

Appalachia to Market 3 Project

The Appalachia to Market 3 Project will provide natural gas transportation service from the Appalachia supply basin in Southwest Pennsylvania to existing local distribution company customers in New Jersey.

WHAT

The Project proposes installation of approximately 2 miles of 36" high pressure pipeline within an existing pipeline right-of-way. The existing 24" pipeline will be removed and the proposed 36" pipeline will be installed in the same location. Additionally, a receiver pad will be constructed at the eastern terminus of the pipeline. The pipeline corridor is located between Bakers Watering Trough Road and Baltimore Pike (SR 0194) in Reading Township, Adams County and Washington Township, York County.

WHERE

The Appalachia to Market 3 is in Adams and York Counties.

LEAD DEP REVIEWING OFFICE(S):

Regional Permit Coordination Office



DEP PERMITS REQUIRED

Multiple DEP permits and approvals are proposed for this project. These include:

- Section 401- State Water Quality Certification: Pursuant to Section 401 of the Federal Clean
 Water Act, DEP will process a State Water Quality Certification to ensure that activities
 associated with proposed interstate natural gas transmission pipeline project regulated by
 the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) complies with state law requirements
 necessary to protect the quality of the waters of the Commonwealth. This certification is
 often authorized conditionally and serves as an index for all DEP water-related
 permits/approvals that may be required for a pipeline project.
- Chapter 105 Water Obstruction and Encroachment Permits: This type of permit is required for
 water obstructions or encroachment activities located in, along, across or projecting into a
 watercourse, floodway or body of water, including wetlands. For this project, the majority of the
 regulated activities are associated with crossing the Conemaugh River. The company applied for
 two general permits.

- Chapter 102 Erosion & Sediment Control Permit: This type of permit is required for earth
 disturbance associated with oil and gas exploration, production, processing or treatment
 operations or transmission facilities when earth disturbance is five acres or greater. For this
 project, DEP staff will work closely with the County Conservation Districts to review and process
 applications.
- NPDES Permit for Hydrostatic Test Water Discharges: This permit is required for proposed discharges of wastewater generated as a result of pressure testing of pipes to detect any leaks before the pipeline is put into service.

PERMIT APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS: HIGHLIGHTS

- On May 15, 2025, DEP received the NOI for the Chapter 102 Erosion and Sediment Control General Permit (ESCGP-4) and two Chapter 105 general permit applications.
- On May 16, 2025, DEP received a state water quality certification (SWQC) application.
- On June 18, 2025, an incompleteness letter was sent for the ESCGP-4 NOI.
- On July 9, 2025, a completeness letter was sent for the SWQC application.

TO PROVIDE QUESTIONS/COMMENTS:

Questions or comments regarding DEP's review of the project can be submitted to the Regional Permit Coordination Office at RA-EPREGIONALPERMIT@pa.gov.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Additional information, including copies of documents submitted to DEP and opportunities for public involvement, can be found on DEP's Pipeline Portal.

https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/ProgramIntegration/Pennsylvania-Pipeline-Portal/Pages/default.aspx