Public Notice – 401 Certification Application

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Project Name:

Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan Line 2000 - Blythe to Cactus City Project
WDID No. 7B333027001, RM 438097, Place ID. 866795

Receiving Water:

Impacted waters include 14 unnamed ephemeral drainages. Drainages at the eastern end of the project flow into dry lakebeds including Ford Lake. Drainages at the western end of the project flow into the Salton Sea.

Location:

City or area: Various locations along L2000 between Blythe to Cactus City, Riverside County, California

Longitude/ Latitude: 33.6038° North, -114.7139° West to 33.6677° North, -115.9112° West

Township/Range: Sections 31&36, Township 6S, Ranges 21&22E

The project segment of the pipeline traverses desert habitat from just west of the city of Blythe to the Cactus City Station, all in unincorporated Riverside County, California. This segment of the pipeline roughly follows the alignment of Interstate 10 (I-10), sometimes south of the interstate and sometimes north. It passes through unincorporated communities of Mesa Verde, Desert Center, and Chiriaco Summit.

Project Description:

This Pipeline Safety Enhancement Plan (PSEP) project includes hydrostatic testing of approximately 64.7 miles of Line 2000, a 30-inch natural gas pipeline. The project will use approximately 2,614,012 gallons of water for testing of the longest test section, approximately 14.14 miles in length. Water would then be pushed through to remaining pipe sections for testing.

Work at test breaks will consist of ground excavation to expose existing pipe, cut and remove the existing 30-inch pipe, attach test heads, fill test section with water, hydrotest the test section, dewater and dry the pipeline, install new pipe to tie-in the section to the existing pipeline, and backfill the excavation. Excavated soil will be stockpiled within the proposed workspace. Native material will be utilized for backfill on unpaved area and slurry will be used for paved areas.

Anticipated Project Start and End Dates:

Start 09/01/2020, End 03/31/2021, 180 days

US Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit Number(s):

3 or 33

Action:

Pending

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