



June 4, 2015

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

Re: PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC, Docket No. PF15-1-000  
Monthly Progress Report

Dear Ms. Bose:

On October 10, 2014, the Director of the Office of Energy Projects issued a letter in the above-referenced docket approving the request of PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC ("PennEast") to commence the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("Commission") Pre-filing Review Process of its proposed PennEast Pipeline Project ("Project"). Pursuant to Section 157.21(f)(6) of the Commission's regulations,<sup>1</sup> PennEast herewith submits its monthly progress report for the Project for the period May 2 through May 29, 2015.

Should you have any questions concerning this request, please contact me at (610) 406-4322.

Sincerely,

/s/ Anthony C. Cox

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PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC,  
By its Project Manager  
UGI Energy Services, LLC

cc: Medha Kochhar (FERC)

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<sup>1</sup> 18 C.F.R. § 157.21(f)(6) (2014).

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## **Introduction**

By letter order dated October 10, 2014, PennEast Pipeline Company, LLC (“PennEast”) 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 PennEast Pipeline Project (“Project”). The Project is designed to bring lower cost natural gas produced in the Marcellus Shale region in eastern Pennsylvania to homes and businesses in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. The Project facilities include a 36-inch diameter, 110.6-mile pipeline, extending from Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, to Mercer County, New Jersey, a 2.1-mile 24-inch lateral (Hellertown Lateral), a 0.6-mile 12-inch lateral (Gilbert Lateral), and a 1.3-mile 36-inch lateral (Lambertville Lateral). The Project has a target in-service date of November 1, 2017. The Project has been assigned Docket No. PF15-1-000.

This Monthly Progress Report provides a brief summary of significant Project activities or changes in Project information that have occurred during the period beginning May 2 through May 29, 2015.

## **Field Surveys**

- Approximately 66.8 miles of the 114 miles of the mainline and laterals are available for survey activities.
- Approximately 61.1 miles of biological survey have been completed.
- Approximately 54.4 miles of cultural resources have been surveyed.

## **Alignment Drawings**

- An updated set of USGS topographic maps were filed with the Commission and copies, including shapefiles, were provided to TetraTech, on March 30, 2015. The updated set of maps and shapefiles reflect the Project’s new, preferred alternative route based on input from stakeholders, as reflected in the March 30, 2015 filing (“New Preferred Alternative”).
- The PennEast website was updated on March 30, 2015 with a new interactive map, new critical issues map and updated alternative maps, along with a description of the New Preferred Alternative.
- Updated alignment sheets showing the current preferred route were filed as part of the Draft Resource Reports 1-12.

## **Resource Reports**

- Draft Environmental Resource Reports 1 (Project Description) and 10 (Alternatives) were filed on November 10, 2014 in accordance with Pre-filing Procedures, 18 C.F.R. § 157.21(f)(5), and were refiled on January 27, 2015 at FERC Staff’s request to remove certain sensitive cultural resources information from draft Resource Report 10.

- PennEast received FERC Staff’s comments on Resource Reports 1 and 10 and scoping comments, and addressed these comments in PennEast’s Draft Resource Reports 1 - 12.
- Draft Environmental Resource Reports 1 – 12 and associated Appendices were filed in a staggered approach in accordance with FERC request during the time period of April 16 through April 30, 2015 in accordance with Pre-filing Procedures, 18 C.F.R. § 157.21(f)(5).
- A revised Table 6.3-1 from Resource Report 6 was filed on May 8, 2015 in response to a stakeholder comment.
- FERC provided comments to Resource Reports 1, 2, 3, 9, and 11 on May 19, 2015 and comments to Resource Reports 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10 on May 29, 2015.

**Agency Contacts**

- PennEast sent initial consultation letters to federal and state agencies on August 12, 2014. On October 24, 2014, PennEast followed up with several agencies informing them of the FERC Pre-Filing Review Process, inviting them to Open Houses and giving them updates on the route alignment. On January 14, 2015, updated shapefiles and Project information regarding the then-preferred route were sent to all corresponding agencies.
- On March 31, 2015 updated shapefiles and Project information regarding the New Preferred Alternative route were sent to all corresponding agencies. In addition, mailings are underway to each of the 27 Townships.
- The following table summarizes Environmental Meetings and Conference Calls held during the reporting period:

| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Meeting/Conference Call</b>  |
|--------------|---|
| May 12, 2015 | FERC, Delaware River Basin Commission scope and pre-application coordination call |
| May 13, 2015 | Bi-weekly FERC call   |
| May 21, 2015 | Pennsylvania Game Commission (Appalachian Trail Crossing Consultation)            |
| May 27, 2015 | Bi-weekly FERC call   |

**Routing/Scope Update**

- During the month of May there were no changes to the Project route.
- Additional data was acquired from landowners regarding potential route adjustments. These will be analyzed during the month of June.

## **Stakeholder Activities:**

### *New Stakeholders Identified*

- No new stakeholders were identified during the reporting period.

### *Open Houses*

- No Open Houses or Informational Meetings were held in May.
- Seven Informational Meetings are planned for June in Pennsylvania.

### *Scoping Comments*

- PennEast carefully tracked and downloaded the approximately 1,400 letters and associated 3,400 public scoping comments. PennEast prepared and posted an updated document to eLibrary on April 27, 2015 to provide an updated response to FSL 32, FSL 33, LO 16 and OSH 10.
- Additional comments filed in May have been tracked and a table summarizing these comments and preliminary responses is appended to this monthly report.
- PennEast incorporated comments into plans and draft Resource Reports where appropriate.
- A seismic hazard evaluation was conducted identifying minimal to negligible risks to the Project facilities and the critical findings were included in Draft Resource Report 6. Additional recommendations for further field studies to assess soil liquefaction risks pursuant to the study's findings are currently being evaluated and will be conducted in the coming months.
- A quarry blasting study is underway to evaluate two active quarry sites in PA and NJ to determine if the quarry activities pose any significant risk to the proposed Project facilities. The results of this analysis will be included in the final Resource Report 6 that will be filed with the formal certificate application.
- A geophysics study is underway to evaluate subsurface conditions where ground subsidence associated with karst conditions exist and where potential sinkhole risks may develop around the proposed facilities. The results of this analysis will be included in the final Resource Report 6 that will be filed with the formal certificate application.

***Stakeholder Meetings***

- PennEast representatives met with the following stakeholders (other than Agencies) during the reporting period:

| <b>Date</b>  | <b>Meeting/Conference Call</b>  |
|--------------|---|
| May 14, 2015 | Durham Township, Senator Bob Mensch, Representative Marguerite Quinn, CCAP Members) |

***Other Pre-Filing Meetings/Activities***

- PennEast will continue to hold meetings with stakeholder agencies. An agricultural land meeting hosted by the New Jersey State Agriculture Development Committee is scheduled for June 2, 2015. PennEast also plans to hold pre-application meetings with the ACOE, PADEP, and NJDEP in June.
- The biweekly teleconference meetings with FERC Staff for the PennEast Project began on October 16, 2014. The next call is scheduled for June 10, 2015.

**Project Filings and Schedule Update**

***Project Filings During the Reporting Period***

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Provided by</b> | <b>Content</b>                          |
|-------------|--------------------|---|
| May 8, 2015 | PennEast           | Revised Table 6.3-1 (Resource Report 6) |

***Schedule Update***

- There are no changes to the Project schedule.

**Next Monthly Report**

- The next progress report will cover the period beginning June 1 through June 26, 2015.

**Table 1: Environmental Agency Contacts**

| Agency   | Contact Information  | Contact Status   |
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| <b>FEDERAL</b>   |  |  |
| U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service<br>– PA Field Office  | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service<br>Pennsylvania Field Office<br>315 South Allen Street, Suite 322<br>State College, PA 16801<br>Project POC: Kayla Easler<br>Phone: 814-234-4090<br>email: kayla_easler@fws.gov                   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Initial coordination meeting held 10/29/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. RTE survey meeting held 4/22/15. USFWS Project No. 20141013.           |
| U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service<br>– NJ Field Office  | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service<br>New Jersey Field Office<br>927 N. Main Street, Building D<br>Pleasantville, NJ 08232<br>Project POC: Jeremy Markuson<br>Phone: 609-646-9310<br>email: jeremy_markuson@fws.gov                  | Initial consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Consultation discussions held with Project POC. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. RTE survey meeting held 4/23/15.                                   |
| U.S Department of Commerce<br>National Oceanic and<br>Atmospheric Administration<br>National Marines Fisheries<br>Service (NMFS) | National Marine Fisheries Service<br>55 Great Republic Drive<br>Gloucester, MA 01931<br>Reviewing Biologist: Karen Greene<br>Phone: 978-281-9200<br>email: karen.greene@noaa.gov   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Official response received 9/18/2014 stating no TE species under NMFS jurisdiction known to occur in Project area. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. |
| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers<br>– Baltimore District   | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers<br>Regulatory Branch<br>1631 South Atherton Street, Suite 101<br>State College, PA 16801<br>Phone: 814-235-0572   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Baltimore District working through Philadelphia District.  |
| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers<br>– Philadelphia District  | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers<br>Regulatory Branch<br>100 Penn Square East<br>Wanamaker Building<br>Philadelphia, PA 19107<br>Project POC: Glenn Weitknecht<br>Phone: 215-656-6725<br>email:<br>Glenn.R.Weitknecht@usace.army.mil | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Coordination meetings held 10/30/14 and 12/2/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.   |

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| U.S. Army Corps of Engineers<br>– New York District | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers<br>Regulatory Branch<br>26 Federal Plaza, Room 1937<br>New York, NY 10278<br>Phone: 917-790-8511  | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. New York District working through Philadelphia District.  |
| National Park Service                               | National Park Service<br>Renewable Energy Specialist<br>15 State Street<br>Boston, MA 02109<br>Project POC: Mary Krueger<br>Phone: 617-223-5066<br>email: Mary_C_Krueger@nps.gov | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Introductory meeting with National Wild and Scenic Rivers PA Board held on 10/1/2014. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. |
| U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 2       | 290 Broadway<br>New York, New York 10007-1866<br>Project POC: Stephanie Lamster and Lingaard Knutsen<br>Phone: 877-251-4575<br>email: Knutson.Lingard@epa.gov                    | Initial Consultation letter sent 12/3/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.   |
| U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3       | 1650 Arch Street<br>Philadelphia, PA 19103<br>Project POC: Thomas G.S. UyBarreta and Barbara Rudnick<br>Phone: 215-814-2953<br>email: uybarreta.thomas@epa.gov                   | Initial Consultation letter sent 12/3/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.   |
| USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service         | 220 Davidson Ave., 4 <sup>th</sup> floor<br>Somerset, NJ 08873<br>Project POC: Carrie Mosley<br>Phone: 732-537-6041<br>email: carrie.mosley@nj.usda.gov                          | Initial coordination meeting held 3/18/15. Updated materials sent 3/30/15.  |

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| PADEP (Northeast Regional Office)   | DEP Northeast Regional Office<br>2 Public Square<br>Wilkes Barre, PA 18701<br>Project POC: Joseph J. Buczynski<br>Phone: 570-826-2511<br>email: jbczynski@pa.gov | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Coordination meeting held 11/19/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. Meeting with Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation held 2/23/15.  |
| PADEP (Southeast Regional Office)   | DEP Southeast Regional Office<br>2 E. Main Street<br>Norristown, PA 19401<br>Project POC: Domenic Rocco<br>Phone: 484-250-5900<br>email: drocco@pa.gov           | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Coordination meeting held 11/19/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.  |
| PA Game Commission (PAGC)           | Pennsylvania Game Commission<br>2001 Elmerton Avenue<br>Harrisburg, PA 17110<br>Project POC: John Taucher<br>Phone: 717-787-4250<br>email: jotaucher@pa.gov      | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Specific TE species data shared and being evaluated. Consultation meeting held 9/25/2014. Special Use Permit for PGC land survey access issued 2/2015. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. |
| PA Fish and Boat Commission (PAFBC) | PA Fish and Boat Commission<br>450 Robinson Land<br>Bellefonte, PA 16823<br>Project POC: Greg Lech<br>Phone: 570-477-3985<br>email: glech@pa.gov                 | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Coordination meetings held 11/4/14 and 11/24/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.   |

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| PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (PADCNR) | Department of Conservation and Natural Resources<br>Bureau of Forestry, Ecological Services Section<br>400 Market Street, PO Box 8552<br>Harrisburg, PA 17105<br>Project POC: David Mong<br>Phone: 717-783-7947<br>email: damong@pa.gov  | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Coordination meetings held 11/4/14 and 11/24/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. Pre-Survey meeting held 3/18/15. Certificate to Survey PA State Park lands issued 4/8/15.                           |
| Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PAHMC)        | Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission<br>State Museum Building<br>300 North Street<br>Harrisburg, PA 17120<br>Phone: 717-787-3362<br>Project POC: Mark Shaffer<br>email: mshaffer@pa.gov   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Consultations ongoing. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.   |
| <b>NEW JERSEY</b>  |  |  |
| NJDEP  | State of New Jersey<br>Department of Environmental Protection<br>P.O. Box 402<br>Trenton, NJ 08625<br>Project POC: Ruth Foster<br>Phone: 609-292-3600<br>email: Ruth.Foster@dep.nj.gov   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/12/2014. Initial coordination meeting held 9/23/2014. Interagency coordination meeting held 12/2/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. Coordination meeting held with Natural and Historic Resources 3/31/15.   |
| NJ State Historic Preservation Office (NJSHPO)               | State of New Jersey<br>Department of Environmental Protection<br>Historic Preservation Office<br>P.O. Box 402<br>Trenton, NJ 08625<br>Project POC: Jesse West-Rosenthal<br>Phone: 609-984-0176<br>email: jesse.west-rosenthal@dep.nj.gov | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/19/2014. Initial consultation meeting held 9/16/2014. Coordination meeting held 9/23/2014. Interagency coordination meeting held 12/2/14. Revised work plan approved 2/18/15. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. |

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| NJ State Agriculture Development Committee | State Agriculture Development Committee<br>State Health and Agriculture Building<br>369 S. Warren Street<br>Trenton, NJ 08625<br>Project POC: Tim Brill<br>Phone: 609-984-2504<br>email: timothy.brill@ag.state.nj.us | Introductory meeting held 9/12/2014. Interagency coordination meeting held 12/2/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.  |
| <b>LOCAL</b>                               |   |  |
| Luzerne County Conservation District       | 325 Smiths Pond Road<br>Shavertown, PA 18078<br>Phone: 570-674-7991   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014   |
| Carbon County Conservation District        | 5664 Interchange Road<br>Lehighton, PA 18235<br>Phone: 610-377-4894   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014   |
| Northampton County Conservation District   | 14 Gracedale Ave. – Greystone Building<br>Nazareth, PA 18064<br>Phone: 610-746-1980   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014   |
| Bucks County Conservation District         | 1456 Ferry Road, Suite 704<br>Doylestown, PA 08901<br>Phone: 215-345-7577   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014   |
| Hunterdon County Conservation District     | 687 Pittstown Road<br>Frenchtown, NJ 08825<br>Phone: 908-788-0795   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014   |
| Mercer County Conservation District        | 508 Hughes Drive<br>Hamilton Square, NJ 08690<br>Phone: 609-586-9603  | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014   |
| Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC)     | Delaware River Basin Commission<br>25 State Police Drive<br>P.O. Box 7360<br>West Trenton, NJ 08628<br>Project POC: Pam Bush<br>Phone: 609-477-7203   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014. Introductory meeting held 9/3/2014. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15. Interagency coordination meeting held 5/12/15. |
| Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC)  | 4423 N. Front Street<br>Harrisburg, PA 17110<br>Phone: 717-238-0423   | Initial Consultation letter sent 8/21/2014. Coordination meeting held 11/5/14. Updated route materials sent 3/30/15.   |

### Overview of Issues Posted To the Docket In May, 2015

| Issue   | Preliminary Response  | Resource Report and/or Appendices where Issue will be addressed in Filing |
|---|---|---|
| Concerns about route changes in latest preferred alternative, including those which deviate from power line co-location in NJ and those stemming from coordination with Bethlehem Water Authority | PennEast considered a number of criteria when making route alterations. These are documented in Resource Report 10; Appendix P.   | Resource Report 10; Appendix P.   |
| Supportive comments, letters and postcards  | PennEast cannot control comments submitted to FERC. PennEast is unaware of any submissions that were not submitted at the free will of the individual submitting the comments.  | Resource Report 1 and Appendix G  |
| Stream crossings (multiple crossings)   | PennEast considered a number of criteria when making route alterations. These are documented in Resource Report 10; Appendix P. In some cases, a stream may be identified that is ephemeral or intermittent, meaning that it is often dry. It is anticipated that temporary downstream impacts will not be significant.   | Resource Report 10; Appendix P  |
| Native American consultation documentation in scoping comments response   | PennEast included a full listing of all correspondence in draft Resource Report 1 and Appendix G. Tribal consultation is ongoing and potentially affected tribes have been consulted via letter, telephone and e-mail.  | Resource Report 1 and 4; Appendix G and J.                                |
| Arsenite in water, blasting through argillite, anti-corrosion electrodes creating galvanic corridor for bacteria to convert to arsenite   | PennEast continues to evaluate argillite, arsenite and arsenic concerns associated with construction. There is no indication that construction will lead to dangerous degradation in drinking water quality. Pre- and post-construction water testing will determine if any degradation occurs. In the extremely unlikely chance that water quality is compromised, PennEast will take measures to provide replacement supplies until the situation is corrected. | Resource Report 2   |
| Gilbert lateral landowners  | All landowners affected by the Gilbert Lateral (located inside the 400' survey corridor) were invited to the FERC scoping meetings and PennEast Open Houses except NRG REMA (a PennEast shipper) because they are either identified as affected by the mainline or an abutter to the main line. All affected landowners to the Gilbert Lateral were sent invitations to the informational meetings for Holland Township landowners                                | Resource Report 1 ; Appendix F and G                                      |

| Issue                                      | Preliminary Response  | Resource Report and/or Appendices where Issue will be addressed in Filing |
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| Highlands Planning Area buffers            | Section 34 of the Text of the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act states that there is a, “prohibition on major Highlands development within 300 feet of any Highlands open waters, and the establishment of a 300-foot buffer adjacent to all Highlands open waters; provided, however, that this buffer shall not extend into the planning area.” No portion of the proposed Project is sited within the Highlands Preservation Area. Approximately 10.1 miles of the proposed PennEast pipeline falls within the limits of the Highlands Planning Area, where the open waters buffers are not applicable. Aboveground structures proposed within the boundary of the Highlands Planning Area include the Etown and Gilbert Interconnects at MP GL 0.6, and Mainline Block Valve 5 at approximate MP 76.6. Holland Township is a “Conforming Municipality”, having adopted Preservation Area ordinances within Planning Area portions of the Township. PennEast has met with the NJ Highlands Council, and coordination is ongoing. | Resource Report 8   |
| Milford Bluffs                             | The current preferred alternative route is closer to the Thomas F. Breden Preserve at Milford Bluffs, but only the survey corridor briefly overlaps with it at approximately MP 79.15 and MP 79.45. The centerline of the Project does not intersect with this Preserve and the ATWS falls approximately 10 feet outside of the Preserve. The Thomas F. Breden Preserve at Milford Bluffs pursued a grant funding from the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service’s Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP), which was a voluntary program for conservation-minded landowners who wanted to develop and improve wildlife habitat on agricultural land, nonindustrial private forest land, and Indian land, but this does not make the preserve “nationally protected.”  | Resource Report 8   |
| Gravel Hill Preserve                       | The current preferred alternative traverses less of the Gravel Hill Preserve than the prior alternative. In the proposed route released in January 2015, the Project traversed 0.4 miles within the Gravel Hill Preserve in Holland Township. The current proposed route released March 2015 has shifted the route south 0.2 miles within the Gravel Hill Preserve, but has reduced the overall length within the preserve by 0.2 miles. The current preferred alignment currently passes through approximately 0.2 miles of the Gravel Hill Preserve at MP 78.4.   | Resource Report 8   |
| Landowner-specific questions and concerns: | PennEast cannot completely answer landowner-specific questions without survey permission. Several comments on the docket suggest that PennEast is missing information that can only be obtained with ground survey, yet many of these commenters own land where they have denied survey permission.   | Resource Report 1   |

| <b>Issue</b>                                | <b>Preliminary Response</b>  | <b>Resource Report and/or Appendices where Issue will be addressed in Filing</b> |
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| Adverse impact to development of renewables | The conversion of coal fired power plants to natural gas and the general expanded use of natural gas do not preclude the parallel development of renewable energy resources. Regardless of any industry-level competition, there are no environmental impacts caused by the PennEast Project in particular on development of renewables and no impacted plans or projects have been identified, making any impacts on renewable energy development speculative. Moreover, the type of economic study required to evaluate competitive impacts on other industries is beyond the scope of the Commission's review under NEPA. | Resource Reports 1 and 10  |

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| <p>Cumulative impacts associated with Marc II, NJNG's SRL project and Transco's Garden State project; also believe all three are connected actions</p> | <p>Transco's Garden State project involves the construction of a new compressor station and delivery point on Transco's Trenton Woodbury Lateral in Burlington County, New Jersey and uprates to and replacements of compressor units at an existing compressor station on the Trenton Woodbury Lateral in Mercer County, New Jersey. NJNG's SRL project extends from Transco's Trenton Woodbury Lateral in Burlington County, New Jersey to NJNG's existing transmission system in Ocean County, New Jersey. Neither Transco's Garden State project nor NJNG's SRL project interconnects with the PennEast Project. CYNOC's Marc II project is proposed to extend from existing points on its system to delivery points with PennEast and Transco in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.</p> <p>"Connected actions" are those that (i) automatically trigger other actions, (ii) cannot proceed unless other actions are undertaken previously or simultaneously, or (iii) are interdependent parts of a later action and depend on the larger action for their justification. Given that PennEast (i) does not cause any of these other pipeline projects, (ii) will proceed irrespective of whether those other projects proceed, and (iii) is not interdependent with any of the other pipeline projects, FERC is not required to consider those other projects as connected actions. The NJNG SRL and Transco Garden State projects are not dependent on PennEast, nor is PennEast dependent on either of these two projects. The fact that one shipper may have reserved capacity on both PennEast and these other projects does not entail any connection or dependency between the projects, and the obligations of those shippers to PennEast are not contingent on the successful execution of either the SRL or Garden State project. Similarly, PennEast and Marc II are not interdependent. PennEast is unaware of the Marc II details, and there is no information outside of the announcement of a non-binding open season. PennEast, FERC or any other entity would have to speculate on impacts from it, even if it were determined to be connected, similar or otherwise.</p> | <p>Resource Report 1</p>  |

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| Cumulative impacts associated with Marc II, NJNG's SRL project and Transco's Garden State project; also believe all three are connected actions (continued) | A cumulative impact is "the impact on the environment which results from the incremental impact of the action when added to other past, present and reasonably foreseeable future actions regardless of what agency (federal or non-federal) or person undertakes such other actions." 40 CFR § 1508.7. Given the fact that each of these other projects are geographically diverse from the PennEast Project and have isolated environmental impacts of their own and the fact that, even though the Marc II project is proposed to have one interconnect with the PennEast Project, no information is available for the Marc II project beyond the announcement of a non-binding open season, PennEast has determined that there is no cumulative impact on any resources that results from the incremental impacts associated with the PennEast Project when added to the foreseeable impacts associated with these other projects.  | Resource Report 1   |
| Mt. Pleasant and flooding in Alexandria Township  | The Mount Pleasant historic district straddles Holland and Alexandria Twps. with the eastern portion in Alexandria. Little York – Mt. Pleasant Rd. is the township divide. Mount Pleasant is approximately 1 mile from the Project area. The Project area crosses Harihokake Creek and its associated 100-year floodplain a few miles downstream from Mount Pleasant at about MP 84.1. We do not anticipate any impacts associated flooding in this district.   | Resource Report 2   |
| Flooding behind Georgia Pacific in Holland Township   | The Georgia-Pacific Corporation is adjacent to the proposed crossing of the Delaware River crossing. This crossing will utilize an HDD across the Delaware River and would by-pass the 100-yr flood plain area. The proposed ATWS area at MP 75.1 is upgradient of the floodplain.  | Resource Report 2   |
| Trespassing and threats   | PennEast takes these matters seriously. Land agents are properly trained and understand PennEast's expectations for each agent's interactions with landowners. Any specific claims have been and will continue to be investigated and addressed immediately by PennEast. Investigations to date have found the following different scenarios: 1) co-landowners where one party has given permission and the details have not been conveyed to the other landowner(s); 2) hearsay reports where someone reported that trespass occurred but upon investigation the landowner did not in fact see anyone trespassing on property and had been told someone had been on property; 3) neighbors who claimed flagging was on their property and removed flagging, when the flagging numbers and GPS points taken show that the removed flagging was a considerable distance from their property on a tract where survey permission had been granted; 4) surveyors conducting a U-turn in a parking lot that was confirmed to be public, not private, property. | Resource Report 1   |

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| Appalachian Trail Crossing                          | PennEast is actively coordinating with private property owners, the Pennsylvania Game Commission and the National Park Service on both the location and method of crossing the Appalachian Trail. The final crossing location will be described in a site-specific construction plan in the formal Certificate Application   | Resource Report 8 and 10  |
| Electric compressor alternative comparison          | PennEast provided a comparative assessment in draft Resource Report 9 and Appendix L. One of the primary concerns with electric compression is that it requires a backup power source for when the power grid is affected by storms, downed trees, car accidents and other similar events. PennEast's compression must be reliable for the operation of the Project.   | Resource Report 9 and Appendix L  |
| Mapping differences                                 | Maps issued in late March, 2015 represent the current preferred alternative route. There are no known discrepancies in the PennEast map data. However, base map layers may contain inaccuracies that are beyond PennEast's control. For example, the municipal boundaries of Frenchtown, NJ are shown incorrectly in some Google maps, which is the basis for PennEast's interactive map. The interactive map is designed as a general informational tool. Landowners with specific inquiries can obtain detailed maps showing Project plans on their specific parcels as part of the survey and right-of-way acquisition process. | Resource Report 1   |
| Native American villages and archaeological impacts | PennEast is working collaboratively with the New Jersey and Pennsylvania state historic preservation offices. As part of that process, each state will review and approve a plan for unanticipated discoveries of cultural resources. PennEast cannot completely answer landowner-specific questions about potential undocumented resources without survey permission. Several comments on the docket suggest that PennEast is missing information that can only be obtained with ground survey, yet many of these commenters own land where they have denied survey permission.   | Resource Report 4   |

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| <p>General concerns (in no particular order)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Global warming</li> <li>o Fracking</li> <li>o Ecology</li> <li>o Wildlife</li> <li>o Livelihoods</li> <li>o Drinking water</li> <li>o Children's health</li> <li>o Farmland</li> <li>o Forest fragmentation</li> <li>o Sinkholes</li> <li>o Emergency response</li> <li>o Preserved land</li> <li>o Export</li> <li>o Property values</li> <li>o Trees</li> <li>o Invasive species</li> <li>o National security</li> <li>o Insurance</li> <li>o Cumulative impacts (wellhead to burner tip)</li> <li>o Purpose and Need</li> </ul> | <p>Preliminary Responses to these general comments have been addressed in our Response to Scoping Comments Tables</p> | <p>These topics will be addressed in appropriate sections of Resource Reports and Appendices as noted in our Response to Scoping Comments Tables</p> |