

LEACH XPRESS PROJECT LANDOWNER UPDATE



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DELIVERING APPALACHIA'S ENERGY POTENTIAL

Columbia Gas Transmission – a local energy company with more than 100 years of service to the region – is proposing a new pipeline project called Leach XPress to meet Ohio's and West Virginia's energy needs.

Energy exploration and development within the region has unlocked an abundance of natural gas – a clean, domestic energy resource that will fuel the nation and create local jobs and opportunity. For Ohio's and West Virginia's energy economies to grow to their full potential, new infrastructure is needed to safely and efficiently transport this resource to market.

The pipeline will travel from Marshall County, West Virginia through southeastern Ohio and include:

- Installation of more than 150 miles of new 30- and 36-inch-diameter pipeline
- Construction of three new state-of-the-art compressor stations near Majorsville, West Virginia; Summerfield, Ohio; and Oak Hill, Ohio

WORKING WITH LANDOWNERS

As a landowner near a Columbia pipeline project, we consider you a partner in this effort. You can count on us to protect your privacy, respect your land and make safety and environmental responsibility our top priorities.

For several months, you and many of your neighbors have worked with representatives from Columbia who have surveyed the local area to find a pipeline route that will minimize land use, ensure safe construction and avoid sensitive environmental areas.

With land surveys nearing completion, we have entered a pipeline review and approval process overseen by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The FERC process encourages the participation of landowners, local officials and communities as the agency conducts its comprehensive environmental review of the project. You can learn more about the FERC by visiting www.ferc.gov.

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FERC PROJECT TRACKING

You are invited to follow the Leach XPress project through the FERC process by visiting the agency's "electronic library" online at ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp and searching for docket number *PF14-23*.

We also strongly encourage you to download and read the FERC's citizen's guide book called *An Interstate Natural Gas Facility on My Land? What Do I Need to Know?* You can obtain a copy online at ferc.gov/for-citizens/citizen-guides.asp.

If you prefer to receive a copy by mail, please contact one of our project team members.

YOUR SOURCE FOR PROJECT INFORMATION

Columbia's project team is available to answer your questions and understand your concerns.

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INFORMATIONAL OPEN HOUSES

Columbia Gas Transmission is hosting a series of informational open houses for landowners and residents in the project area who want to learn more about our project.

You are invited to attend one of the following open houses to enjoy refreshments and discuss the project one-on-one with representatives from our Engineering, Land, Natural Resources Permitting, Pipeline Construction and Pipeline Operations teams. All open houses will be held from 6 – 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12

Grand Vue Park (Banquet Hall)
250 Trail Drive
Moundsville, WV 26041

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 19

Oak Hill High School
5063 State Route 93
Oak Hill, OH 45656

THURSDAY, NOV. 13

Brown Community Center
100 Creamery Street
Woodsfield, OH 43793

THURSDAY, NOV. 20

Ceredo-Kenova Middle School
500 High Street
Ceredo, WV 25507

MONDAY, NOV. 17

Noble County Community Center
Noble County Fairgrounds
(Fairground Road)
Caldwell, OH 43724

TUESDAY, NOV. 18

Lee's Banquet Haus
580 Radio Lane
Logan, OH 43138



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We will keep you informed about important Columbia pipeline news, milestones and developments throughout the project review and construction process.

Additionally, you are invited to attend one of several informational open houses that we will be hosting during November. A tentative schedule is listed to the left.

BENEFITTING THE REGION FOR DECADES TO COME

Ohio and West Virginia have enjoyed job creation and economic opportunities that come with increased energy production. But new pipeline infrastructure is needed to ensure that domestic natural gas supplies truly benefit the larger region. Columbia's pipeline project is designed to provide up to 1.5 billion cubic feet per day of new transportation capability through the heart of Ohio and West Virginia's Marcellus and Utica production areas. The pipeline will link local energy supplies with regional markets and provide natural gas users with a reliable and affordable new gas supply.

Columbia's project will also create approximately 1,500 direct construction jobs in Ohio and West Virginia at the peak of construction and create or support more than 4,800 jobs of all types through 2017. In addition, the project is expected to generate upwards of \$35 million in new tax revenue for vital local services like public education.

A DIFFERENT KIND OF PIPELINE COMPANY

Columbia Gas Transmission is a well-known, established energy company in Ohio and West Virginia. Unlike other energy companies that have recently begun operating in this area, Columbia and its employees have been safely and reliably serving the region for decades – and we plan to continue that service for years to come.

Columbia is committed to building longstanding relationships with landowners throughout our service territory. Our pledge to you is to be transparent, fair and flexible as we work together to create a suitable pipeline easement agreement.

We will not forget about you or your needs after agreement is reached. Signing an agreement with Columbia brings with it a support team of local operations professionals who will be monitoring the safety and integrity of this pipeline for as long as it is in service. Our commitment to you – and a stronger and more energy secure Appalachia – sets us apart from the others.