

ROUND VALLEY INDIAN TRIBES
A Sovereign Nation of Confederated Tribes

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LOCATION: ON STATE HWY 162
ONE MILE NORTH OF COVELO
IN ROUND VALLEY
TRIBAL TERRITORY SINCE TIME BEGAN

ROUND VALLEY RESERVATION ESTABLISHED 1856

August 26, 2016

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Dear Chairman Archambault:

We, with the Round Valley Indian Tribes stand in solidarity with the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and other Sioux Indian Nations, and all other Native Nations, in defense of your sacred ancestral homelands and of our Mother Earth.

Today you stand on the frontline of American indigenous peoples' fight for survival.


Your fight is fundamental to who and what we all are as indigenous peoples. Your fight to protect the land from invasion and destruction, to protect our water and air from contamination and ruin, and to protect our ancestors from disturbance, implicates our very existence as indigenous peoples—since time immemorial and forever.

We are particularly troubled by the United States' apparent failure to consult with the Standing Rock Sioux and other affected Sioux Peoples and to obtain their informed consent before developing sacred Sioux Indian homelands and disturbing ancestral sites.

You and those standing with you are today's real Indian warriors. You all are fighting for us all. We urge you all to never relent; to forge ahead no matter the legal odds. We draw inspiration and strength from each and every one of you, here in our homelands.

Please let us know how we can further aid you all.

In Solidarity,


James Russ, President
Round Valley Indian Tribes