

## About our Organization

The **Straits Area Concerned Citizens for Peace, Justice, and the Environment (SACCPJE)** was founded in Cheboygan in 2006. Our mission statement is our name. We are a volunteer, grassroots group and do not identify with any political party.

We proudly admit an emotional attachment to Pure Michigan, our unspoiled woods and waters, and of course the Straits of Mackinac. The Straits defines our group - making it much more than just a place on a map.

We support transitioning to clean energy sources, but are realistic about the current need for fossil fuel. Pipelines are the safest way to transport oil and gas. Enbridge Line 5 runs 645 miles from Superior, Wisconsin delivering petroleum products from western Canada and the U.S. primarily to refineries near Sarnia, Ontario.

**Our concern is the safety** of a 62 year-old pipeline using a Michigan shortcut and crossing countless wetlands, streams, over 20 rivers, and our beautiful Straits. We fear a major spill in the Straits, or in waters which flow into the Great Lakes.

This packet contains documents which provide background for community resolutions calling on the Governor of Michigan to exercise his statutory authority to restrict the flow of oil through the Straits segment of the pipeline until it can be certified by independent experts that the pipeline can be operated safely.

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