



**PRE-FILING REVIEW for the
SABAL TRAIL PROJECT
Docket No. PF14-1-000**

The Project: Sabal Trail Project

Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC (STT) has announced its intention to construct a new natural gas transmission pipeline in Alabama, Georgia, and Florida. The proposed project is referred to as the Sabal Trail Project. The Sabal Trail Project would be one component of the Southeast Market Pipelines (SMP) Project, which would also include Florida Southeast Connection, LLC's Florida Southeast Connection Project (FSC Project) and Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC's Hillabee Expansion Project.

STT would build approximately 460 miles of 36-inch-diameter natural gas transmission pipeline beginning at an interconnection with the Hillabee Expansion Project in Tallapoosa County, Alabama and ending at an interconnection with the FSC Project in Osceola County, Florida. The new pipeline would cross Tallapoosa, Chambers, Lee, and Russell Counties, Alabama; Stewart, Webster, Terrell, Lee, Dougherty, Mitchell, Colquitt, Brooks, and Lowndes Counties, Georgia; and Hamilton, Madison, Suwannee, Gilchrist, Alachua, Levy,

Marion, Sumter, Lake, Polk, and Osceola Counties, Florida. The Sabal Trail Project would also include approximately 14 miles of 36-inch-diameter natural gas transmission pipeline in Osceola and Orange Counties, Florida; approximately 24 miles of 24-inch-diameter natural gas transmission pipeline in Marion and Citrus Counties, Florida; five new compressor stations; and six new meter stations. The new pipelines would parallel other linear facilities for approximately 80 percent of their length. STT plans to begin construction in 2016 and begin placing the facilities in service by May 2017.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC or Commission) is the federal agency charged by Congress with determining whether natural gas pipeline projects, such as the Sabal Trail Project, are in the public convenience and necessity. The information below explains the FERC's review process for the planned Sabal Trail Project and how you can get involved early in the process.

The Process: A "Pre-Filing" Review has Begun

The FERC is the lead federal agency responsible for reviewing interstate natural gas transmission pipeline projects in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). As part of this process, the FERC will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the combined SMP Project, including the Sabal Trail Project component. The FERC will use the EIS to consider the environmental impact that could result if it issues STT a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity consistent with section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act.

The Sabal Trail Project is in the preliminary planning phase – the precise details have not yet been finalized and a formal application has not been filed with the FERC. However, the FERC has initiated a pre-filing, or pre-application, review process for the Sabal Trail Project to allow early involvement by citizens, governmental entities, and other interested parties.

The purpose of the pre-filing process is to encourage involvement by interested stakeholders in a manner that allows for the early identification and resolution of environmental issues. During the pre-filing process, the FERC staff will notify affected landowners, citizen groups, governmental entities, and other interested parties of the Sabal Trail Project and will request comments from them. You

can make a difference by providing the FERC with your specific comments or concerns about the Sabal Trail Project during the pre-filing process.

The FERC staff will work with all interested stakeholders to identify and attempt to address issues prior to the time when STT files its application with the FERC.

In December 2013, the FERC staff will participate in public open houses sponsored by STT to explain the review process to interested stakeholders. In 2014, the FERC staff intends to issue a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS for the combined SMP Project, including the Sabal Trail Project. The notice will be sent to affected landowners, jurisdictional agencies, governmental entities, Native American tribes, citizen groups, local libraries and newspapers, and other interested parties. The NOI will also be published in the Federal Register. The notice will describe the planned Sabal Trail Project, discuss the issues identified to date, and request written comments or concerns about the Sabal Trail Project. The NOI will also announce the time, date, and location of FERC sponsored public scoping meetings in the Sabal Trail Project area, and the scoping meetings will also be posted on the Commission's calendar located at www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar/EventsList.aspx along with other related information.

Your Input Is Valued

Early involvement by you and others will help the FERC staff evaluate the Sabal Trail Project's potential impact on the environment. Please help this process work by providing the FERC with written comments and concerns about the potential environmental impact of the Sabal Trail Project. You can also contact STT directly at 888-215-6683 or adgrover@spectraenergy.com with your specific comments or concerns.

Your comments to the FERC will be most useful if they focus on the potential environmental effects of the proposal, alternatives to the proposal (including alternative locations and routes), and measures to avoid or lessen environmental impact. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be. Comments that you submit to the FERC during the pre-filing process will be part of the public record and will not have to be resubmitted after STT files its application with the FERC.

How to Share Your Comments and Concerns with the FERC

For your convenience, there are three methods that you can use to submit your comments to the Commission. In all instances please reference the Sabal Trail Project docket number (PF14-1-000) with your submission. The Commission encourages electronic filing of comments and has expert eFiling staff available to assist you at (202) 502-8258 or efiling@ferc.gov.

(1) You may file your comments electronically by using the "eComment" feature, which is located at www.ferc.gov under the link called "[Documents and Filings](#)." eComment is an easy method for interested persons to submit text-only comments on a project;

(2) You may file your comments electronically by using the "eFiling" feature that is listed under the "[Documents and Filings](#)" link. eFiling involves preparing your submission in the same manner as

you would if filing on paper, and then saving the file on your computer's hard drive. You will attach that file to your submission. New eFiling users must first create an account by clicking on the links called "[Sign up](#)" or "[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 may file a paper copy of your comments at the following address:

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE, Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

How to See What Else Is Filed with the FERC

To see what information has been filed with the FERC regarding the Sabal Trail Project, go to the FERC website at www.ferc.gov and use the "eLibrary" link. Select "General Search" from the eLibrary menu and enter the docket number (i.e., PF14-1) in the Docket Number field. Be sure you have selected an appropriate date range and follow

the instructions. Searches may also be done using the phrase "Sabal Trail Project" in the "Text Search" field. For assistance with access to eLibrary, use FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or the FERC telephone helpline at 1-866-208-3676 (TTY contact 202-502-8659).

How to Contact STT

To request additional information on the Sabal Trail Project or to provide comments directly to the Sabal Trail Project sponsor, you can contact STT by phone at 888-215-6683 or by email at adgrover@spectraenergy.com. Also, STT has established an Internet website at www.sabaltrail.com.

The website includes a description of the Sabal Trail Project and links to related documents. STT will update the website as the review of its Sabal Trail Project proceeds.



- Preliminary Sabal Trail Mainline Route
- Preliminary Citrus County Line Route
- Preliminary Hunters Creek Line Route
- Preliminary Compressor Station Locations (phased in as necessary)



**SABAL TRAIL PROJECT
PROJECT OVERVIEW MAP**

DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2013

Source: National Atlas



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