



March 10, 2015

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20426

Re: *NEXUS Gas Transmission, LLC*
NEXUS Gas Transmission Project, Docket No. PF15-10-000
Second Monthly Progress Report

Dear Ms. Bose:

On January 9, 2015, the Director of the Office of Energy Projects issued a letter in the above-referenced docket approving the request of NEXUS Gas Transmission, LLC (“NEXUS”) to commence the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (“Commission”) Pre-Filing Review Process for its proposed NEXUS Gas Transmission Project (“Project”). Pursuant to Section 157.21(f)(6) of the Commission’s regulations,¹ NEXUS herewith submits its second monthly progress report for the Project for the period February 1, 2015 through February 28, 2015.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact the undersigned at (713) 627-4515.

/s/ Leanne Sidorkewicz
Leanne Sidorkewicz
Project Director, Rates & Certificates

Attachments

cc: Joanne Wachholder (FERC)

¹ 18 C.F.R. § 157.21(f)(6) (2014).

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FERC Pre-Filing Process Monthly Progress Report

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Introduction

By letter order dated January 9, 2015, NEXUS Gas Transmission, LLC (“NEXUS”) was granted approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC” or the “Commission”) to utilize the Commission’s Pre-Filing review process for the proposed NEXUS Gas Transmission Project (“Project”). The Project has been assigned Docket No. PF15-10-000.

This Monthly Progress Report provides a brief summary of significant Project activities or changes in Project information that have occurred during the period beginning February 1, 2015, through February 28, 2015.

Field Surveys

Civil Survey

- As of February 28, 2015, approximately 80 percent of the land-based civil surveys for the current route have been completed. NEXUS is in the process of obtaining survey permission for the remaining parcels that have not yet been surveyed.

Environmental Field Surveys

- **Biological Surveys:** NEXUS commenced biological field surveys in the fall of 2014. Approximately 62 percent (155 miles) of the total Project route has been surveyed for wetland and waterbodies with a total of 220 waterbodies and 160 wetland crossings identified to date. No additional resources were surveyed during the reporting period. However, for areas not currently covered by biological surveys, TRC is performing an evaluation of best available resources including aerial photography, Natural Resource Conservation Service soils mapping, National Hydrography Data, National Wetland Inventory and USGS mapping, and others to provide approximated resource boundaries for draft Project alignment sheets.
- **Cultural Surveys:** Preliminary cultural resources background research and literature file reviews were performed at the Ohio and Michigan State Historic Preservation Offices (“SHPOs”) during the summer and fall of 2014. To date, approximately 115.2 miles (53 percent) of identification-level cultural resource field investigations have been completed for the NEXUS Project. No additional cultural resource field surveys were performed during the reporting period. Cultural resource technical leads are preparing field survey reports for inclusion with the FERC filing planned in June 2015.

Engineering Activities

- Commenced preliminary modeling effort for AC interference design
- Preliminary pipeline launcher / receiver drawings issued in draft
- Established preliminary geotechnical investigation locations
- Preparing drafts of typical construction right-of-way typical drawings
- Implemented several additional route changes to be included in the June FERC filing
- Issued Air Permit Engineering Package to air permitting sub-contractor
- Completed noise study field activities for compressor stations and metering and regulation stations

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Resource Reports

- Initial Resource Reports 1 and 10 were filed with the Commission on January 23, 2015. The filing of Resource Reports 1 through 12 is planned for June 2015.

Agency Communications

NEXUS attended a Project introductory meeting with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency on February 12, 2015; and a pre-application meeting with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality on February 17, 2015.

Routing/Facilities Update

During this period, NEXUS continues to evaluate re-routes suggested by individual landowners, right-of-way agents, environmental team members, and engineering and construction team members. Specifically, the re-routes evaluated during this period included those required to minimize environmental impacts, address constructability issues, and respond to landowner requests. NEXUS has a multidisciplinary team reviewing, and quantifying the potential environmental effects of route alternatives identified by stakeholders through public comments issued to FERC and/or received at Open Houses including a southern route alternatives.

Stakeholder Activities

NEXUS continues to work with stakeholders, including landowners, government agencies and community leaders to refine and provide updates regarding the NEXUS Project. The following meetings were conducted during this reporting period:

Meetings

- On February 2, 2015 NEXUS representatives met with members of the Coalition to Reroute NEXUS (“CORN”). CORN presented a number of re-routes with FERC representatives in attendance.
- On February 9, 2015 and February 11, 2015 NEXUS representatives met with local labor unions and provided a briefing and updates on the project.
- On February 24, 2015 NEXUS representatives provided a project briefing to the Stark County Commissioners and answered questions.
- On February 26, 2015 NEXUS representatives provided a project briefing to the Erie County Planning Commission and answered questions from the public.

Open Houses

Open House Meetings were held as follows:

Date a/	Municipality	Location & Address
02/02/2015	Wadsworth, Ohio	The Galaxy Banquet Center 201 Park Center Drive
02/03/2015	Elyria, Ohio	Lorain County Community College 1005 Abbe Road North
02/04/2015	Castalia, Ohio	Margaretta Elementary School – Cafeteria 5906 Bogart Road West

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02/05/2015	Fremont, Ohio	Terra State Community College – Neely Conference & Hospitality Center 2830 Napoleon Road
02/09/2015	North Canton, Ohio	Stark State College – Business and Entrepreneurship Center 6200 Frank Avenue Northwest
02/10/2015	Hanoverton, Ohio	United Local High School – Cafeteria 8143 Ohio State Route 9
02/11/2015	Swanton, Ohio	Swanton High School – Cafeteria 601 North Main Street
02/12/2015	Toledo, Ohio	Central Park West 4141 Central Park West Drive
02/17/2015	Adrian, Michigan	Adrian College – Adrian Room (Parking: Adrian Lot 1) 110 S Madison St. Adrian, MI 49221
02/18/2015	Ypsilanti, Michigan	Lincoln High School - Cafeteria 7425 Willis Rd Ypsilanti, MI 48197
a/ all meetings were held between 5:00 and 7:30 PM, ET		

Project Filings and Schedule Update

Project Filings

Date	Submitted by	Content
01/23/15	NEXUS Gas Transmission, LLC	Draft Resource Reports 1 and 10 filed with FERC

No additional filings were made with FERC during this reporting period.

Schedule Update

There were no changes to the Project schedule.

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The next progress report will cover the period beginning March 1 through March 31, 2015.

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