

# Buckeye XPress Project

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Why is the Buckeye XPress project needed?**

Buckeye XPress is part of TransCanada's ongoing Modernization Program to replace aging infrastructure, upgrade natural gas compression systems and increase pipeline reliability. This pipeline has been slated for modernization because it includes a vital natural gas supply line for Ohio to regional markets throughout the United States.

### **How does TransCanada determine what pipelines need to be replaced?**

TransCanada analyzes data and numerous factors when evaluating a pipeline for replacement. Key factors include age, type of pipe, location, population density and market demand.

### **What new infrastructure is included in the project?**

TransCanada proposes to replace approximately 64 miles of existing 20-inch-diameter and 24-inch-diameter natural gas pipeline as part of our modernization efforts. There is also the potential to replace this line with 36-inch diameter pipeline to meet growing market demand in the Appalachian region and beyond.

TransCanada will also need to increase the operating pressure at compressor stations to allow for larger volumes along the pipeline.

### **Will I be notified if the pipeline is going to impact my property?**

Yes. Landowners who might be impacted by the Buckeye XPress project will be contacted early in the process by a TransCanada land representative and be informed in advance of the need to conduct property surveys.

### **Can you show me where the pipeline work will occur on my property?**

TransCanada land representatives will provide details about where the pipeline is located on your property and what you can expect during the replacement process.

### **Who will review and approve the project?**

As an interstate pipeline, the primary regulatory body overseeing the Buckeye XPress project will be the [Federal Energy Regulatory Commission](#) (FERC). FERC will conduct a comprehensive and transparent environmental review of the project, which will include working closely with landowners, local officials and communities. Project approval will also require permits and/or consultation with federal and state natural resources agencies (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, EPA, Fish & Wildlife Service, State Departments of Environmental Protection and Departments of Natural Resources).



### **Are pipelines safe?**

Yes. Pipelines are the safest, most efficient method of transporting the large volumes of natural gas that must be moved across our continent every day to heat and cool our homes, cook our food and power our businesses. TransCanada takes safety very seriously, especially when it comes to the public and the environment. We employ best practices and industry-leading techniques for constructing pipelines.

### **What kind of safety programs does TransCanada employ?**

TransCanada's construction and operations standards meet or exceed the comprehensive federal pipeline safety program standards implemented by the U.S. Department of Transportation. We construct new pipelines with high-strength steel that is coated with an epoxy bonding to protect the pipeline while it is in service. Specially-trained employees monitor the performance of this and many other pipelines from our Charleston, W.Va. Gas Control Center 24 hours per day. We also have a range of leak-detection tools to ensure we are aware of and can quickly respond to anything that appears out of the ordinary on our natural gas pipeline systems.

### **How will the environment be protected?**

Before TransCanada can start the Buckeye XPress project, we must conduct a thorough and transparent environmental review process overseen by FERC. A FERC review team will analyze the project's estimated impact on land, water, air and wildlife resources and measures to mitigate any impact. TransCanada is committed to minimizing disruptions the project may cause to land, water and habitat for animals. Once construction is completed, great care will be taken to return the land along the pipeline's right of way to its original condition, use and biological diversity.

### **About TransCanada**

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