While researching the Dakota Access Pipeline in 2016 to see how the Sioux and other American Indian Nations can protect themselves from private enterprise projects like pipelines and mining, I discovered several articles within the 1868 Fort Laramie Treaty that made the Sioux owners of the water that is on, adjacent to, and near the reservations. The United States promised to honor that ownership and not allow any threats to the water supply of the Sioux. The Dakota Access Pipeline is a direct violation of this agreement.