



“Watchdogs of the Prairie”

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First new DRC local chapter in 11 years
Fort Berthold residents form DRC chapter!
Celebration and information booths June 26 to launch FB POWER

PARSHALL ND --- DRC members on Fort Berthold will launch a new local chapter of Dakota Resource Council on Friday, June 26 with a celebration and issue information sessions. The event will be held at the American Legion in Parshall from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Fort Berthold POWER (Protectors of Water and Earth Rights) is an active group of concerned citizens who support the citizen's efforts of working together to address impacts of oil and gas industrialization to our communities and homelands.

Joletta Bird Bear, Interim President, will lead off the day's activities and will be joined by DRC Director Don Morrison and DRC Organizer Nicole Donaghy. Long time DRC member Marilyn Hudson will talk about Fort Berthold history, Sebastian Braun will show and discuss mapping of oil and development impacts, Thomas Abe will talk about water on Fort Berthold and the DRC movie "This Is Our Country: Living with a Wild West Oil Boom" will be shown.

Exhibits will include:

- Theodora Bird Bear - *"Oil Industrialization in Pictures: Crestwood/Arrow Pipeline Spills; Illegal Dumping, Drilling under Lake Sakakawea, Hidden Environmental Costs, and Hazardous Spills."*
- Nueta, Hidatsa, and Sanish College Students represented by Lisa Deville - *"Impacts of oil development on groundwater wells on Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; Gas Flaring in North Dakota on Fort Berthold Indian Reservation; Quantities, Qualities, and Non-regulation"*
- Marilyn Hudson, *"Historical Context of the Oil Boom on the Fort Berthold Reservation and Impacts of the Bakken Oil Boom on the*

FB POWER is a volunteer association of concerned citizens who have organized to affect positive change on environmental issues affecting all lands within the Fort Berthold boundaries. The group has developed a mission statement and bylaws. FB POWER is the first new local chapter of Dakota Resource Council since the South Agassiz Resource Council was founded in Fargo in 2005.

You are invited to stop in and learn more about FB POWER on Friday and we invite you to become a member. A lunch will be sold at this event. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Nicole in the DRC office [701-224-8587](tel:701-224-8587).

Sincerely,
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DRC Field Organizer