct 5 & 7—Mexico: Attacks on Scientific Research Facilities**

A handmade explosive device was placed at the entrance of the Nuclear Sciences Institute of the National Autonomous University in Mexico City. Two days later, a book bomb was left at the entrance of the Computational Research Centre in the Gustavo A. Madero borough. The attacks were claimed by a group calling themselves the "Eco-extremist Circle of Terrorism and Sabotage," who signed off their communique with, "Warring on the side of All the Wild. Against the Technological System [translation]."

### **Oct 6—UK: Badger Killer Gets Sand in Fuel Tank**

Animal rights activists poured sand into the fuel tank of "pest controller" Martin Hatton's car, a key killer for the Gloucestershire Badger Cull.

### **Oct 6—Mexico: Communal Land Owners Blockade Construction Entrance**

Approximately 70 protesters blocked the entrance to the construction site of



### **Oct 23—Finland: Nuclear Power Plant Project Blocked**

Work at the Fennovoima nuclear power plant construction site was disrupted when three trucks were stopped: two by people climbing aboard and one by a person chaining their body to the vehicle. The work stoppage lasted an hour and a half until police took the blockaders into custody.

a hazardous waste landfill in northern Noria de la Sabina, preventing four of six trucks from entering.

### **Oct 9—Peru: 5,000 Protest Against World Bank, IMF, and TPP**

In protest of the annual governors' meeting of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank, an estimated 5,000 people marched 70 blocks in Lima, from Plaza San Martín to the first police perimeter around the official conference. Groups at the protest included indigenous feminist organizations, the Lima-based Comando Feminista, Bloque Hip Hop, worker unions, the Peruvian Campesino Confederation, the US-based Oakland Institute, and dozens of others.

### **Oct 10-13—China: Riot Against Trash Incinerator Project**

Hundreds of protesters rioted in southern China after a weekend of demonstrations against a project to build a trash incinerator. Photographs posted online showed protesters pinning a police officer to the ground and flames engulfing an overturned car. Days later, hundreds of people remained near the gates of a cement plant that is cooperating with the trash incinerator project.

### **Oct 19—UK: Prison Project Director's Home Attacked**

The home of Simon Caron, the Project Director of the North Wales Prison Project, which if completed will be the second largest prison in Europe, was attacked. The two cars on his driveway were left covered in paint stripper while he slept. A statement said, "We hope you feel even one tenth of the fear that prisoners feel when they are caged, abused and exploited in prison," and declared that "the time is now for an escalation in the offensive against the prison industrial complex. Until All Are Free."

### **Oct 20—Ecuador: Women Protesting Mining Project Attacked by Security Forces**

Members of the Pachamama's Front of Women Defenders (Frente de Mujeres Defensoras de la Pachamama) demonstrated peacefully against the Río Blanco mining project while President Rafael Correa met with the rural community of Molleturo, Cuenca, to inaugurate a health center. They dropped a banner with the words "Responsible Mining, Miserable Lie." The group, which included children and the elderly, was violently dragged, hit, and insulted by police.

### **Oct 21—Argentina: Road Blockade at Mining Entrance**

Locals of the Tudcum region blocked the road to the Veladero gold and silver mine using a pickup truck. They

also raised an Argentine flag, gathered used tires at the blockade, and spray painted "Ex-" onto signs reading "Private Mining Road." The blockade was a response to Barrick Gold's spill of approximately 400,000 gallons of cyanide on September 13, 2015. Blockaders said they would not leave until there was a permanent halt of mining operations in the area.

### **Oct 22—Activists Shut Down Pipeline Construction in Boston**

Twelve local residents shut down the Spectra construction site at the West Roxbury Lateral Pipeline by linking arms and standing alongside the trench.

### **Oct 22—Sit-in for Climate Action in MA**

Students staged a sit-in on the office doorstep of MIT's president to protest the school's Plan for Action on Climate Change, which they consider to be insufficient. They demanded that MIT divest from coal and tar sands, address climate science disinformation by establishing an Ethics Advisory Committee, and commit to achieving campus carbon neutrality no later than 2040.

### **Oct 23—Foxes and Rabbit Liberated from WI Fur Farm**

An activist cut open the back fence of a fox farm in Burlington, liberating two foxes and a rabbit. The activist's statement read, in part: "As soon as they were out of their cages, they joyously galloped around in circles. It was the most beautiful thing to see."

### **Oct 24—Hundreds Protest Pipeline in VT**

Hundreds of demonstrators marched through Montpelier and occupied the block of State Street in front of the Statehouse, where they placed a 20-foot high mock gas derrick in protest of a natural gas pipeline.

### **Oct 25—Activists Disrupt Fracking Presentation at Boston Hotel**

About 75 demonstrators from New England descended on the Revere Hotel to confront executives from Spectra Energy and Kinder Morgan, in town for a closed-door presentation ahead of the Second Annual Northeast Energy Summit. Demonstrators took over the sidewalks outside the hotel, holding signs and chanting, "Invest in renewables, not fracked gas!" Two protesters were able to gain access to the presentation, briefly disrupting the event. Banners were deployed from a connected parking garage, reading "fracked-gas kills" and "Spectra's toxins are trespassing on our bodies."

### **Oct 26—UK: Lockdowns on Climate Change Denier's Estate**

Four activists locked themselves with bicycle locks to a 500-ton excavator to stop operations at the Shotten coal mine, an open-cast coal mine on the family estate of Tory peer and climate change denier Matt Ridley. Another group blockaded the main entrance by lying in the road with their wrists chained together inside lockboxes.

### **Oct 27—France: Monsanto Research Site Burned to the Ground**

A Monsanto research center in western France suffered heavy fire damage in a suspected arson attack. No electrical or other sources for the fire were found, but the smell of gasoline lingered near the building. The center specialized in corn research and is the first Monsanto site in Europe to be attacked.

### **Oct 27—Peru: Land Defender Killed During 48-Hour Anti-Mining Strike**

Mendoza Tumaylle, age 22, was killed during a general strike in Puquio, capital of Lucana province. Local leaders also reported Juan Pariona of Callao injured as a result of being held hostage by the informal mining company in the San Andrés zone. The conflict occurred at the site of an informal mining project where toxic runoff leads directly into fields used by the community for agriculture.

### **Oct 29—Japan: Protest Against Relocation of US Military Base**

More than 200 people gathered to protest the Japanese government's plans to relocate a US base on Okinawa. Dozens of demonstrators blocked the way of construction trucks and bulldozers before police dragged them away. The activists were protesting the base for reasons that include the damaging effects it will have on the environment.

### **Oct 30—UK: Activists Crash BP-Sponsored Day of the Dead Event**

Fifty Latin American and British activists mounted a highly visible performance protest against the British Museum's "Day of the Dead" festival, an event co-sponsored by BP and the Mexican government. They accused the museum of playing host to a "deadly partnership" which is covering up a slew of human rights and environmental abuses.

### **Oct 31—Mexico: Incendiary Device Left at Office Buildings of the Cuajimalpa Delegation**

From the statement: "For the propagation of chaos, for the destruction of progress and civilization. Today there





## Nov 2—Anti-Fracking Banner Drop at NFL Game in MD

Members of We Are Cove Point disrupted a Monday Night Football game when they suspended from the upper deck of Bank of America (BOA) stadium and dropped a banner reading, “BOA: Dump Dominion.” BOA is financing the Dominion Cove Point liquefied natural gas export terminal, centerpiece of the fracked-gas infrastructure build-out currently underway in the mid-Atlantic US. We Are Cove Point is organizing a local action camp in southern Maryland March 6-14. Visit [WEARECOVEPOINT.ORG](http://WEARECOVEPOINT.ORG) for more information.

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will be bombs; tomorrow hurricanes and earthquakes [translation].”

### Oct 31—Mexico: Buses Attacked with Incendiaries

The Pagan Sect of the Mountain claimed responsibility for the attack in Ecatepec. Four vehicles were damaged by the bombs, while four or five placed on other buses failed to ignite. The group, in a statement, explained that they are “at war against civilization and modern development,” and claimed they will not be intimidated into stopping their actions.

### Oct 31—Denver Activists Project Animal Testing Footage on Home of Skanska Executive

The action was taken to bring to light Brian Stieritz’s involvement in the building of an underground lab at the University of Washington. Neighbors steered away trick-or-treaters with cones, saying, “Please turn around, protest expected!” It was part of a nation-wide tour by the No New Animal Lab campaign.

### Nov 1—Banner Drop Against Skanska Executive in CO

The banner was discovered the morning after Halloween, over a highway in Broomfield, near the home of Executive Vice President Brian Stieritz.

### Around Nov 4—MN Pipeline Protest Results in Seven Arrests at Enbridge Office

Over 100 people with the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group, Honor the Earth, and the Fond du Lac community stormed the Duluth office to deliver a letter of demands against Enbridge’s plans to build a number of pipelines in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Employees refused the letter and police demanded everyone leave the building. All but seven did.

### Nov 5—Wales: Activist Blocks Prison Construction Site

One of the Wrexham construction site’s entrances was blocked by an activist who locked herself to the gate as part of a week of action against the project, put on by Community Action on Prison Expansion (CAPE) and Prison Abolition UK. The prison would be Europe’s second biggest, caging 2,100 human beings. [Read more about CAPE in *EF! Journal* Vol. 35 No. 4, Yule 2015]

### Nov 8—Italy: High Speed Train Sabotaged

Opponents of the train set fire to underground electrical cables and painted “8-11, sabotage a world of racists and borders” on the ground, a reference to the arrival of the leader of the Northern League, a racist organization in Italy. Train service was suspended for just under eight hours.

### Nov 9—Climate March Blocks DC Intersection

Hundreds of people took the streets for the Our Generation Our Choice march. The blockade caught police off guard, trapping drivers in expensive luxury cars, but led to no arrests. A rally took place before the march featuring speeches by two Lakota youth.

### Nov 9—Canada: Activists Disrupt Lecture by US Vivisector

Pretending to be an interested student, an activist gained access to the lecture in BC and was able to provide a report to others outside. Once the lecture began, five folks wearing masks and toting bullhorns entered and disrupted the proceedings. After being removed, the protesters were confronted outside by researchers. Refusing to be intimidated, the group chanted loud enough to continuously disrupt the lecture.

### Nov 13—Finland: Cranes Occupied in Solidarity with Pyhäjoki Protest Camp

The two cranes were taken over by three activists who dropped banners against SRV, one of the largest contractors for the planned Fennovoima Nuclear Power Plant. The occupation lasted for seven hours.

### Nov 13—Banner Hung on Skanska Equipment in NY

The banner was hung and the work site occupied by Hudson Valley Earth First! in solidarity with the No New Animal Lab campaign and was done to draw connections between Skanska building an underground animal lab at the University of Washington and constructing a fracked gas power plant in the Hudson Valley.

### Around Nov 15—England: Hunt Saboteurs Stabbed by Hunter During Foxhunt

The saboteurs suffered an unprovoked attack from two hunters. Knives were used and two of the activists were stabbed while another suffered a broken hand and a missing tooth.

### Nov 15—Chile: Arson at Hydroelectric Dam Constructor Matte’s Office

Incendiary devices were used to burn the office and corporate vehicles belonging to the company. The attack took place in Pehuenche Territory, on land stolen by the company for the dam.

### Around Nov 16—Spectra Construction Disrupted by Anti-Fracking Lockdown in CT

A member of Capitalism vs. the Climate locked himself to equipment at a compressor station to stop work. Spectra is building part of the AIM

Project pipeline, which would carry highly-flammable gas 100 feet from New York's Indian Point nuclear power plant. The pipeline would also directly impact Mansfield Hollow State Park, twelve streams, two wetlands, and habitat for state-protected species.

#### **Nov 16—Petcoke Transfer Terminal Blocked in Chicago**

Seven folks from the community and Rising Tide Chicago blocked the Koch Carbon Transfer Terminal by locking themselves together with lockboxes. Over a dozen trucks were prevented from entering the grounds. Community action has so far shut down two petcoke storage sites in Chicago, but one remains. Members of the blockade called for green jobs instead of dirty industry.

#### **Nov 16—Anti-TPP Activists Occupy Buildings in DC**

The 1000-plus participants shut down traffic and occupied multiple offices of companies involved in the TPP negotiations. The actions were part of Fall Rising National Mobilization, which featured over sixty groups in twelve cities throughout the world.

#### **Nov 19—Peru: Environmentalist Gunned Down by Illegal Miners**

The woodworker Afredo Ernesto Vracko Neuenschwander, who led a movement to resist forest invasions by illegal gold miners, was killed in his home after receiving many threats from miners. According to Global Witness, at least 57 environmental activists were killed between 2002 and 2014 in Peru.

#### **Around Nov 19—Homeowner Halts Spectra Pipeline in New York**

Clearcutting in the Reynolds Hills area of Peekskill was prevented for a day when a resident simply stood within 300 feet of where construction was scheduled to begin. The clearcutting was to make way for the AIM Pipeline.

#### **Nov 26—UK: Activists Block Tunnel to Airport**

The three activists parked a vehicle across both lanes of traffic and locked themselves to it. Terminals one, two, and three at Heathrow Airport were closed down. The blockaders, members of the group Plane Stupid, which opposes the current plan for airport expansion, also unfurled a banner reading "No Ifs, No Buts: No Third Runway."

#### **Nov 27—Iceland: Anonymous Brings Down Sites in Whaling Protest**

The five websites were all government related, including the prime minister's official website and the site of the environmental and interior ministries. They were offline for around 24 hours. The group called for activists everywhere to hack websites linked to the Icelandic government. Despite a ban that has been in effect for thirty years, Iceland continues to allow whale hunting.

#### **Nov 29—France: Anarchists Clash with Riot Police**

Thousands of protesters gathered to protest at the opening of the COP21 summit in Paris. The group formed a human chain that stretched for nearly two miles, while folks dressed as penguins and kangaroos held up signs and danced around. Towards the end of the protests, police started a riot, which led to protesters hurling beer cans and glasses at them in response to tear gas and attempted arrests. According to reports, 208 people were arrested.

#### **Nov 29—Brazil's Worst Mining Disaster Sparks Protest**

On Nov. 5, two dams of an open-cast

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## **Oct-Nov—Actions Against Sewage Dumping in the St. Lawrence River**

*In September 2015, it was discovered that the Canadian Government had plans to dump over eight billion gallons of raw sewage from residences, businesses, and hospitals into the St. Lawrence River in Montreal. Members of the Mohawk Nation responded with multiple acts of resistance.*



*Kahnawake Mohawks block trains along Canadian Pacific Railway tracks in Montreal. Oct 22, 2015.*

#### **Oct 19—Canada: Mohawk Nation Calls for Support at "Shit Vigil"**

Mohawks began a continuous fire vigil at the southern end of Montreal's Mercier Bridge in protest of the city dumping sewage into the St. Lawrence River.

#### **Oct 22—Canada: Train Tracks Blocked by Kahnawake Mohawks**

In an escalation of their ongoing "shit vigil" to bring a halt to the dumping of billions of liters of raw sewage into the St. Lawrence River, Kahnawake Mohawks blocked trains going in both directions along Canadian Pacific Railway tracks in Montreal.

#### **Nov 2—Canada: Highway Blockade and Banner Drop Against Dumping in St. Lawrence**

The Notre-Dame highway was blocked with debris and construction materials and two banners were dropped by "some anarchists" to protest the dumping of eight billion liters of raw sewage into the river. The banners read "Contre le deversement dans le St-Laurent" (Against the dumping in the St. Lawrence) and "Solidarity with all land defenders."

#### **Nov 11-12—Canada: Kahnawake Block Bridge in Opposition to Sewage Dump**

The Kahnawake Mohawks blocked a ramp to the Mercier Bridge for two straight nights to protest the city of Montreal dumping sewage into the St. Lawrence River. The city dumped over two billion gallons of untreated wastewater into the river in October. Students from the Kahnawake Survival School held a walkout in solidarity.

# News From the Hambach Forest

## Oct-Dec, 2015

*The Hambach Forest in the Rhineland of Germany is being destroyed by energy company RWE for the expansion of an open-cast lignite mine. Since April 2012 the forest has been squatted by activists to stop the clearing and prevent the expansion of the mine. Since then the occupations have been evicted several times, and reoccupied each time.*

*The struggle continues:*

### **Oct 4 & 7—Mining Equipment Blocked and Occupied**

Conveyor belts at the Hambach mine were blocked by activist lock-downs. The two main belts were shut down on the first day and all three during the next. One of the activists who was arrested had his wrist seriously injured and was kept in custody without medical attention.

### **Oct 16 & 17—Machines Occupied and Lockdown on Tracks**

Three activists occupied a giant coal excavator at the Hambach mine, and the next day another three locked themselves to the mine's railroad tracks, immobilizing coal trains. Twenty-six people in total were arrested.

### **Oct 24—Blockade and Sabotage on the Hambachbahn**

Activists from the anti-brown coal movement stopped trains on the Hambachbahn, a railway that transports coal from the open cast mine to power plants. Two activists locked themselves on or near the tracks, stopping the transport of coal for over three hours. These actions were committed in retaliation to the violent arrest of two of their comrades in a previous action. In the following days, color-bombs were thrown at security cars, a group of thirty people destroyed the security fence of the railway, and the windows of a truck were also smashed. Later, lights and generators in generator stations on two highway bridges used as guard points were destroyed. The Hambach Forest website declared, "They will not scare us—an attack on one is an attack on all! And that counts for humans, animals and ecosystems! Solidarity is a weapon [translation]."

### **Oct 25—Mining Equipment Sabotaged**

Several machines were sabotaged at RWE's open-cast coal mine in the Hambach. Five excavators, two bulldozers, a road roller, and "another expensive looking thing" all had hydraulic hoses and electrical cables cut. Tanks and filters were filled with sand, windows smashed, and other mechanical components broken.

### **Dec 11—Lockdown on Coal Diggers**

As part of the campaign to protect the Hambach Forest from lignite mining, four activists used bicycle locks to keep two coal-diggers from destroying the earth. They held signs that read, "There are no jobs on a dead planet."

### **Dec 31—Arson and Sabotage**

In defense of the Hambach Forest threatened by RWE's expanding open-cast lignite mine, anarchists set fire to cables and wiring along the train tracks used to transport coal from the mine, to a telecommunications mast on the edge of the mine, and to roadside barricades of tires and logs. They also placed homemade stingers (wooden boards with large nails protruding from them) along the roads to harass and distract security forces during the attacks. The claim of responsibility ended with, "By making use of homemade stingers ... we send a warm and rebellious embrace to imprisoned anarchist comrade Emma Sheppard on the anniversary of her arrest. We carried out these attacks in solidarity with the ongoing resistance to the mine's expansion from within the Hambacher Forest. Strength and courage to all anarchist fighters, on the inside and outside. Happy Black December [translation]."

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iron mine in the southeastern state of Minas Gerais burst, and toxic mudslides spread as far as 60 miles. Twenty-three people died in what many claim was an avoidable catastrophe. Hundreds marched in Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo demanding responsibility for the tragedy. Participants called out deforestation, the misuse of water resources, and government compromises with corporations causing climate change.

### **Around Nov 30—Mexico: Gold Mine Blockaded**

The blockade occurred near an open-cast gold mine in Escuintla. Afterwards, activists complained of arbitrary detentions and threats because of their opposition to Mazapa Projects and Works.

### **Dec 1—Chile: Exotic Animal Shop Sabotaged**

The Nocturnal Disorder Cell of the Informal Anarchist Federation used liquid steel to glue the locks of a pet shop "to disrupt the normal functioning of the oppression of our lives and that of the animals [translation]." Their statement claimed this action as part of Black December, called for animal, human, and earth liberation, stated solidarity with anarchist prisoners, and asserted that anti-speciesism is a part of the fight against all forms of authority.

### **Dec 1—Mexico: Incendiary Device Left in Parking Lot of Federal Building**

The Non Terrae Plus Ultra Destructive Cell took credit for planting the device near the Xomchimilco borough building. They signed the note, "Against civilization and progress, for the fallen and kidnapped in this war against the existent, against the dead masses, for Black December [translation]."

### **Dec 3—Forest Defenders from Finland, Germany, and France Launch Treesit in Paris**

During the first week of the COP21, activists from the Hambach Forest anti-mining occupation in Germany, the Stop Fennovoima anti-nuclear campaign in Finland, and the Tant Qu'il y Aura Des Boilles anti-dam campaign in France ascended a tree in Parc Monceau, a public park with a sign reading, "Act! Don't be Afraid." The sit was meant to raise awareness of their separate campaigns and to urge governmental leaders to halt the exploitation and destruction of natural areas.

### **Dec 4—UK: Anti-Frackers Resist Eviction**

The Upton Community Protection Camp resisted an eviction ordered to allow IGas to drill an exploratory bore-



hole in their occupation area. Occupiers dug tunnels, built tree houses and towers, and used lockdown devices to evade the company employees attempting to clear them.

### **Around Dec 7—Italy: Heavy Machinery Torched**

An anarchist in Genoa set fire to a Caterpillar tractor belonging to asphalt company Marini. The statement called Marini “a front-runner in Earth devastation” and said the action was carried out in solidarity with those arrested and put under investigation following the May 1 revolt in Milan.

### **Dec 7—Seattle Residents Occupy BNSF Offices to Protest Oil Trains**

Forty-three activists occupied the railway company’s office to protest environmental racism and climate change and to call for a transition away from fossil fuels. As police cleared the building, 13 stayed behind and were arrested.

### **Around Dec 8—Germany: Foxes Freed from Hunting Facility, Clubhouse Burnt Down**

The ALF liberated foxes from a facility used for training hunting dogs in Hildensheim and torched the associated clubhouse to cause economic damage. The statement warned, “In case of the continued operation of the facility, the ALF has plans for future action in the private sphere of the club members [translation].”

### **Dec 10—France: Climate Angels Shut Down Engie Headquarters**

The public energy utility was closed for the day following a visit from the Australian group the Climate Guardian Angels. Seven women dressed in ornate angelic costumes, along with several Australian,

American, and other international allies, sat and stood in front of the doors of Engie’s two buildings in La Defense, Paris, denying entrance. The group was there to call attention to the company’s involvement in a mining fire disaster in early 2014 in Victoria, Australia.

### **Dec 10—Italy: Hundreds of Hares Liberated from Hunting Facility**

Fencing was cut and several hundred hares released from cages at the Casa Boschi farm in Canossa. The animals were used to train hunting dogs. The ALF claimed responsibility for the action.

### **Around Dec 10—Israel: Five Arrested for Assaulting Vet Involved in Animal Experimentation**

Five suspects were arrested by Jerusalem police for allegedly assaulting a veterinarian involved in breeding animals for scientific purposes. The vet was hospitalized on November 23. He claims he was beaten with stones by masked individuals who called him a “monkey murderer.”

### **Dec 11—Spectra Energy Blockaded in NY**

Residents and members of Resist AIM set up inflatable barricades to halt construction of Spectra Energy’s Algonquin Pipeline. Originally intended for the COP21 in Paris, the large mylar cubes were made by Tools for Action, a Berlin-based arts collective, and distributed to climate groups around the world after France’s state of emergency barred protests.

### **Dec 12—Ten Arrested at Anti-Nuclear Protest in NY**

Activists were arrested for disorderly conduct at Indian Point Energy Center in Buchanan after they stretched yellow

caution tape across the main entrance. The protest was organized by the Indian Point Safe Energy Coalition after the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the federal agency that licenses nuclear plants, announced it would allow one of the plant’s two reactors to continue to operate after its license expired at midnight on December 12.

### **Dec 14—Anti-Drone and Climate Activists Arrested at California Air Force Base**

Eight peace advocates and environmentalists were arrested as they walked onto Beale Air Force Base/Whaetland Gate to deliver a letter to the base commander calling for an end to drone warfare. The letter declared that the “US military is the single largest user of petroleum in the world, emitting a massive amount of greenhouse gases, and is the main enforcer of the global oil economy. Yet the Pentagon has a blanket exemption in all international climate agreements.”

### **Around Dec 14—France: EDF Vehicles Torched**

From the anonymous statement: “EDF (Electricity of France) is one of the participants of the COP-21. It is also a state corporation that seeks to present nuclear energy as the solution to the problems of climate change. Nuclear energy is death; let us destroy its promoters! We believe that it is important to attack the COP-21 wherever it be: that is, wherever there is profit and power. We prefer qualitative action, abatement, and surprise instead of gatherings based on mediation, shows of the State, and its horde of police. With some torches, gallons of gasoline, and smiles, we humbly respond to the surveillance, the fear, the resignation which alienates us from everyday life [translation].”

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## **Dec 15—Victory in Australia: Treesit Ends Illegal Logging**

Members of Goongerah Environment Centre set up a nearly 100-foot-high treesit in an East Gippsland forest and tied it off to logging machinery, preventing their use. The activists declared VicForest’s logging operations to be illegal, as the company failed to carry out pre-logging surveys and are impacting nearby protected rainforest. Though they denied any wrongdoing, VicForest agreed to stop logging as a result of the sit, which was up for one full day.



**Dec 15—Canada: Dam Opponents Occupy Historic Fort**

The fight against the Site C dam escalated when opponents, including Treaty 8 First Nations members, set up a camp at the site of the Rocky Mountain Fort. The fort is the earliest European settlement in mainland BC and is in the dam project's path of destruction. The site of the fort is slated for clearing in the first three months of 2016.

**Dec 16—Uruguay: Lockdown at Mayor's House to Protest Zoo**

A banner was dropped from the Mayor's balcony calling for the close of the Villa Dolores Zoo (literally meaning "Villa of Pain"). Behind the banner three comrades chained themselves to the balcony while throwing fliers in the air and chanting orders to close the zoo.

**Dec 16—France: Windows Broken and Walls Repainted in Resistance to Nuclear Energy**

Members of the Jackson Pollock Committee repainted the Lille offices of Électricité de France (EDF) with "Neither nuclear, nor CO2!" They also broke the windows of a BNP bank in Madeleine and tagged "Collaborator of Ecological Disaster" on the building. From their statement: "EDF for their exploitation and export of nuclear power plants, as much as for being placed No. 2 of French CO2 emitters. BNP for its financial support to the carbon industry. Both of them for their greenwashing operation in sponsoring the COP21 [translation]."

**Dec 16—Brazil: Incendiary Attack at Bank Branch**

The Marie Mason Cell of the Insurgent Anarchist Movement took responsibility for the arson at the Bradesco Bank in São Paulo. The attack was in response to the cutting down of two ancient trees outside the Our Lady of Remedies church and the government's assassination of more than 20 people in Osasco, Barueri, Carapicuíba, and Itapevi. The attack was claimed as part of Black December.

**Throughout Dec—Malaysia: Five Bauxite Mining Trucks Burned**

Members of Malaysian communities suffering under waves of pollution, industrial takeover, and governmental inaction set fire to mining trucks that blow through towns leaving large clouds of bauxite dust in their wake. These actions were taken after public outcries, including a petition with over 2,400 signatures, were ignored.

**Dec 18—Anti-Fracking Protesters Lock Down at NY Construction Site**

Three activists locked their necks together with bicycle locks, stopping truck traffic into the Competitive Power Ventures power plant construction site

in Hudson Valley for an hour. Others stood with arms locked together to add to the blockade.

**Dec 19—Spain: Fur Store Sabotaged**

Animal rights activists visited Ramon Ezguerra's fur shop in Bilboa. They used acid on the windows, glued the locks, and spray painted the shop and surrounding walls with slogans, including "Happy Christmas Murderers."

**Dec 21—NY Gas Storage Facility Blocked**

Twelve activists dressed as Santa, elves, and the Grinch were arrested while stopping a truck pulling construction equipment into the Crestwood gas storage facility. The facility proposes to store methane, propane, and butane in salt caverns under the shores of Seneca Lake.

**Around Dec 22—Bosnia: Thousands Protest Air Pollution**

About 2,000 people protested against air pollution in Lukavac, where taking a full breath is impossible and residents are encouraged to stay indoors. Protesters demanded that industrial polluters abide by the law and install necessary air filters, and that the Ministry of Ecology of Federation of BiH reexamine their work permits and the levels of pollution they create.

**Throughout Dec—France and Germany: Paint Attacks Against Climate Change and for ZAD Solidarity**

*During and after the COP21 in Paris, activists in Germany and France spent their nights flinging paint at those most responsible for the UN climate farce and CO2 emissions.*

**Dec 4:** The SOGEA Atlantique building in Nantes, France, was redecorated with colorful paint spelling "ZAD" in giant letters. SOGEA Atlantique is a subsidiary of VINCI Construction France, a COP21 sponsor and the construction company behind the ZAD evictions.

**Dec 9:** The corridors facing the Angers, France, offices of GECCO (Vertebrate Conservation and Ecology Group) were tagged with "ZAD Everywhere" and "Research = Collaborator." GECCO sends students into the ZAD to give scientific backing to the airport and concreting project.

**Dec 12:** Activists beautified RWE energy company's headquarters in Essen, Germany, with paint bombs and pieces of bitumen in response to their role in climate change.

**Dec 13:** A group called the Black Bears painted the inside and outside of a Deutsche Bank branch in Hanover, Germany. The bank was targeted for being one of the largest financiers of the coal industry and other major polluters responsible for the climate crisis.

**Dec 31—New Year's Eve Noise Demos for Prisoner Solidarity**

Every New Year's Eve, anarchists and other radicals around the world organize and attend noise demos outside of jails, prisons, psychiatric centers, juvenile detention centers, and immigration detention centers to show support with those locked inside and protest the prison-industrial-complex. The end of 2015 was no different: Demos were held in Bloomington, Indiana; Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; New York City; Minneapolis; Quebec and Ontario, Canada; Paris and Coquelles, France; London; and Schiphol, Netherlands to name a few. Activists banged pots and pans, lit off fireworks and firecrackers, chanted loud enough for the prisoners to hear, and played musical instruments. More often than not—according to the reportbacks found online—prisoners responded with waves, turning lights off and on, and banging on windows. At some demos, banners were also dropped, smoke bombs lit, dumpsters set ablaze, and paint sprayed with words of resistance to this unjust system. One participant was arrested in Bloomington as were several undocumented folks in the Netherlands. In Ontario, protesters threw chunks of ice, breaking multiple security cameras.

Hopefully by next year we'll be writing about the end of the prison-industrial-complex and can all party to our heart's content on New Year's Eve. If not, we hope you are making plans for December 31, 2016. ✊



*A prisoner waves from inside the Broward County Jail as protesters bang pots outside; Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, Dec 31, 2015.*

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pipes. Then two of the activists locked their necks to the valve handle to prevent it from being turned back on while the third locked their neck to the station gates to delay anyone trying to approach the valve. The flow of crude was stopped for ten hours, and Enbridge stock plunged eight percent. As an anonymous reportback clarified, “For a company worth almost 60 billion dollars, that’s about 4.8 billion dollars.” Enbridge publicly announced that they shut down the pipeline “as a precautionary measure” in an attempt to cover up the first manual shutdown of a pipeline in history.

In addition to stopping the flow of crude oil, this simple act also serves as a test of Canada’s new anti-terrorism law C-51, which expands the definition of terrorism to include tampering with pipelines. The activists reasoned, “If they charged us with terrorism, what they’d be saying is that a large segment of the population supports terrorism, and the state would lose the usefulness of the terrorism label to demonize an isolated political element. It wouldn’t be in their interests, but it would be good for our movement, since in all likelihood, once C-51 is tested in court it will (eventually) get thrown out as unconstitutional.”

In stark contrast to the ongoing COP 21 summit in Paris, which was proving once again that we can’t wait for our leaders to act on environmental issues, the shutdown of Line 9 also served as an inspiration. Sure enough, on December 21 it happened again. Three activists in Ontario turned off and locked to another Line 9 valve. One said, “It’s clear that tar sands projects represent an ongoing cultural and environmental genocide. I defend the land and water because it is sacred. I have the right to defend anything that threatens my traditions and culture.”

Unfortunately, while these actions demonstrated how effective a few people with bicycle locks can be against a giant corporation, other recent opportunities to resist Enbridge have resulted in compromise. On December 22, 2015—the day after the second pipeline shutdown—the Tribal Council of the Red Lake Nation in northern Minnesota ended their ongoing dispute with Enbridge by accepting an \$18.5 million offer. Four of Enbridge’s pipelines trespass on Red Lake Nation tribal land, and for years members of the Red Lake Nation called for using the land as leverage against the corporation to force them to move the pipelines or halt the flow entirely. However, the decision to exchange land with Enbridge was made behind closed doors by the Tribal Council in a six-to-four vote. Red Lake Executive Administrator Charles Dolson said that \$18.5 million was the “best settlement the tribe could have hoped for.” Highlighting why many people were enraged, Enbridge stated, “This agreement and land swap will allow both parties to meet our present and future interests in this property.” One tribal member stated, “The integrity of our nation was sold.”



*Two activists manually shut down Line 9 at an Ontario station before locking to the valve. December 21, 2015.*

In January, an anonymous statement was posted online, claiming yet another shutdown of an Enbridge pipeline. The statement began: “Sometime in the night of January 3rd ... individuals stole into the dark near so-called Cambridge and used a manual pipeline valve to restrict the flow of Enbridge’s Line 7. We then applied our own locking devices to delay response time.” And again, on January 25, anonymous individuals, admittedly inspired by the previous shutdowns, snuck into a valve station in Ontario and used an electronic valve to stop the flow of tar sands through Line 9. They also closed a Line 7 valve partway that same night. Their statement encourages others to take action, and mocks Enbridge’s shoddy security measures: “For those curious to follow in our stead—Enbridge thinks they’re being all smart by putting on large gold security chains (which can’t be cut with bolt cutters) and lockboxes on the gates. Bypass these by cutting the fence itself. Then all you need are some garden shears (to cut the very, very secure zip tie protecting the electrical panel), your wits and an exit plan.” It seems that these pipeline shutdowns are ongoing—and hopefully these four actions are only the beginning!

It is worth noting that there is a petition to recall the Enbridge-Red Lake agreement. Some tribal members are demanding \$100 million for 66 years of trespassing on their land while others remind that “We all can’t eat or drink money.” Though we may be disappointed in the Tribal Council’s decision, let’s focus our energy on learning from the recent shutdowns. As one activist in the December 7 action said, “There is a general sense that this action has breathed new life into the anti-Line 9 campaign, which NGOs long ago abandoned as unwinnable. For the first time in a long while, activists are expressing optimism that Line 9 can be shut down before it spills. We’ve arrived at a critical juncture, and the time for bold direct action has come.” ✂

# FROM THE CAGES:

# ECO-PRISONERS, SNARED LIBERATIONISTS, AND HOSTAGES OF THE STRUGGLE

This information is compiled by the joint effort of the EF! Prisoner Support Project and the EF! Journal Collective. A broader list of prisoners from allied struggles, a list of arrestees facing charges, and our handy updated Informant Tracker service can be found at [EARTHFIRSTJOURNAL.ORG/PRISONERS](http://EARTHFIRSTJOURNAL.ORG/PRISONERS). To get in touch, email [EFPRIS@RISEUP.NET](mailto:EFPRIS@RISEUP.NET) or write to EF!PSP, PO Box 163126, Sacramento, CA 95816.

## US PRISONERS

### ABDUL HAQQ

(Address envelope to Walter Bond)  
#37096-013, FCI Greenville, PO Box 5000, Greenville, IL  
62246, USA

Serving 12 years (until 03-21-2021) for the "ALF Lone-wolf" arsons of the Tandy Leather Factory and the Tiburon Restaurant (which sold foie gras) in Utah, as well as the Sheepskin Factory in Colorado. [SUPPORTWALTER.ORG](http://SUPPORTWALTER.ORG)

Birthday: April 16

### MARIUS MASON

(Address envelope to M. Mason or Marie Mason)  
#04672-061, FMC Carswell, PO Box 27137, Fort Worth, TX  
76127, USA

Serving 21 years and 10 months (until 09-18-2027) for his involvement in an ELF arson at a university building carrying out genetically modified crop tests. Marius also pleaded guilty to conspiring to carry out ELF actions and admitted involvement in 12 other ELF actions. Join the campaign to move Marius from the extreme isolation of FMC Carswell. [SUPPORTMARIUSMASON.ORG](http://SUPPORTMARIUSMASON.ORG)

Birthday: January 26, 1962

### KEVIN OLLIFF

(Address envelope to Kevin Johnson)  
#47353-424, MCC Chicago, 71 West Van Buren Street,  
Chicago, IL 60605, USA

Kevin (arrested with Tyler Lang, who is out on bail) is an animal liberation activist who completed a 30-month sentence for "possession of burglary tools" on October 21, 2014. He is now awaiting sentencing in early 2016 after pleading guilty to additional charges under the AETA for releasing 2,000 mink and conspiracy to release foxes from fur farms in the Midwest. He is facing up to five years. [SUPPORTKEVINANDTYLER.COM](http://SUPPORTKEVINANDTYLER.COM)

Birthday: March 27, 1987

### REBECCA RUBIN

#98290-011 FCI Dublin, 5701 8th Street - Camp Park,  
Dublin, CA 94568, USA

Rebecca is serving 5 years (until 04-07-2017) for arson and conspiracy charges stemming from ELF actions that occurred between 1996 and 2001, including the fire that destroyed a ski resort in Vail, Colorado. She accepted a non-cooperating plea agreement.

Birthday: April 18, 1973

### JUSTIN SOLONDZ

#98291-011, FCI Oakdale I, PO Box 5000, Oakdale, LA  
71463, USA

Serving 7 years (until 08-31-2017) for a 2001 firebombing of the University of Washington's Center for Urban Horticulture.

Birthday: October 3

### BRIAN VAILLANCOURT

#M42889, Robinson Correctional, 13423 East 1150th  
Ave, Robinson, IL 62454, USA

Arrested in Chicago on February 9, 2013, for an alleged attempted arson at a McDonald's. He is serving a 9-year sentence.

Birthday: September 5, 1964

### FRAN THOMPSON

#1090915, CCC, 3151 Litton Drive, Chillicothe, MO  
64601, USA

Serving life plus 10 years for killing a man in self-defense after he violently entered her home. Before her imprisonment, Fran was an eco, animal & anti-nuke campaigner and it is believed this biased the court against her.

Birthday: January 4

## INTERNATIONAL PRISONERS

### DEBBIE VINCENT

A5819DE, HMP SEND, Ripley Road, Woking, Surrey  
GU23 7LJ, UK

In 2014, Debbie was sentenced to 6 years in prison for "conspiring to blackmail" in relation to the campaign to close down Huntingdon Life Sciences, Europe's largest animal testing corporation.

Birthday: January 12

### MARCO CAMENISCH

PF 1, CH - 9466, Salez, Switzerland

Currently serving 8 years (until 05-2018) for the alleged murder of a customs policeman while on the run. This is his latest sentence from a lifelong commitment to ecological resistance. In 1980, Marco was sentenced to 10 years for damaging electricity pylons and transformers from nuclear power stations in Switzerland. He escaped prison in 1981. In 1991, he was sentenced to 12 years for injuring a *carabiniere* during capture and for an attack against power lines that transported energy produced by French nuclear plants.

Birthday: January 21, 1952



**ALFREDO COSPITO and NICOLA GAI**

Both at: *Casa Circondariale Ferrara, Via Arginone 327, IT- 44122 Ferrara, Italy*

Nicola and Alfredo were arrested on September 14, 2012, for shooting Ansaldo Nucleare manager Roberto Adinolfi in the knee—an action carried out by the Olga nucleus of the FAI/FRI (Informal Anarchist Federation) earlier that year. In May 2015 their sentences were reduced: Alfredo's to 9 years and 5 months, Nicola's to 8 years and 8 months.

**LADISLAV KUC**

*PS 7/6 — Uvtos, Gucmanova 86/670, 92041 Leopoldov, Slovakia*

Ladislav is an animal rights activist sentenced to 25 years (until 2037) for a bombing in front of a McDonald's in 2011. He was accused of illegal possession of arms, manufacturing of explosives, and terrorism. He was caught after almost a year on the run when police tracked down the producer of a timer found at the crime scene and intercepted mail communications between Ladislav and the manufacturer. Ladislav testified that he wanted to attract public attention to the killing of animals. Since there are no prominent animal rights groups in Slovakia or the Czech Republic, Ladislav is especially in need of international support.

Birthdate: April 11, 1975

**VICTORIA PAVLENKO**

Victoria is a Moscow volunteer and animal rights activist sentenced to 1.5 years of prison for saving a dog from the street. Moscow City Court will consider an appeal regarding the verdict for Victoria. [V-PAVLENKO.RU](mailto:V-PAVLENKO.RU)

**ARRESTEES FACING CHARGES****BILLY, COSTA, and SILVIA**

Trial for Silvia Guerini, Costantino 'Costa' Ragusa and Luca 'Billy' Bernasconi began in January 13, 2016, in Turin, Italy. The three had been previously arrested and jailed for several years in Switzerland, accused of having organised an act of sabotage against a nanotechnology research center of IBM, under construction at the time. On April 15 2010, they were stopped and arrested by Swiss police who searched their car and found explosives, as well as leaflets claiming the imminent action under the name 'Earth Liberation Front Switzerland.' Donations can be made to: conto corrente postale intestato a (postal current account payable to) Marta Cattaneo, IBAN: IT11A0760111100001022596116, BIC: BPPIITRRXXX. Please specify donation reason: solidarietà a Silvia Billy Costa (solidarity with Silvia Billy Costa).

**NATASHA and SVEN**

Awaiting extradition from the Netherlands to the UK for charges that could carry 14 years in prison, as part of the Blackmail 3 case with Debbie Vincent (see above). They are currently accepting donations. [FREESVENANDNATASHA.ORG](http://FREESVENANDNATASHA.ORG)

**GIANLUCA GAUDENZI**

Gianluca is currently facing charges in Sweden for damaging at least 121 hunting towers and spray-painting slogans causing roughly \$78,000 in damages. He reportedly stated, "For me it is not a crime... It is a crime to destroy nature and other species." The trial was supposed to begin in November 2015, but seems to have been delayed indefinitely.

**JOSEPH BUDDENBURG and NICOLE KISSANE**

*Out of jail, awaiting bail hearing*

Nicole and Joseph were arrested on July 24, 2015, and federally indicted for Conspiracy to Violate the Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act by allegedly releasing thousands of animals from fur farms and destroying breeding records in Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Wisconsin, and Pennsylvania. The indictment also alleges that they caused economic damage to various retail and distribution businesses and individuals associated with the fur industry. They are currently seeking donations for their defense fund. [SUPPORTNICOLEANDJOSEPH.COM](http://SUPPORTNICOLEANDJOSEPH.COM)

**TYLER LANG**

*Out on bail*

Arrested with Kevin Olliff (see listing above as he is incarcerated) and originally released on a plea deal since he had no prior criminal history. However, he was reindicted under the Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act for releasing mink and foxes from fur farms in the Midwest and has been out on bail. Kevin and Tyler await sentencing in early 2016 for these charges. They both signed non-cooperating plea agreements in which they pleaded guilty to a violation of the AETA that carries a sentence of a maximum of 5 years for freeing about 2,000 mink from a fur farm. [SUPPORTKEVINANDTYLER.COM](http://SUPPORTKEVINANDTYLER.COM)

**FLEDERMAUS, HAMBACH FOREST DEFENDER**

*Nr. 2, JVA Aachen, Krefelderstr, 251, Aachen, Germany*

On January 21, "Fledermaus" was struck by an RWE security car, kidnapped, beaten, and arrested during an action to defend Germany's Hambach Forest from lignite mining. He was taken to the committing magistrate on January 22. He is still detained in the prison in Aachen. Fledermaus did not reveal his identity to the authorities. Fledermaus would be happy about receiving fantasy literature.

*Prisoner information changes frequently as people are shuffled through different facilities. The location of any federal prisoner may be confirmed using the BOP inmate locator. To update the information listed here, please email us at [EFFRIS@RISEUP.NET](mailto:EFFRIS@RISEUP.NET) with "PRISONER PAGE CORRECTION" in the subject line.*

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Rising Tide North America  
RISINGTIDENORTHAMERICA.ORG

TWAC (Trans and/or  
Women's Action Camp)  
TWAC.WORDPRESS.COM

**ARIZONA**  
Black Mesa Indigenous  
Support  
SUPPORTBLACKMESA.ORG

No Más Muertes/No More  
Deaths  
NOMOREDEATHS.ORG

**CALIFORNIA**  
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(805) 708-7817

Save Our Little Lake Valley  
SAVELITTLELAKEVALLEY.ORG

**COLORADO**  
Southwest Earth First!  
SOUTHWESTEARTHFIRST.WORDPRESS.  
COM

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FANG  
(Fighting Against Natural  
Gas)  
FANGTOGETHER.ORG

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Wild Idaho Rising Tide  
WILDIDAHORISINGTIDE.ORG

**INDIANA**  
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Stop the East-West Corridor  
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**MONTANA/IDAHO**  
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Wetlands Activism Collective  
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**OHIO**  
Appalachia Resist!  
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**OKLAHOMA**  
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Resistance  
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Cascadia Forest Defenders  
FORESTDEFENSENOW.COM

Northwest Ecosystem  
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NESTCASCADIA.WORDPRESS.COM

Portland Rising Tide  
PORTLANDRISINGTIDE.ORG

Southern Oregon Rising  
Tide  
SORISINGTIDE.ORG

**TEXAS**  
Tar Sands Blockade  
TARSANDBLOCKADE.ORG

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Front Line Action on Coal  
FRONTLINEACTION.ORG

Rising Tide Australia  
RISINGTIDE.ORG.AU

**CANADA**  
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CLAYOQUOTACTION.ORG

Klabona Keepers  
THEKLABONAKEEPERS.COM

Unist'ot'en Camp  
UNISTOTENCAMP.COM

Vancouver Island  
Community Forest Action  
Network  
FORESTACTION.WIKIDOT.COM

Wildlife Defence League  
WILDLIFEDEFENCELEAGUE.ORG

**ECUADOR**  
Rising Tide Ecuador  
MAREACRECIENTEQUADOR.  
WORDPRESS.COM

**FINLAND**  
Finland Rising Tide  
HYOKYAALTO.ORG

Stop Fennovoima  
FENNOVOIMA.NO.COM

**GERMANY**  
Hambach Forest Occupation  
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**ICELAND**  
Saving Iceland  
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