

Public Notice

APPLICANT: Enbridge Energy,

Limited Partnership

ISSUED: 18 JAN 2019 EXPIRES: 21 FEB 2019

SECTION: 404 - Clean Water Act

SECTION: 10 - Rivers and Harbors Act SECTION: 408 - Rivers and Harbors Act

REFER TO: MVP-2014-01071-TJH

1. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), St. Paul District, will extend the public comment period on the Department of the Army permit application for the Enbridge Line 3 Replacement Project (Project) an additional 30 days, from January 21, 2019 to February 21, 2019.

St. Paul District is currently evaluating a permit request for construction-related activities affecting water resources associated with the proposed Enbridge Line 3 crude oil pipeline replacement. The project permit application and full public notice can be found at: www.mvp.usace.army.mil/Enbridge Line3.

The proposed Project involves the replacement of pipeline across 80 miles of wetlands in Minnesota and approximately 1-mile in North Dakota. Construction of the proposed Project would result in temporary impacts to approximately 1,000 acres of wetlands, and permanent impacts to 10 acres of wetlands. The project requires crossing 211 water bodies, approximately half of which are ditches.

The Corps extended the comment period an additional 30 days after receiving multiple requests for an extension from the public during the original comment period, which began on December 20, 2018. The original deadline to submit comments on this project was January 21, 2019.

2. REPLIES/COMMENTS.

The Corps is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; Indian tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

The Corps has regulatory authority under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and under Sections 10 and 14 (33 U.S.C. § 408) of the Rivers and Harbors Act. The Corps regulates placement of fill material in wetlands and other waters, as well as work and structures in navigable waters. Under the authorities listed above, the Corps does not regulate the overall construction or operation of pipelines, nor does it regulate the siting of any type of pipeline/utility line or any substance being transported within a pipeline. Interested parties are invited to submit to this office written facts, arguments, or objections. These statements should bear upon the impacts to wetlands and waterways as a result of

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the construction-related activities in Enbridge's application and should, if appropriate, suggest any changes believed to be desirable. Comments received may be forwarded to the applicant.

Written comments may be emailed to: CEMVP-L3R-PN-Comments@usace.army.mil

Written comments may be mailed to: St. Paul District Corps of Engineers,

CEMVP-OP-R

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