

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

ETC Tiger Pipeline, LLC

Docket No. CP09-460-000

NOTICE OF SCHEDULE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW
FOR THE ETC TIGER PIPELINE PROJECT

(December 3, 2009)

On August 31, 2009, ETC Tiger Pipeline, LLC (ETC Tiger) filed an application in Docket No. CP09-460-000 requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act to construct and operate certain natural gas pipeline facilities. The proposed project is known as the ETC Tiger Pipeline Project, and would transport natural gas from the Haynesville Shale production area in northwest Louisiana and east Texas to Midwest, Northeast, and Southeast markets. The proposed project would be designed and constructed to receive and transport about 2 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day.

On September 10, 2009, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission or FERC) issued its Notice of Application for the Project. Among other things, that notice alerted agencies issuing federal authorizations of the requirement to complete all necessary reviews and to reach a final decision on a request for a federal authorization within 90 days of the date of issuance of the Commission staff's Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project. The instant notice identifies the FERC staff's planned schedule for the completion of the EA for the Project.

Schedule for Environmental Review

Issuance of EA	January 26, 2010
90-day Federal Authorization Decision Deadline	April 26, 2010

If a schedule change becomes necessary, additional notice will be provided so that the relevant agencies are kept informed of the Project's progress.

Project Description

ETC Tiger proposes to construct and operate about 175 miles of 42-inch-diameter pipeline in Panola County, Texas; and Caddo, De Soto, Red River, Bienville, Jackson, Ouachita, and Richland Parishes, Louisiana. Four compressor stations would also be constructed with approximately 113,000 combined horsepower in Panola County, Texas; and Red River, Bienville, Jackson, and Franklin Parishes, Louisiana.

Background

On May 15, 2009, the Commission issued a *Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed ETC Tiger Pipeline Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues* (NOI). The NOI was sent to affected landowners; federal, state, and local government agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; other interested parties; and local libraries and newspapers. In response to the NOI, the Commission received comments from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USCOE); the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS); the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS); Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD); Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF); the Department of Health and Human Services; CenterPoint Energy Gas Transmission Company; and three landowners. The primary issues raised by the commentors are width of construction right-of-way; impacts to threatened and endangered species; crossing of waterbodies and wetlands; crossing wetland reserve program lands and wildlife management areas; and impacts to landowners' properties.

The USCOE, USFWS, NRCS, TPWD, and LDWF are cooperating agencies in the preparation of the EA.

Additional Information

In order to receive notification of the issuance of the EA and to keep track of all formal issuances and submittals in specific dockets, the Commission offers a free service called eSubscription. This can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings by automatically providing you with notification of these filings, document summaries and direct links to the documents. Go to www.ferc.gov/esubscribenow.htm.

Additional information about the Project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs at 1-866-208-FERC (3372) or on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov). Using the "eLibrary" link, select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (i.e., CP09-460), and follow the instructions. For assistance with access to eLibrary, the helpline can be reached at 1-866-208-3676, TTY (202) 502-8659, or at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov. The eLibrary link on the FERC website also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rule makings.

Additional information about the Project can be obtained by contacting the Environmental Project Manager, John J. Wisniewski, by telephone at (202) 502-8052 or by electronic mail at John.Wisniewski@ferc.gov.

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