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Constitution Prepares to File Revised Primary Route

After more than a year of detailed environmental and engineering analysis, Constitution Pipeline Company has finalized the route to be included in the certificate application it plans to file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in the spring of 2013.

Since last April the company has been involved in the FERC pre-filing process, soliciting input from citizens, governmental entities and numerous other interested parties to identify and address issues with potential facility locations. The revised primary route reflects changes to more than 50 percent of the original pipeline alignment introduced during open houses last July – most a direct result of stakeholder input.

“We’re confident that the revised primary route is the best possible path to minimize environmental and landowner impacts, balancing those considerations with the engineering requirements for safely and properly constructing and operating a transmission pipeline,” said Project Manager Matt Swift.

“Since the time we introduced the project during the public open houses, we’ve studied 20 significant route alternatives and more than 120 re-routes and other route modifications. Of those, six significant alternates and 89 route revisions were adopted into the current primary route,” he added.

Of the 20 alternate routes studied, the most significant route alternative not incorporated into the revised alignment is Alternate Route M, would have sited a large portion of the pipeline partially adjacent to the I-88 corridor. Swift says the company spent months analyzing the environmental aspects and technical feasibility of the route, but ultimately determined that the construction and environmental impacts associated with Alternate M were significantly greater than the impacts associated with the route Constitution intends to file.

“After performing a detailed environmental and engineering analysis, the construction and environmental impacts associated with Alternate Route M were shown to be significantly greater than the impacts associated with the route we plan to file,” he said.

The revised primary route features less overall land impacts, including approximately 87 fewer acres of total forest impacts during construction. It also fea-

tures about 20 fewer miles of side slope construction, which significantly reduces severe erosion, runoff and revegetation issues. The revised primary route also features fewer water body crossings (22 fewer) and significantly fewer residences within close proximity to the proposed pipeline.

In addition, the revised primary route provides an opportunity to make modifications to the existing Iroquois Gas Transmission Wright compressor station, eliminating the need for Constitution Pipeline to construct a new 32,000-horsepower compressor facility in Schoharie County as originally proposed.

Constitution’s original 32,000-horsepower gas turbine compressor facility was being designed to re-pressurize the gas prior to entering the Iroquois Gas Transmission and Tennessee Gas Pipeline systems. However, in an attempt to further reduce environmental and landowner impacts, Constitution Pipeline Company has reached an agreement with Iroquois Gas Transmission to expand its existing Wright compressor station to accomplish the same objectives as the original proposal.

“The route we’ve selected provides us with the flexibility to eliminate the need for a separate compressor station,” he added.

Swift says the revised primary route includes 60 miles of route differential from the original proposed pipeline alignment, adding that a total of approximately 530 miles of potential routes were evaluated by a comparative analysis process.

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By The Numbers

530

Miles of potential routes evaluated

20

Major route alternatives considered

120+

Alignment revisions evaluated

89

Alignment revisions adopted

54%

Percentage of original primary route modified

122.2

Length in miles of revised primary route

Revised Route

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Most of these route modifications were made to address environmental issues, constructability and to accommodate landowner requests. The modifications ranged in distance from a few hundred feet, up to three miles.

“This was an extremely comprehensive analysis. We studied more than 50 different parameters associated with the major route alternatives,” he said.

Of the 20 significant route alternatives, the following were migrated into the proposed route, either in whole or in part: Alternate A (8.5 miles), Alternate B (16.5 miles), Alternate F (3.0 miles), Alternate Q (7.8 miles), Alternate R (11.8 miles) and Alternate T (4.0 miles).

Before any pipeline facilities can be constructed, Constitution Pipeline Company must first file an application with the FERC demonstrating that the pipeline is needed and outlining the steps that would be taken to minimize environmental impacts. The company intends to file its certificate application with the FERC in the spring of 2013. However, drafts of resource reports 1-12 are expected to be filed with FERC in late February 2013 and will include detailed maps of the proposed route.

Since last spring Constitution Pipeline Company has been meeting with landowners and other stakeholders along the proposed pipeline’s primary and alternate routes, conducting field surveys and soliciting input to identify potential routing issues. This evaluation process is an important part of the FERC pre-filing process, guiding the company as it explores multiple route alternatives in an attempt to identify the best possible pipeline route.



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Constitution Pipeline Announces Recipients of Inaugural Community Grants

Constitution Pipeline Company today announced the recipients of the inaugural Constitution Pipeline Community Grant program, awarding nearly \$300,000 to benefit local communities within the counties traversed by the proposed pipeline project.

An advisory committee consisting of community leaders and company representatives helped determine which projects would receive funding and how the dollars would be distributed. Grants were awarded based on overall community need and merit of the proposal. Examples of eligible projects included emergency/first responder support, youth or senior services, education programs, assistance in the enrichment of wildlife habitat and promotion of environmental education.

“We are very pleased about the opportunity to assist in funding this innovative, diverse collection of community projects,” said Cindy Ivey, public outreach manager. “Constitution Pipeline is committed to being a good neighbor by putting safety, environmental stewardship and community support at the heart of our operations.”

Constitution Pipeline plans to distribute grant awards twice per year, with the next funding cycle’s deadline slated for March 15, 2013. Grant applications can be completed on the company’s website at www.constitutionpipeline.com.

See photos of several recipient programs and a list of all grant awards on page 3.

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2012 Grant Recipients

<p>New Milford Borough Blue Ridge Parks Association (Susquehanna County, Pa.) – Repairs to the New Milford Town Pool. Grant award: \$25,000</p>
<p>Big Brothers / Big Sisters (Susquehanna County, PA) – Youth mentor program. Grant award: \$10,000</p>
<p>The Greater Afton Chamber of Commerce (Chenango County, NY) – To create a chamber of commerce for businesses, residents and the community. Grant award: \$25,000</p>
<p>The Bainbridge Community Foundation Walking Trail (Chenango County, NY) – To improve and pave walking trail around General Clinton Park. Grant award: \$25,000</p>
<p>Boys and Girls Club Sidney (Delaware County, NY) – Support youth development by working with young people from disadvantaged economic, social and family circumstances. Grant award: \$23,500</p>
<p>Pindars Corners Volunteer Fire Department (Delaware County, NY) – To purchase updated turnout gear to replace outdated and close to outdated gear. Grant award: \$23,954.70</p>
<p>Masonville Fire Department (Delaware County, NY) – To replace turnout gear and gas meters. Grant award: \$22,995</p>
<p>Village of Franklin (Delaware County, NY) – Renovations to make the Village Hall handicap accessible. Grant award: \$5,280</p>
<p>Sidney Municipal Swimming Pool (Delaware County, NY) – Purchase and install pool lift to comply with ADA revised requirements. Grant award: \$6,900</p>
<p>Franklin Community Educational Foundation (Delaware County, NY) – Send students to the American Museum of Modern History in New York City. Grant award: \$3,715</p>
<p>Town and Village of Sidney (Delaware County, NY) – To upgrade mobile computer systems and two marked patrol cars with video reading and license plate reader technology. Grant award: \$15,000</p>
<p>Richmondville Volunteer Fire Project (Schoharie County, NY) – Emergency communication enhancement. Grant award: \$23,716.76</p>
<p>Summit Fire Department (Schoharie County, NY) – Help fund Summit Fire Department expansion. Grant award: \$22,000</p>
<p>Scho-Wright Ambulance Service (Schoharie County, NY) – Purchase Power Load system for Ambulance. Grant award: \$25,000</p>



The Big Brothers / Big Sisters program of Susquehanna County, PA, received a grant award of \$10,000.



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