

# MEETING MINUTES

PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC (PennEast) (Applicant)

Docket Number PF15-1-000

PennEast Pipeline Project

Bi-Weekly Conference Call

DATE February 18, 2015 10:30 AM (EDT)

## Schedule/Reminders

- Next call: Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 10:30 AM (EDT)

## Attendees

FERC	Tetra Tech	PennEast	Agencies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Medha Kochhar</li><li>Alisa Lykens</li><li>Jennifer Kerrigan</li><li>Nancy Fox-Fernandez</li><li>Eric Howard</li><li>Kandilarya Barakat</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sean Sparks</li><li>John Scott</li><li>Nathalie Schils</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Anthony Cox</li><li>Mike Mara</li><li>Alisa Harris</li><li>Dante D'Alessandro</li><li>Brian Woodard</li><li>Jeff England</li><li>Bernie Holcomb (URS)</li><li>Jon West (URS)</li><li>Randy Bostick (Quanta Engineering)</li><li>Jay Seegers (Vinson &amp; Elkins)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Glenn Weitknecht (USACE)</li><li>Tom UyBarreta (USEPA)</li><li>Karen Gentile (PHMSA)</li><li>Alex Dankanich (PHMSA)</li><li>Kayla Easler (USFWS)</li><li>Pamela Shellenberger (USFWS)</li><li>Timothy Brill (NJDEP - Department of Agriculture)</li><li>Ruth Foster (NJDEP - Office of Permit Coordination)</li><li>Mike Palmquist (NJDEP – Land Use Enforcement)</li><li>Margaret Nordstrom (NJDEP - NJ Highlands Commission)</li><li>Kelly Davis (NJDEP – NHRG Fish and Wildlife)</li><li>Ken Najjar (DRBC)</li><li>Eric Engle (DRBC)</li></ul>

## Discussion Items

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1.	<p><b>PennEast Status Updates</b></p> <p><u>Project Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Customers and Interconnecting Parties</li><li>Alternative Compressor Station sites under evaluation in Carbon County</li></ul> <p><u>Land and Environmental Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Survey access updates</li></ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Survey progress updates</li> </ul> <p><u>Engineering Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Re-Routes and/or deviations resulting from comments</li> </ul> <p><u>Outreach</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Update on agency and county meetings</li> <li>- Status of outreach from transmission line reroute</li> </ul>
2.	<p><b>FERC Status Updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tracking and logging comments (City of Lambertville, Luzerne County Flood Protection Authority, South Hunterdon Regional School District, Kingwood Township, Durham Township, Natural Heritage Areas, Hexenkopf Mountain cultural sites)</li> <li>- Scoping meetings and locations                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Wednesday, February 25, 2015 6 PM West Trenton Ballroom 40 W. Upper Ferry Road West Trenton, New Jersey 08628</li> <li>o Thursday, February 26, 2015 6 PM The Grand Colonial 86 Route 173 West Hampton, New Jersey 08827</li> </ul> </li> <li>- PennEast participation</li> <li>- Inter-agency meeting in New Jersey                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Thursday, February 26, 2015 10:00 am NJDEP office at 401 E. State Street, Trenton, NJ 08625, 7th floor conference room.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- PennEast participation</li> </ul>
3.	<p><b>Other items</b></p>

**FERC Updates**

- Review of comments to the FERC eLibrary is ongoing.
- The two scoping meetings, originally scheduled for January 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, have been rescheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.
- PennEast will provide a brief Project description at the beginning of the scoping meetings, and will arrive at 5 PM to answer additional questions before the scoping meeting starts. FERC requested that PennEast bring alignment sheets for public review (digital and hard copy).
- An inter-agency meeting is scheduled for February 26<sup>th</sup> at the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection office in Trenton, New Jersey. Two representatives from PennEast will provide a brief status update on the Project and answer any questions from the agencies at the beginning of the meeting. PennEast will not attend the actual inter-agency meeting.

- FERC requested that PennEast ensure that outreach to and communication with all concerned stakeholders is sufficient to address as many issues and concerns prior to the application submittal.
- FERC requested that future maps document previous alternatives so that is clear what modifications have been made.
- FERC reminded PennEast that they will have 14 days after the end of the comment period (February 27<sup>th</sup>) to respond to scoping comments.

#### **PennEast Updates**

- PennEast may execute one additional contract in the next couple weeks, which may require an additional interconnect.
- There are no updates on the compressor station sites. PennEast is currently proposing one compressor station which will be located on one of two sites, both of which are currently under review and are located in Kidder Township, New Jersey.
- Survey permission has been received for approximately 55 percent of the parcels along the entire route, including 66 percent in Pennsylvania and 32 percent in New Jersey, as well as approximately 50 percent on each lateral.
- Survey work has been temporarily suspended due to colder/frost weather.
- PennEast will conduct a background noise assessment at the two compressor station sites in the following weeks, to be included in their application.
- PennEast continues to evaluate minor re-routes based on survey data and information received from landowners. PennEast will provide updated shapefiles of the route as needed.
- PennEast released its Economic Impact Study, performed by Econsult Solutions and Drexel University on Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. PennEast intends to release its Consumer Benefit Study in March.

#### **Agency Input**

- Tim Brill (NJDEP) asked if PennEast could provide a preliminary cross section of how the pipeline is intended to be constructed in relation to the existing power line easement in the Power Line Re-Route (now the preferred route) in New Jersey, particularly the location of temporary workspace and the pipeline permanent right-of-way.
  - PennEast is currently considering five different scenarios, with different size corridors, and is negotiating with the power company to determine a preferred option. PennEast's goal is to minimize additional impacts outside of the existing right-of-way. PennEast is not currently able to release cross sections until approval is received from the power company.

#### **Questions/Additional Comments from FERC**

- None.