

January 8, 2021

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Attention: Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary

Re: El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C.;

Docket No. CP20-483-000 Carlsbad South Project

Weekly Environmental Inspector Report No. 19

Commissioners:

El Paso Natural Gas Company, L.L.C. ("EPNG") is hereby filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") in Docket No. CP20-483-000, its weekly status report related to the Carlsbad South Project ("Project").

Description of Proceeding

On June 19, 2020, EPNG filed a prior notice request pursuant to Sections 157.205, 157.208(b), and 157.210 of the Commission's regulations under the Natural Gas Act for authorization to construct an approximate 17.1-mile sixteen-inch (16") outside diameter ("O.D.") loop line of its existing sixteen-inch (16") O.D. Line No. 3191 in Eddy County, New Mexico as well as to undertake minor appurtenant facility modifications at an existing compressor station at Lea County, New Mexico. This project is referred to as the Carlsbad South Project. At the conclusion of the notice period for the Carlsbad South Project on August 24, 2020, the project was deemed approved.

Submittal of Status Report

In compliance with Section 157.208(c)(10) of the Natural Gas Act, EPNG is providing Environmental Inspector Report No. 19 for the period of December 28, 2020 through January 3, 2021.

Filing Information

EPNG is e-Filing this letter and report with the Commission's Secretary in accordance with the Commission's Order No. 703, *Filing Via the Internet*, guidelines issued on November 15, 2007 in Docket No. RM07-16-000.

Respectfully submitted,

EL PASO NATURAL GAS COMPANY, L.L.C.

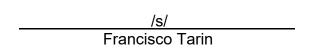
By______/<u>s/</u>
Francisco Tarin
Director, Regulatory

Enclosures

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that I have this day caused a copy of the foregoing documents to be served upon each person designated on the official service list compiled by the Commission's Secretary in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of Section 385.2010 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Dated at Colorado Springs, Colorado as of this 8th day of January 2021.



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EPNG's Weekly Environmental Inspection Report No. 19 Docket No. CP20-483-000		
County/State:	Eddy and Lea Counties, New Mexico	Date: 01/08/2021
Reporting Period:	12/28/2020 – 01/03/2021	
Environmental Inspection:	Raymond Patton, Lead Environmental Inspector	
	Environmental Inspectors:	
	Michael Connors; Mark Cosby; and Daniel Day.	

1. SUMMARY OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY FOR INSPECTION PERIOD:

Line No. 31113:

- Restoration continued on the north spread and is mostly complete on south spread.
- General maintenance of erosion control devices continue on both spreads.
- Water truck operation continues on ROW and access roads on both spreads.

Eunice Compressor Station Modifications:

Eunice Compressor Station modifications work completed.

Ancillary Facilities:

No updates during this reporting period.

2. RELEVANT ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES:

During this reporting period one (1) additional staff received environmental training. In total seven hundred twenty five (725) individuals received training.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS/ISSUES AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN:

- A frac tank at Station Number 906+00 was found to be leaking upon return to site following holidays.
 Approximately 200 gallons of hydrostatic test water was released. The contractor stopped the leak, removed tank and secondary containment, removed affected soil for disposal, and the tank was placed back in secondary containment.
- In reviewing its project right-of-way restoration status, EPNG identified two segments where topsoil was not segregated by EPNG's construction contractor. Timely corrective actions were taken by field environmental inspection staff as follows:
 - a. On September 10, 2020, environmental inspection staff issued a stop work order to a right-of-way grading crew that failed to segregate topsoil between Engineering Stations 216+00 and 225+00 (approximately 900 feet).
 - **Corrective Action**: The grading crew was trained on site by environmental inspection staff on the project-specific topsoiling requirements and the construction superintendent assigned to this portion of the project was alerted to this issue.
 - b. On October 29, 2020, environmental inspection staff issued a stop work order to the grading crew that had failed to segregate topsoil in early September. This grading crew failed to correctly segregate topsoil on the right-of-way between Engineering Stations 283+90 and 290+00 (approximately 610 feet).

Corrective Action: After consulting with the construction superintendent, the grading crew was dismissed from the project.

EPNG notes that right-of-way restoration has been largely completed, including the two segments described above, and is committed to ensure that pre-construction restoration is achieved along the entire project right-of-way.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE ISSUES/RESOLUTIONS:

No environmental compliance issues/resolutions occurred during this reporting period.

5. ISSUES AND CONCERNS IDENTIFIED BY LANDOWNERS:

No landowner issues or concerns identified during this reporting period.

6. WORK PLANNED FOR THE FOLLOWING REPORTING PERIOD:

Pigging of line, restoration of ROW, and minor back fill.

Location: Station Number 906+00 Direction of Photo: East Description Second secondary containment placed for frac tank. Date: 12/28/2020



Location: Station Number 906+00 Direction of Photo: South

Description: Dirt affected by frac tank

removed.

Date: 12/28/2020



Location: Station Number 906+00 Direction of Photo: East Description Frac tank placed back in

secondary containment. **Date:** 12/28/2020



Location: Station Number 906+00 Direction of Photo: East Description: Frac tanks and secondary

containment.

Date: 12/28/2020



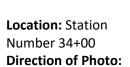
Location: Station Number 0+00 **Direction of Photo:**

North

Description Contractor loading pigs into pig

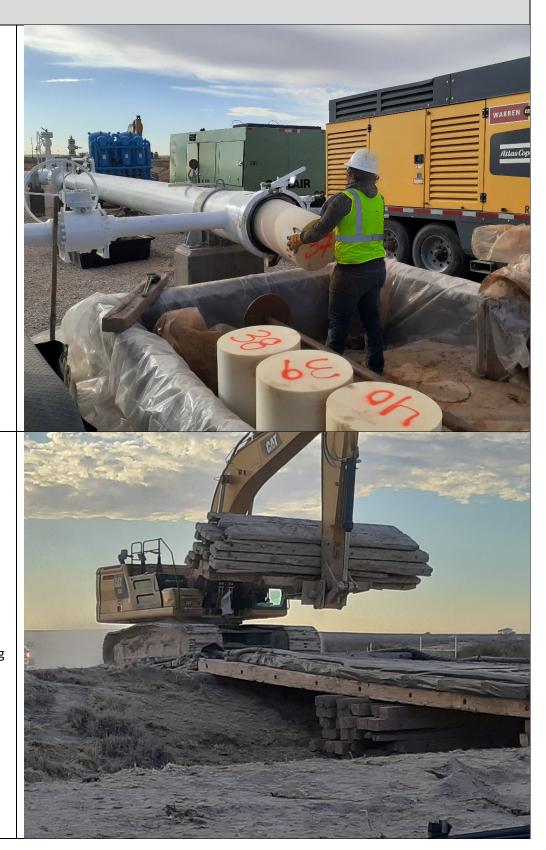
launcher.

Date: 12/28/2020



West

Description: Mats being removed from ROW. **Date:** 12/28/2020



Location: Station Number 906+00 **Direction of Photo:**

Southeast

Description Catch basin

for receiver.

Date: 12/30/2020



Location: Station Number 0+00 **Direction of Photo:**

North

Description: View of safety fence installed at

launcher site.

Date: 12/30/2020

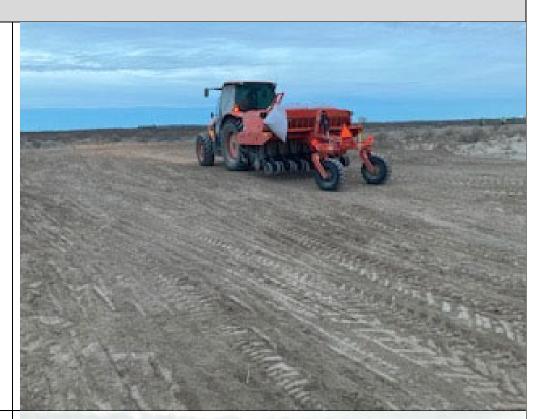


Location: Station Number 144+00 Direction of Photo:

Southeast

Description Seeding by Black River Road access.

Date: 12/31/2020



Location: Station Number 43+00 Direction of Photo:

West

Description: Topsoil

grading.

Date: 12/31/2020

