

Columbia Gulf's Mainline Pool to a primary delivery point at an interconnection with KMLP in Evangeline Parish, Louisiana.

Each new compressor station (Shelburn Compressor Station in East Carroll Parish, Red Mountain Compressor Station in Catahoula Parish, and Chicot Compressor Station in Evangeline Parish) would include two 23,470 horsepower (hp) Solar Turbine Titan 130 natural gas turbine driven compressors (totaling 46,940 hp), filter/separators, gas cooling bays, 48-inch-diameter suction and 42-inch-diameter discharge piping, and related appurtenant facilities.

Modifications to the existing Alexandria Compressor Station in Rapides Parish would include additional cooling bays with associated piping and appurtenant facilities.

The general location of the Louisiana Xpress Project facilities is shown in appendix 2.

Land Requirements for Construction

Construction of the proposed facilities would disturb about 167.4 acres of land for the aboveground facilities. Following construction, Columbia Gulf would maintain about 35.8 acres for permanent operation of the project's facilities; the remaining acreage would be restored and revert to former uses.

The EA Process

The EA will discuss impacts that could occur as a result of the construction and operation of the proposed project under these general headings:

- Geology and soils;
- water resources and wetlands;
- vegetation and wildlife;
- threatened and endangered species;
- cultural resources;
- socioeconomic;
- land use;
- air quality and noise;
- public safety; and
- cumulative impacts.

Commission staff will also evaluate reasonable alternatives to the proposed project or portions of the project, and make recommendations on how to lessen or avoid impacts on the various resource areas.

The EA will present Commission staffs' independent analysis of the issues. The EA will be available in electronic format in the public record through eLibrary² and the Commission's website (<https://www.ferc.gov/industries/gas/enviro/eis.asp>). If eSubscribed, you will receive

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instant email notification when the EA is issued. The EA may be issued for an allotted public comment period.

Commission staff will consider all comments on the EA before making recommendations to the Commission. To ensure Commission staff have the opportunity to address your comments, please carefully follow the instructions in the Public Participation section, beginning on page 2.

With this notice, the Commission is asking agencies with jurisdiction by law and/or special expertise with respect to the environmental issues of the project to formally cooperate in the preparation of the EA.³ Agencies that would like to request cooperating agency status should follow the instructions for filing comments provided under the Public Participation section of this notice.

Consultation Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act

In accordance with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's implementing regulations for section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the Commission is using this notice to initiate consultation with the applicable State Historic Preservation Office, and to solicit their views and those of other government agencies, interested Indian tribes, and the public on the project's potential effects on historic properties.⁴ The EA for these project will document findings on the impacts on historic properties and summarize the status of consultations under section 106.

Environmental Mailing List

The environmental mailing list includes federal, state, and local government representatives and agencies; elected officials; environmental and public interest groups; Native American Tribes; other interested parties, newspapers and local libraries. This list also includes all affected landowners (as defined in the Commission's regulations) who are potential right-of-way grantors, whose property may be used temporarily for project purposes, or who own homes within certain distances of aboveground facilities, and anyone who submits comments on the project. Commission staff will update the environmental

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mailing list as the analysis proceeds to ensure that Commission notices related to this environmental review are sent to all individuals, organizations, and government entities interested in and/or potentially affected by the proposed project.

If the Commission issues the EA for an allotted public comment period, a *Notice of Availability* of the EA will be sent to the environmental mailing list and will provide instructions to access the electronic document on the FERC's website (www.ferc.gov). If you need to make changes to your name/address, or if you would like to remove your name from the mailing list, please return the attached "Mailing List Update Form" (appendix 3).

Additional Information

Additional information about the project is available from the Commission's Office of External Affairs, at (866) 208-FERC, or on the FERC website at www.ferc.gov using the eLibrary link. Click on the eLibrary link, click on General Search and enter the docket number in the Docket Number field, excluding the last three digits (*i.e.*, CP19-488). Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at FercOnlineSupport@ferc.gov or (866) 208-3676, or for TTY, contact (202) 502-8659. The eLibrary link also provides access to the texts of all formal documents issued by the Commission, such as orders, notices, and rulemakings.

Public sessions or site visits will be posted on the Commission's calendar located at www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx along with other related information.

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Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. CP19-484-000]

Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline, LLC; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Acadiana Project and Request for Comments on Environmental Issues

The staff of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) will prepare an

environmental assessment (EA) that will discuss the environmental impacts of the Acadiana Project involving construction and operation of facilities by Kinder Morgan Louisiana Pipeline, LLC (KMLP) in Acadia and Evangeline Parishes, Louisiana. The Commission will use this EA in its decision-making process to determine whether the project is in the public convenience and necessity.

This notice announces the opening of the scoping process the Commission will use to gather input from the public and interested agencies about issues regarding the project. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires the Commission to take into account the environmental impacts that could result from its action whenever it considers the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. NEPA also requires the Commission to discover concerns the public may have about proposals. This process is referred to as “scoping.” The main goal of the scoping process is to focus the analysis in the EA on the important environmental issues. By this notice, the Commission requests public comments on the scope of issues to address in the EA. To ensure that your comments are timely and properly recorded, please submit your comments so that the Commission receives them in Washington, DC on or before 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on September 27, 2019.

You can make a difference by submitting your specific comments or concerns about the project. Your comments should focus on the potential environmental effects, reasonable alternatives, and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impacts. Your input will help the Commission staff determine what issues they need to evaluate in the EA. Commission staff will consider all filed comments during the preparation of the EA.

If you sent comments on the project to the Commission before the opening of the docket on June 28, 2019, you will need to file those comments in Docket No. CP19-484-000 to ensure they are considered as part of this proceeding.

This notice is being sent to the Commission’s current environmental mailing list for the project. State and local government representatives should notify their constituents of the proposed project and encourage them to comment on their areas of concern.

If you are a landowner receiving this notice, a pipeline company representative may contact you about the acquisition of an easement to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed facilities. The company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable

easement agreement. You are not required to enter into an agreement. However, if the Commission approves the project, that approval conveys with it the right of eminent domain. Therefore, if you and the company do not reach an easement agreement, the pipeline company could initiate condemnation proceedings in court. In such instances, compensation would be determined by a judge in accordance with state law.

KMLP provided landowners with a fact sheet prepared by the FERC entitled “An Interstate Natural Gas Facility On My Land? What Do I Need To Know?” This fact sheet addresses a number of typically asked questions, including the use of eminent domain and how to participate in the Commission’s proceedings. It is also available for viewing on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov) at <https://www.ferc.gov/resources/guides/gas/gas.pdf>.

Public Participation

The Commission offers a free service called eSubscription which makes it easy to stay informed of all issuances and submittals regarding the docket/project to which you subscribe. These instant email notifications are the fastest way to receive notification and provide a link to the document files which can reduce the amount of time you spend researching proceedings. To sign up go to www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp.

For your convenience, there are three methods you can use to submit your comments to the Commission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has staff available to assist you at (866) 208-3676 or 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, which is located on the Commission’s website (www.ferc.gov) under the link to *Documents and Filings*. Using *eComment* 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, which is also on the Commission’s website (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*.” You will be asked to select the type of filing you are making; a

comment on a particular project is considered a “Comment on a Filing;” or

(3) You can file a paper copy of your comments by mailing them to the following address. Be sure to reference the project docket number (CP19-484-000) with your submission: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426.

Summary of the Proposed Project

KMLP proposes to construct and operate three new natural gas-fired compressor units at its existing compressor station, make modifications to meter piping and new control valves at its existing meter station, as well as install auxiliary facilities at both locations. The Acadiana Project would increase the north-south natural gas delivery capacity on its pipeline system by approximately 894,000 dekatherms per day. According to KMLP, its project would meet the needs of Sabine Pass Liquefaction, LLC at its liquefied natural gas export terminal in Cameron Parish, Louisiana.

The Acadiana Project would consist of the installation of the following facilities:

- Three new 31,900 horsepower Solar Titan 250 natural gas-fired turbine driven compressor units at KMLP’s existing Compressor Station 760, in Acadia Parish, Louisiana. Additionally, KMLP would install natural gas cooling equipment, two compressor buildings, two master control buildings, a switchgear building, two emergency generators (requiring an extension of the existing auxiliary building), filter separators, fuel gas skids, fuel gas heaters, and re-wheel the two existing compressor units at Compressor Station 760; and

- Piping modifications and new control valves at KMLP’s existing Columbia Gulf Transmission, LLC Meter Station in Evangeline Parish, Louisiana.

The general location of the Acadiana Project facilities is shown in appendix 1.¹

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Construction of the proposed facilities would disturb about 88.5 acres of land for all project facilities. Following construction, KMLP would maintain about 3.14 acres for permanent operation of the project’s facilities; the

¹ The appendices referenced in this notice will not appear in the **Federal Register**. Copies of appendices were sent to all those receiving this notice in the mail and are available at www.ferc.gov using the link called “eLibrary” or from the Commission’s Public Reference Room, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, or call (202) 502-8371. For instructions on connecting to eLibrary, refer to the last page of this notice.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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[Project No. 14968-000]

Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions To Intervene, and Competing Applications: Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund XV, LLC

On March 1, 2019, Lock+™ Hydro Friends Fund XV, LLC, filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Francis Walter Dam Hydropower Project to be located at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) Francis Walter Dam on the Lehigh River in Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) A new 30-foot-wide, 30-foot-deep, 160-foot-tall modular frame structure to be installed at the intake for the outlet pipe adjacent to the outlet tower, containing two turbine-generator units with a rated capacity of 2,400 kilowatts each; (2) a new switchgear and control room located in the modular structure; and (3) a new 13-kilovolt transmission line connecting the modular structure with a nearby existing electrical grid. The proposed project would have an annual generation of 20,000 megawatt-hours.

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