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BRYAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SUBJECT: Undercover Investigation into the GPTSR Training Camp

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On March 17th 2013 at approximately 22:30 we arrived at the training camp located in the northern section of Noble County. The training camp was located on both the northwest corner and southwest corner of N3190 Road and E340 Road. This Investigator learned that this training site was the home and land of the late Oklahoma Governor Henry Bellmon. A female descendant of the late governor now resides at the property.

Upon arrival we were contacted by a security detail located at the entrance. This Investigator along with his partner was asked to exit the vehicle and go to a table located at the entrance. At the table we were given a liability form to sign. We were also given a Jail Support Form sheet to complete in case we were arrested. We were repeatedly told that this was a substance free camp. No drug or alcohol use would be permitted on the premises and always ask permission before touching anyone. Investigators were told that we did not need to give the police any reason to enter the camp.

We were provided a pamphlet of the training camps schedule and workshops. The pamphlet also contained the training camps rules and code of conduct. The pamphlet also warned that if you were an agent of TransCanada or FBI or any other police agency to immediately inform the Great Plains Tar Sands Resistance. That night we set our tents and went to sleep.

The next morning a wake up call was made at 07:15. From approximately 08:00 to 23:00 we attended presentations, training tracks, and Action Plain meeting. That morning the resistance members were asked to meet at the barn for the opening ceremony. Approximately 65 people were present at the barn. The opening ceremony started with Casey Camp who is a member of the Ponca Nation. Casey Camp spoke of how TransCanada was destroying the land, and how the ConocoPhillips Refinery was responsible for deaths and illnesses of many of the Ponca Indians.

Another speaker was Carter Camp who was one of the leaders of A.I.M. (the American Indian Movement) and figured prominently in the standoff at Wounded Knee in 1973. Carter Camp talked more about corrupted law enforcement and government. Carter Camp

also talked a great deal about being a warrior and taking action. Much of Casey Camp and Carter Camp's speech can be seen on www.youtube.com under the title "Tar Sands Resistance - Ponca Nation Speaks"

Cameras were not allowed during any part of the training. The few that identified themselves as independent journalist had to ask permission before filming. During the opening ceremony many that did not wish to be filmed had their faces concealed and stood away from camera view. This Investigator observed many people at the camp came from New England states. Most members spoke of being college educated. Several members spoke of attending Ivey league schools. Their ages ranged from 20 to 60 years old with the largest number being in the 20's age.

This Investigator has broken down resistance members into the following groups based off observations and response to questions and comments:

- **Group 1** consisted of several eco-activists. Some participants truly wanted to live off the grid and get away from all forms of government. Several of these members had already been affiliated with the Great Plains Tar Sands Resistance and the Texas Tar Sands Blockade. They talked about various counties they had been arrested in with a sense of pride.
- **Group 2** consisted of several people that had originally been Occupy members and had migrated across the country protesting various issues. Some of these people knew each other from Occupy Wall Street or other Occupy events. Some did not know each other but unknowingly had been to many of the same Occupy events at the same time.
- **Group 3** consisted of Native American activist who blamed all forms of government for the poor state of being that most American Indians are living in. Several members of A.I.M. (the American Indian Movement) were present during the camp. A.I.M. members were mostly late teens to early twenty year old Indian males. A.I.M. members dressed in camouflage BDU's with a large circled A.I.M. patch displayed on the back. Several A.I.M. members kept their faces concealed during the training camp. Members of A.I.M. did not attend training with the rest of the resistance members. This Investigator observed A.I.M. members conducting drills on a military-style obstacle course which required jumping, doing flips in the air, and low crawling.
- **Group 4** consisted of a smaller group of Anarchists that appeared to have no real tie to eco-activisms or any other interest group or movement. The only interest appeared to be doing away with governments, capitalism and corporations. This small group consisted of late teens and early twenty year old white males. Many wore upside down American flags on jackets and backpacks.

- **Group 5** consisted of the smallest group being locals from Oklahoma without extreme views that had concerns over the pipeline harming the community. This Investigator could likely count this group on one hand.

Coordinators / Instructors at the training camp would be listed into the group 1 category. None of the Coordinators or Instructors spoke of previous involvement with any of the Occupy movements. Most Coordinators / Instructors appeared to be closely tied to The Great Plains Tar Sands Resistance or the Texas Tar Sands Blockade. Coordinators / Instructors were generally white males and females with ages ranging from mid 20's to early 30's. Coordinators / Instructors only referred to themselves by one name. Most of the names were nicknames or fictitious names to conceal identities. Ron Seifert was the only Coordinator/ Instructor whose name was fully known due to his position as the GPTSR spokes person. All Coordinators / Instructor wore green arm bands.

The first training course was an exercise involving a Coordinator / Instructor who would give members a scenario and asked them to stand in a certain spot if they considered the action violent or stand in another spot if they considered the action nonviolent. One of the scenarios given was the fire bombing of an empty office. The majority present walked to the nonviolent section. One person, who classified this action as nonviolent, stated that setting fire to an empty office would be nonviolent due to the office not being a living creature that feels pain. The majority agreed with this view. A second scenario proposed by a Coordinator / Instructor, involved approaching a CEO and throwing a pie in his face. The majority agreed that this would be violent but would not be harmful and agreed this would bring media attention and shine light onto the resistance. Several other scenarios were given.

After the first day of training track the Action Planning meeting was held at approximately 22:30 in a fielded area away from structures and camp sites. Before the Action Planning meeting began a Coordinator / Instructor brought a green bucket to the gathering and stated we are now going tech free. Everyone was then asked to place their phones into the bucket. Once all the phones were placed in the bucket a Coordinator carried the bucket away. At that time members were informed of the different color groups that they could be assigned. They are as follows:

- a) The **Red Team** consisted of members that would be most certain to be arrested due to being attached to equipment.
- b) The **Orange Team** consisted of members that also had a high likelihood of being arrested but would not be attached to construction equipment. Most of the Orange Team members would be assigned to provide aid to the Red Team members and speak on behalf of Red Team members when questioned by law enforcement.
Orange Team
- c) The **Yellow Team** members consisted of photographers and media runners who would be collecting SD cards from the photographers and running them to an

awaiting media driver while attempting to avoid law enforcement. The Media Driver would then transport the SD cards to an off-site location where media would be sent out to various media sources and placed onto websites such as www.youtube.com and Twitter accounts.

- d) The **GREEN TEAM** consisted of members that had the less chance of arrest. Green Team members generally hold signs and banners.

Red team did not discuss their assigned duties to anyone outside the red team. The teams were never given the location of the Action Plan for security reason. This Investigator was able to obtain an approximate location based off a question that he asked to the person in charge of media. The question was regarding the possibility of running out of SD cards and the nearest location to obtain additional SD cards. Media supervisor provided this Investigator the approximate travel time to two different cities where SD card could be purchased. Once the first Action Plan meeting was done a Coordinator brought back the green buckets and informed everyone they could retrieve their phones. The Action Plan meeting lasted approximately one hour. It did not appear to Investigators that our phones had been tampered with by staff.

One Instructor that caught this Investigators attention was a tall white male appearing to be in his mid twenties. This Instructor was identified only as "DEMO". Demo did not appear to have the same clothing or hair style or appearance of other Coordinators / Instructors. Demo appeared more like mainstream society. Demo instructed a track pertaining to pipeline equipment. Demo in great detail explained how each piece of equipment is used Michaels in clearing a path. Demo in great detail explained how each section of pipeline has an assigned location despite most of the pipes are the same in size. Demo talked briefly about the robots used in the pipeline. Demo also expressed concerns about KXL's plan to test the pipes using water with a higher PSI than what will normally be used. Demo informed the class that the surveying crews often leave thousands of dollars worth of equipment unattended "such as the drones on the tripods". One member who attended named "██████" asked if he could take the equipment such as the tripod. Demo replied "I'm just saying it is often left unattended". ██████ smiled and nodded his head. Demo explained that the pipes were being made in three locations. One of the locations is India. From India pipes go onto a ship and sent to the port of New Orleans. From the Port of New Orleans the pipes go onto railcars. Each railcar can hold 6 to 9 pipes. The pipes then go to a pipe yard and are then sent out by trucks to the site. Demo stated further action plans will take place to the railway. Demo stated this would be very effective if one had knowledge of the right railway tracks and times being transported. During this class it was also discussed having resistance members gain employment with refineries and obtaining positions in a controlled area and over a course of time slowly sabotage the plant.

Investigators were assigned to the basic blockade training. An advanced blockade training course was also held at the same time for members that had been involved in past training camps such as the "Moccasins on the Ground". Basic blockade members were

kept away from the advanced training. Investigators did observe were the advanced training had been held on the property. Investigators observed long wooden poles and ropes giving the Investigators the impression that the advanced course members were training in high angle rappelling.

Investigators had befriended one member of the camp who was later asked to leave. The day before the Action Plan was going to take affect "██████" was informed that members of his Team was neither comfortable with him nor did any other Team want him. A Coordinator, "██████", asked him to leave the camp and he was escorted off the camp by this Investigator's partner, who had gained a great deal of trust among the staff and other resistance members attending.

Earlier in the day during a break, ██████ had approached Investigators and advised us to leave if things started to look odd. This person stated he had been a follower of the Occupy movement and had participated in several protests ranging from Wall Street, Austin Bank protest and the Moccasins on the Ground held in Texas. He stated this was the first time he had ever seen classes being taught on how to stalk law enforcement officers outdoors. Both Investigators witnessed this training being conducted. A person was asked to sit on the ground with a blindfold covering view. Team members had to see how close they could get to the person before being heard. This training was for creeping up on law enforcement and security personnel at night.

It appears that most Action Plans will take place between 02:00 and 03:00. The early timing is to allow resistance members time to do counter surveillance of the protest locations and to get into position before work crews arrive. The goal is to have the protest take place at first dawn. Those being arrested are more likely to get an initial court appearance that day if the arrest occurs early in the day.

GPTSR spokesperson, Ron Seifert, instructed a course on police liaison training. This course, in Ron Seifert's own words, is nothing more than a stall tactic used on law enforcement to keep the protest going as long as possible. The police liaison person is trained to dress to what mainstream society deems to be a sociably acceptable appearance. The police liaison will never provide law enforcement the name of who is in charge. The police liaison person is trained not to shake hands for fear that extending your hand out to a law enforcement officer in greeting could by some officers be considered a form of an assault on a police officer. The police liaison's only job is to buy time for the protesters while awaiting media attention.

For any additional questions regarding GPTSR training and strategies contact this office.

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