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# SOUTH GATE EXTENSION

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## MVP Southgate History

- Originally proposed in 2018 as a 75-mile methane gas pipeline extension off of Mountain Valley Pipeline Mainline (Virginia and West Virginia) from Pittsylvania County, VA into Rockingham & Alamance County, NC.
- Southgate received its original certificate in 2020 from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).
- Construction never began as the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality twice denied MVP Southgate a crucial water quality permit and the Virginia Air Pollution Control Board denied a critical air permit for Southgate's proposed Lambert Compressor Station in Virginia in 2021, due to environmental justice concerns.

## Southgate's Major Changes

- In December 2023, MVP announced a new design for Southgate, including changing the route to 31 miles, increasing the pipe diameter to 30 inches, and increasing the capacity nearly 50 percent to 550,000 dekatherms (550 million cubic feet) per day.
- MVP has now applied for an amendment to its original FERC certificate for Southgate, Docket #CP25-60
- During the amendment's brief comment period over 12,500 members of the public weighed in, including community leaders and advocacy organizations, as well as 19 Virginia legislators. The vast majority of comments (80%) urged FERC to deny Southgate's amendment request.

## Quick Facts

- The new MVP Southgate project is proposed to be a 31 mile, 30-inch-diameter high pressure, fracked methane gas pipeline between Pittsylvania County, Virginia, and Rockingham County, North Carolina
- Requires 100 feet of easement (clear cutting) during construction, and a 50 foot permanent easement
- Any jobs or tax revenue created by the construction of the pipeline will be minimal and short term

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### Dangers & Risks of MVP Southgate

- Pipeline owner has been cited for more than 500 violations of permit conditions and laws in its construction of MVP Mainline in West Virginia and Virginia
- Southgate is proposed to carry a harmful and highly explosive gas known as Methane, often misleadingly referred to as “natural gas”
- While being transported, Methane leaks into soil, water and air, causing air quality issues and contributing to human health problems, such as asthma and other respiratory illnesses
- In its crossing of streams and tributaries throughout the Dan River Watershed, Southgate would destroy habitats and recreational sites, and poses ongoing threats to water quality for downstream users
- Methane traps heat in the atmosphere, and is a major driver of extreme weather caused by climate change

### MVP Southgate Timeline

- June 2020: FERC Certificate granted
- August 2020 & April 2021: NC DEQ denies Southgate’s water permit
- December 2021: Virginia Air Pollution Control Board denies Southgate’s air pollution permit
- December 2023: FERC Certificate extended
- February 2025: Amendment application filed
- April 2025: Army Corps 404 permits applied for, public comment periods to be announced
- 2025-2026: State-level permits will be applied for, includes public comment periods
- Late 2026: Targeted construction
- Mid 2028: Targeted completion

### What you can do now:

- **Spread awareness** Talk to your family, friends and neighbors about these issues and share links and resources at [stopmvpsouthgate.com](https://stopmvpsouthgate.com)
- **Stay informed & get involved** Check for updates, permit comment period announcements & how-to guides at [stopmvpsouthgate.com](https://stopmvpsouthgate.com)
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