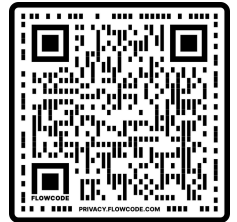




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Overview of Transco Southeast Supply Enhancement Project (SSEP)

- Williams Companies currently operates the 10,000-mile Transcontinental (Transco) pipeline, which carries methane gas from Texas through the Southeast to New York City.
- Transco has proposed an enormous, high-pressure expansion called the Southeast Supply Enhancement Project (SSEP). SSEP would pump 1.6 billion cubic feet of methane gas per day through a 42 inch diameter pipeline. That is the same as trying to move 18,123 full Olympic sized swimming pools through a hula hoop per day.
- If approved, SSEP would include expansion in five states: VA, NC, SC, GA, and AL
 - In Virginia: Approximately 26 miles of 42"-wide pipeline next to 3-4 existing pipelines, and the addition of two large compressor units (electric) at Compressor Station 165 in Pittsylvania County
 - In North Carolina: Approximately 28 miles of 42"-wide pipeline next to existing pipelines in Rockingham, Guilford, Forsyth, and Davidson Counties and a large increase in compressor station capacity in Iredell (Station 150) and Davidson (Station 155) which will be gas-fired
- SSEP would impact many of the same families and waterways already at risk by the proposed Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) Southgate pipeline.
- In May 2024, communities in New York defeated Transco's methane gas Northeast Supply Enhancement Project. It is possible to beat these unnecessary polluting projects, and we have before, including when we stopped the Atlantic Coast Pipeline and Chickahominy Pipeline.

Dangers of SSEP & Transco's Poor Safety Record

- Methane is a poisonous, undetectable gas that can explode without warning, and the Transco system has one of the worst safety records.
- As methane is pushed through pipelines at high pressure, it leaks and contaminates the air, water, and soil, contributing to harmful human health effects and hurting plants and animals.
- Burning methane at compressor stations and power plants releases not only carbon dioxide but also toxic air pollutants, causing an increased risk of respiratory, cardiovascular, and neurological diseases and higher death rates.
- Explosions and fires at pipelines and compressor stations, while infrequent, can be catastrophic. Pipelines have previously exploded without warning, causing injuries, deaths, and millions in damages.

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Impacted landowners: talk to a lawyer & WAIT to sign!

- Do not sign an easement right away. It is not in your best interest to sign early or take the first offer. Talk to a lawyer first.
- Remember that land agents are hired by and answer only to the pipeline company. They are under no obligation to tell you the truth and they are acting only in the interest of the company, no matter what they say.
- You need to know your rights, and how much land will be used and for what, how the land will be restored after construction, by when and what you can do if it is not. There will be rules as to what you can do with the part of your property covered by the easement and may affect your access, use, and enjoyment of your land.
- **Learn more about your rights as a landowner at nossep.org/know-your-rights**

No economic benefits to those most impacted

- Locals along the Transco corridor would not receive gas from SSEP or benefit from the project.
- SSEP would generate little tax revenue and create almost no permanent jobs. Most short-term jobs would be filled by out-of-state contractors.
- SSEP would cause a decrease in property values, as already seen in the path of the not-yet built MVP Southgate pipeline.
- Easements (the right to cross or use someone's land) could make landowners with tax credits for forestry plans on their land ineligible for the tax benefit.
- An economy tied to fossil fuels is unpredictable and makes us vulnerable to foreign supply chain disruptions and conflicts. Renewable energy sources like solar and wind are more reliable and cheaper, and transitioning to them will help us achieve energy independence.

SSEP timeline

- Fall 2024: File application with Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)
- 2025: File applications with state agencies; Opportunities for public comment regarding permits
- Spring 2026: Proposed start of construction
- Late 2027: Proposed operational date

What you can do now

- Sign the NO SSEP petition on nossep.org
- Visit nossep.org regularly for updates and community event announcements
- Talk to your family, friends and neighbors about these issues
- Use the guide on nossep.org to write a Letter to the Editor (LTE) of local papers
- Use the talking points on nossep.org to contact your elected officials and share concerns
- Participate in public input opportunities, such as comment periods and hearings, with regulating agencies like FERC, as well as at the state level

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