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Could this author be any more partisan? Discounting Obama's stated reasons for saying no when the artificial deadline was set by the Republican congress, is key to the Republican plan to make this a political football. The previous study of the plan was scrapped because of the conflict of interest concern about the company that studied the environmental impact, especially when the danger to the multi state aquifer was confronted. The rally cry of jobs is weak cover for the environmental impact. This strident attack is pure partisanship in the grand tradition of yellow journalistic hyperbolae.

"he stands naked as an ideologue willing to sacrifice workers on the altar of special-interest politics."

Really? The environment and climate change is a special interest? I thought Trans Canada and the oil industry was the special interest here.

So how many jobs would the pipeline have created? According to TransCanada Corp., the oil company proposing the 1,700 mile pipeline, the figures range around 20,000 jobs in America, with 13,000 in construction and 7,000 in manufacturing.

According to CBS, the US Chamber of Commerce had even more optimistic estimates of 250,000 permanent jobs in the United States. But that figure, touted by legislators as reason to support the bill, may be inflated. Transcanada forecast 20,000 temporary jobs and "hundreds of permanent position.

The US State Department's more recent estimates were much more modest, ranging from 5,000 to 6,000 jobs in America. An independent

review of the pipeline by the Cornell University Global Labor Institute put the job creation figures at 500 to 1,400 temporary construction jobs, CBS reported.

The Washington Post reported the 250,000 new jobs claim, in reality, is around half the amount.

Boehner, speaking to Congress on Wednesday, reaffirmed the Post's report, saying the Keystone pipeline would create 100,000 new jobs.

In a statement, President Obama stressed that the rejection was “not a judgment on the merits of the pipeline, but the arbitrary nature of a deadline” that did not allow for sufficient environmental review and rerouting of the pipeline, avoiding the more sensitive parts of Nebraska, according to the Associated Press.

<http://www.globalpost.com/dispatch/news/regions/americas/united-states/120119/keystone-xl-how-many-jobs-would-it-create>

Sincerely, Dale