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Comments: I support returning this land to the First Nations people. It seems as though land acknowledgments have become a way to say, "I'm not sorry, I stole everything from you...but, I'm going to keep it, and negotiate its future use without you".

The notion that this land is vital for school funding is laughable. Minneapolis Public Schools got a little over a million dollars and Saint Paul Public Schools got \$1.8 million last year...ultimately, that doesn't go very far considering our massive debt. In a state that prides itself in being progressive-be progressive and return as much of this land as possible to the descendants of those that it was stolen from.

The harm caused to the First Nations people of this country is ongoing and getting worse in the form of bulldozed encampments and the privatization of social services by for-profit companies using opioid settlement money to support startups and venture capital social services businesses.

Give the land back, and let's find other ways to survive without making the land bleed. I have love for anyone who works a job and is just trying to support a family, so this would have to include workforce development for people in the Iron Range, and assistance for them as the transition to clean energy continues...which has ample funding.

There is no statute of limitations on Genocide. Return the land to the people who have been ripped from the River, the lakes, and the beauty that belongs to them.