

Elissa Slotkin said that she would shut down the Line 5 Pipeline “immediately.” This could cause gas prices to surge even higher, leading Michiganders to pay even more for gas.

BACKUP:

Slotkin supports shutting down the Line 5 pipeline which could cause gas prices to surge even higher, leading Michiganders to pay even more for gas:

- **VIDEO: In August 2018, Slotkin: “I would shut down Line 5 immediately [applause.] Shut it down.”** (Elissa Slotkin, Remarks At Campaign Event, Oxford, MI, [CLIP](#), 8/19/18)
- **In 2021 it was reported that Biden’s plan to close Line 5 could cause gas prices to surge.** “Millions of Americans could face even higher energy bills this winter if the Biden administration closes a gas and oil pipeline running through Michigan, a group of Midwest lawmakers has warned.” (Matt Cannon, “Biden Shutting Down Line 5 Pipeline Could Send Gas Prices Surging,” [Newsweek](#), 11/8/2021)
 - “Line 5 pipeline could be under threat due to the White House exploring the potential impact of closing it on fuel prices in the region, according to a recent Politico report, amid a drive to reduce the U.S.’s dependence on fossil fuels.” (Matt Cannon, “Biden Shutting Down Line 5 Pipeline Could Send Gas Prices Surging,” [Newsweek](#), 11/8/2021)
- **Although Americans are already paying an average of \$4 per gallon of gasoline, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer is fighting to shut down Enbridge’s Line 5 pipeline, which could cause consumers across the Midwest to pay even more for gasoline.** “Americans are already paying an average of \$4 for a gallon of gasoline these days. And if Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer succeeds in shutting down Enbridge’s Line 5 pipeline, consumers will pay even more in the Midwest. Ms. Whitmer is fighting Enbridge in state and federal court with the goal of compelling the closure of Line 5, a crucial pipeline carrying fossil fuels between Canada and several U.S. states. Her campaign is contrary to a U.S. treaty with Canada, not that she seems to care.” (Editorial Board, “Whitmer Wants Higher Gas Prices,” [The Wall Street Journal](#), 3/14/22)
- **Line 5 moves more than half a million barrels of oil and natural gas liquids each day throughout Canada and Great Lakes region and there is no prepared alternative.** Line 5 moves more than half a million barrels of oil and natural gas liquids each day throughout Canada and the Great Lakes region, and there’s no ready alternative to transport this amount of energy. The report predicts a closure would mean that ‘refineries in Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Ontario, and Quebec would lose about 45% of their crude oil input.’ They’d have to scale back operations or shut down, which would constrict the fuel supply and jack up the price of gasoline and diesel for years.” (Editorial Board, “Whitmer Wants Higher Gas Prices,” [The Wall Street Journal](#), 3/14/22)
- **According to the Consumer Energy Alliance, if the attempt to shut down Line 5 is successful, consumers in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and Pennsylvania will pay an additional \$4.75 billion or more each year for gasoline and diesel fuel.** “But maybe in an election year she’ll care that if she prevails, consumers in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Pennsylvania will pay an additional \$4.756 billion or more each year for gasoline and diesel

fuel, according to a new report from the Consumer Energy Alliance, a business and consumer advocacy group.” (Editorial Board, “Whitmer Wants Higher Gas Prices,” [The Wall Street Journal](#), 3/14/22)

- **According to the Consumer Energy Alliance’s study, shutting down Line 5 would drive up the cost of gasoline and diesel from 9.47% to 11.66% independent of other market conditions.** “Their study estimates Ms. Whitmer’s bow to the climate lobby would drive up the cost of gasoline and diesel from 9.47% to 11.66%. The authors say this estimate is ‘independent of any other market conditions, such as the surge in fuel prices observed over the past 12 months that are tied to international oil markets and logistical challenges caused by the pandemic.’” (Editorial Board, “Whitmer Wants Higher Gas Prices,” [The Wall Street Journal](#), 3/14/22)
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- **“At a time when the U.S. should be focusing on energy stability and security, Ms. Whitmer’s ideological hostility to pipelines threatens more economic harm and consumer pain.”** (Editorial Board, “Whitmer Wants Higher Gas Prices,” [The Wall Street Journal](#), 3/14/22)