

regarding potential environmental and socioeconomic impacts associated with each alternative. As such, the scope of this PEA is broad and encompasses activities to support ABCT stationing and planning for facilities projected to be required from fiscal years 2018 to 2021. The programmatic approach is designed to allow for early planning, coordination, and flexibility throughout implementation of the Army's process of stationing an ABCT.

Implementation of the proposed action would require unit stationing (e.g., realignment or inactivation), garrison construction and demolition, live-fire training, and maneuver training. The proposed action and alternatives do not propose or require land expansion or acquisition.

Adverse impacts were anticipated to be less than significant for air quality and greenhouse gas, biological resources, cultural resources, soils, traffic and transportation, surface waters, and wetlands. Negligible adverse effects were anticipated for land use, noise, geology, groundwater, floodplains, airspace, facilities, energy demand and generation, utilities, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, and human health and safety. Socioeconomic impacts for Fort Carson were anticipated to be negligible under Alternative 1 and moderately adverse under Alternatives 2 through 5. Socioeconomic impacts for Fort Bliss, Fort Hood, Fort Riley, and Fort Stewart were anticipated to be beneficial under the gain-scenario alternative for each installation, with no impacts under the remaining alternatives.

Members of the public, federally-recognized Native American Tribes, and federal, state, and local agencies are invited to submit written comments on the PEA and/or draft FNSI.

The PEA and draft FNSI may be accessed at: <https://aec.army.mil/index.php?CID=352>.

**Brenda S. Bowen,**

*Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

#### Withdrawal of Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the North Branch Ecorse Creek, Flood Risk Management General Reevaluation Study, Wayne County, MI

**AGENCY:** Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent; withdrawal.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Detroit District, is issuing this notice to advise Federal, state, and local government agencies and the public that the USACE is withdrawing its Notice of Intent to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the reevaluation study of flood risk management alternatives for the North Branch Ecorse Creek, Wayne County, Michigan.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Charles Uhlarik, Chief, Environmental Analysis Branch, at (313) 226-2476 or by mail at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District; 477 Michigan Avenue, 6th Floor; Detroit, MI 48226-2550.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Corps of Engineers published a notice of intent to prepare a DEIS in the September 24, 2010, issue of the **Federal Register** (75 FR 58369). Since that time, scoping comments and public meetings, a Draft U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Coordination Act Report, an Environmental Assessment (EA), and agency/public review of the EA did not reveal any significant impacts on the human environment. Therefore, the Detroit District, Corps of Engineers, is no longer considering preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the North Branch Ecorse Creek, Flood Risk Management General Reevaluation Study.

**Paul A. Powell,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Proposed Agency Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy (DOE).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for OMB review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance, pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, a three-year extension to its collection of information titled: *Budget Justification*, OMB No. 1910-5162. The proposed collection will establish application consistency for numerous Grant and Cooperative Agreement application packages from potential and chosen recipients. This effort will also streamline processes and provide applicants with a clear and straightforward tool to assist with project budgeting. In addition it will endow DOE reviewers with adequate information to determine if proposed costs are allowable, allocable, and reasonable.

**DATES:** Comments regarding this continued information collection must be received on or before May 5, 2018. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the DOE Desk Officer at OMB of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at (202) 395-4650.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to: DOE Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10102, 735 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

And to: U.S. Department of Energy, Golden Field Office, 15013 Denver West Parkway, Golden, CO 80401-3111, Attn: James Cash.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to James Cash, U.S. Department of Energy, Golden Field Office, 15013 Denver West Parkway, Golden, CO 80401-3111, or by phone (240) 562-1456, or by email at [james.cash@ee.doe.gov](mailto:james.cash@ee.doe.gov). The information collection instrument, titled "Budget Justification" may also be viewed at <https://energy.gov/eere/funding/downloads/budget-justification-eere-335-and-3351>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This information collection request contains:

- (1) *OMB No.* 1910-5162, Budget Justification;
- (2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Budget Justification;
- (3) *Type of Request:* Renewal;
- (4) *Purpose:* This collection of information is necessary in order for DOE to identify allowable, allocable, and reasonable recipient project costs

eligible for Grants and Cooperative Agreements under Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) programs;

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents*: 400;

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses*: 400;

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours*: 24 hours, per response;

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden*: \$940.80 per one time response;

(9) *Statutory Authority*: Section 989(a) EPCA 2005 [Merit Review] {42 U.S.C. 16353(a)}; Section 646 DOE Organization Act [Contracts] {42 U.S.C. 7256(a)}; and 31 U.S.C. 503 (the Chief Financial Officers Act, Functions of the Deputy Director for Management), 31 U.S.C. 1111 (Improving Economy and Efficiency of the United States Government), 41 U.S.C. 1101–1131 (the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act), Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1970, and Executive Order 11541 (“Prescribing the Duties of the Office of Management and Budget and the Domestic Policy Council in the Executive Office of the President”), the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, (31 U.S.C. 7501–7507), as well as The Federal Program Information Act (Pub. L. 95–220 and Pub. L. 98–169, as amended, codified at 31 U.S.C. 6101–6106).

Issued in Golden, CO, on March 22, 2018.

**Derek Passarelli,**

*Director, Golden Field Office, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Golden Field Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP17–101–000]

#### Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC, Northeast Supply Enhancement Project

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) has prepared a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Northeast Supply Enhancement Project (NESE Project or Project) as proposed by Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC (Transco) in the above-referenced docket. Transco requests authorization to construct and operate 36.9 miles of onshore and

offshore natural gas transmission pipeline loop<sup>1</sup> and associated facilities, one new natural gas-fired compressor station, and modifications at one existing compressor station. The Project would provide about 400,000 dekatherms per day of natural gas to end use residential and commercial customers in the New York City area.

The draft EIS assesses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the Project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The FERC staff concludes that approval of the Project would result in some adverse environmental impacts; however, all impacts would be reduced to less-than-significant levels with the implementation of Transco’s proposed mitigation and the additional measures recommended in the draft EIS.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the City of New York participated as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the draft EIS. Cooperating agencies have jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to resources potentially affected by the proposals and participate in the NEPA analysis. Although the cooperating agencies provide input to the conclusions and recommendations presented in the draft EIS, the agencies will each present its own conclusions and recommendations in its respective record of decision or determination for the Project.

The draft EIS addresses the potential environmental effects of the construction and operation of the following Project facilities:

- 10.2 miles of 42-inch-diameter pipeline loop in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania (the Quarryville Loop);
- 3.4 miles of 26-inch-diameter pipeline loop in Middlesex County, New Jersey (the Madison Loop);
- 23.5 miles of 26-inch-diameter pipeline loop in Middlesex and Monmouth Counties, New Jersey, and Queens and Richmond Counties, New York (the Raritan Bay Loop<sup>2</sup>);
- modification of existing Compressor Station 200 in Chester County, Pennsylvania;
- construction of new Compressor Station 206 in Somerset County, New Jersey; and

<sup>1</sup> A loop is a segment of pipe that is installed adjacent to an existing pipeline and connected to it at both ends. A loop generally allows more gas to move through the system.

<sup>2</sup> Except for 0.2 mile of pipe in onshore Middlesex County, New Jersey, the Raritan Bay Loop would occur in offshore New Jersey waters (6.0 miles) and offshore New York waters (17.3 miles).

• ancillary facilities (including cathodic protection systems, new and modified mainline valves with tie-in assemblies, new and modified launcher/receiver facilities, and facilities to connect the Raritan Bay Loop to the existing Rockaway Delivery Lateral at the Rockaway Transfer Point).

The FERC staff mailed copies of the draft EIS to federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American tribes; potentially affected landowners and other interested individuals and groups; and newspapers and libraries in the Project area. Paper copy versions of this draft EIS were mailed to those specifically requesting them; all others received a CD version. In addition, the draft EIS is available for public viewing on the FERC’s website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) using the eLibrary link. A limited number of copies are available for distribution and public inspection at: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE, Room 2A, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 502–8371.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft EIS may do so. To ensure consideration of your comments on the proposal in the final EIS, it is important that the Commission receive your comments on or before May 14, 2018.

For your convenience, there are four methods you can use to submit your comments to the Commission. The Commission will provide equal consideration to all comments received, whether filed in written form or provided verbally. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert staff available to assist you at (202) 502–8258 or [FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov](mailto:FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov). Please carefully follow these instructions so that your comments are properly recorded.

(1) You can file your comments electronically using the eComment feature on the Commission’s website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to Documents and Filings. This is an easy method for submitting brief, text-only comments on a project;

(2) You can file your comments electronically by using the eFiling feature on the Commission’s website ([www.ferc.gov](http://www.ferc.gov)) under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling, you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on “eRegister.” If you are filing a comment on a particular project,