

Submission Description: (doc-less) Motion to Intervene of Holland Township Citizens Against the Pipeline under CP15-558-000.

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CP15-558-000 Application of PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity and Related Authorizations

Filing Party/Contacts:

Filing Party Signer (Representative)  
Other Contact (Principal) -----

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Basis for Intervening:

Holland Township Citizens Against the Pipeline - HTCAP - (New Jersey), a community-based volunteer group, hereby files a Motion to Intervene in the PennEast Pipeline project - Docket # CP15-558.

We stand behind the Holland Township Committee, which has submitted a Motion to Intervene, containing a comprehensive report detailing most of the salient objections, with supporting data.

In Holland Township, the proposed pipeline path crosses:

- land that citizens/taxpayers have paid nearly \$5,000,000 to preserve in perpetuity
- more than 20 creeks and tributaries, and
- wetlands, springs and C1 trout streams, and
- prime groundwater recharge areas
  - impacting the township's essential ground water supply (yet PennEast's Resource Report 2 states "No public or private water supply wells or springs have been observed in NJ during field investigations.");
- carbonate rock areas/sinkholes and
- the seismically active Ramapo Fault Line
  - which put the line in grave danger of rupture
- Argillite deposits - potentially exposing citizens to toxic arsenic
- Critical Wildlife Habitat
- Severely Constrained steep slopes
- 14 historic sites

In addition, the pipeline is slated to traverse 87% of the Delaware River Watershed, which provides drinking water to 17 million people over multiple surrounding states.

The citizens of Holland Township stand to derive no benefit from this project, which we believe would endanger our health and safety and negatively impact our quality of life, as well as our property values.

We do not accept PennEast's claim of necessity for the project, which is based on faulty, deceitful assertions of the need for natural gas in New Jersey.

We categorically oppose this project and ask FERC to impose the "No Build" option and deny PennEast LLC the right to our land for the purpose of constructing this pipeline.

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