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During this period, the conversation on social media was dominated by discussion of winter weather and attributions to climate change. This was largely driven by the snowstorm that swept across the Southern U.S. late last week and through the weekend, with a popular narrative on Twitter combatting the idea that this was a "Christmas miracle" and instead blaming climate change for the weather. There was some additional conversation around the continued wildfires in California, including an article in the New York Times alleging that these fires will be the new normal for the area. Additionally, during this reporting period, we saw some discussion arise around protests and pushback against Keystone XL. This includes a group of environmental protesters who interrupted the "Wells Fargo Investment Thought Leadership Forum" to demand banks stop funding the Keystone XL pipeline. A statement from Friends of the Earth also took a stand on Keystone XL, joining with other environmental groups in asking President Trump to change the proposed route of the pipeline to protect the environment. Additionally, we saw traction behind a petition nearly 15,000 strong from people declaring they will stand with the Paris Agreement.

Thanks,
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