
Information

TransCanada to Host Open Houses for Proposed Keystone Pipeline

CALGARY, Alberta - October 18, 2005 – TransCanada Corporation will host a series of open houses next month to provide stakeholders along the proposed corridor of the Keystone Pipeline with information about this potential crude oil pipeline. The Keystone Pipeline would transport reliable North American oil supplies to help meet the rising U.S. demand for energy.

The Keystone open houses, which will run November 7-17 in North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Missouri and Illinois, will provide information on topics such as the need for the Keystone Pipeline, environmental field work, pipeline design, public consultation efforts and pipeline operations and safety. The public is welcome to drop by the open houses and learn more about the project from members of the Keystone project team.

“During the upcoming open house sessions, we hope to hear about local issues we should consider as we examine routes and develop project plans,” said Keystone Pipeline Project Manager, Brian Peterson. “Public input is an integral part of our planning process and we encourage all interested parties to attend an open house. TransCanada is committed to establishing and maintaining positive relationships in the communities where we operate, and these open houses are an important start to that effort.”

The open houses are part of TransCanada’s extensive public consultation efforts for the Keystone Pipeline. When the project was announced in February 2005, TransCanada representatives met with more than 400 public officials and community leaders in potentially neighboring communities to discuss proposed project plans and listen to feedback. Other public consultation elements have included research, a project newsletter, a toll-free project hotline and a project web site.

The proposed 1,760-mile Keystone Pipeline would transport approximately 435,000 barrels of oil per day from an oil supply-hub near Hardisty, Alberta to markets at Wood River and Patoka, Illinois. The project will require the construction of nearly 1,000 miles of new pipe along the U.S. portion of the proposed route, which includes areas in North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Missouri and Illinois. In Canada, Keystone would require the conversion of 540 miles of existing TransCanada pipeline from natural gas to crude oil in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, as well as the construction of 220 miles of new pipe. Keystone will require regulatory approvals from a variety of Canadian and U.S. agencies before construction can begin.

To view a map of the proposed pipeline route and other information about the Keystone project, please visit the project web page at (www.transcanada.com/keystone).

The Keystone Project toll-free number is 1-866-717-7473.

Open House Details

The Keystone Open Houses will be held from 4-8 p.m. in the following communities, as indicated:

North Dakota

Grafton: Marketplace on 8th, 43 E. 8th St., Monday, Nov. 7

Finley: City Auditorium, 202 Central Ave., Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Lisbon: Cheyenne Valley Eagle's Club, 6540 Hwy. 32, Wednesday, Nov. 9.

South Dakota

Clark: Clark Community Center, 120 N. Commercial St., Thursday, Nov. 10.

Howard: Howard Armory Building, 210 Pleasant St., Monday, Nov. 14.

Parker: Parker Community Building, 299 N. Main Ave., Tuesday, Nov. 15.

Iowa

Akron: St. Patrick's Parish Hall, corner of 3rd and Mill St., Wednesday, Nov. 16.

Anthon: Anthon Community Center, 110 S. 5th Ave., Thursday, Nov. 17.

Harlan: Veterans Memorial Auditorium, 1104 Morningview Dr., Monday, Nov. 7.

Creston: Three Mile Lake Lodge, 1575 Creamery Rd. (Afton), Tuesday, Nov. 8.

Missouri

Trenton: Ketcham Community Center, Sugg Conference Room, North Central Missouri College, 1322 Mable, Wednesday, Nov. 9.

Keytesville: Keytesville Community Center, 300 W. Bridge, Thursday, Nov. 10.

Mexico: Audrain County Courthouse, Community Room, 101 N. Jefferson, Monday, Nov. 14.

Troy: VFW Post 8828, 444 Highway J, Tuesday, Nov. 15.

St. Charles: Orchard Farm High School, Commons Area, 2165 Highway V, Wednesday, Nov. 16.

Illinois

Greenville: Ethan's Place, 1745 S. State Route 127 (intersection of Route 127 and I-70), Thursday, Nov. 17.

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