



October 28, 2024

Ms. Debbie-Anne Reese, Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: *Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC*  
Sakonnet River Replacement Project, Docket No. CP24-49-000  
Weekly Report #13

Dear Ms. Reese:

On January 30, 2024, Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC (“Algonquin”) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC” or “Commission”) a Prior Notice of Blanket Certificate Activity (“Prior Notice”), pursuant to Sections 157.205 and 157.208 of the Commission’s regulations,<sup>1</sup> for the Sakonnet River Replacement Project (“Project”). Algonquin was authorized to commence construction activities for the Project as of June 27, 2024. Algonquin commenced construction activities on July 30, 2024.

Pursuant to Algonquin’s commitment in the Prior Notice to file a weekly Environmental Inspection report, Algonquin hereby submits its weekly report for the period from October 21, 2024 through October 27, 2024.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Gabriel Gonzalez, Specialist II, Rates and Certificates at (713) 627-4198 or the undersigned at (713) 627-5116.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Arthur Diestel  
Arthur Diestel  
Director, Regulatory

Attachments

cc: Tayoka Hall (FERC)

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<sup>1</sup> 18 C.F.R. §§ 157.205 and 157.208 (2023).

**SAKONNET RIVER G-2 REPLACEMENT  
WEEKLY REPORT #13**

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Project:	Sakonnet River Replacement
FERC Docket Number:	CP24-49-000
Report Number:	13
Reporting Period:	October 21 through 27, 2024.

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**PROJECT SUMMARY:**

Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC (Algonquin) will replace approximately 1.6 miles of existing 6-inch diameter piping on the G-2 System with 12-inch diameter piping using a combination of horizontal direction drilling (HDD) and open-cut excavation methods. Additional HDD will be completed to replace a portion of the G-2 pipeline crossing a wetland area known as Cotton Swamp and a standard horizontal bore will be completed to install new pipe below Old Mill Lane. The existing pipeline sections that will be replaced where crossing the Sakonnet River and Cotton Swamp will be cleaned and filled with grout to abandon in-place while onshore portions of abandoned pipeline will be removed by excavation. Aboveground launcher and receiver traps will also be installed to accommodate inline inspection (ILI) tools for future integrity testing of the pipeline. The described maintenance project is referred to as the “Sakonnet River Replacement” (Project).

The Project Limits extend from the east side of the Sakonnet River, in the town of Little Compton, Rhode Island, to an existing Algonquin Meter and Regulation (M&R) Station 00013 in the town of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. The G-2 System is the sole source of natural gas for homes and businesses on Aquidneck Island.

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**SUMMARY OF CURRENT CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES:**

The Project involves work on the east side of the river, in Little Compton (East Side), and west side of the river, in Portsmouth (West Side). For discussion purposes, construction activities will be discussed in reference to the East Side and West Side of the Project. The work as planned does not require work on the Sakonnet River.

**General Activities**

- Provided environmental training to new site workers.
- Continued mobilizing and demobilizing materials and equipment as needed.
- Maintained erosion control devices (ECDs) as needed.

**East Side (Little Compton) Activities**

- Continued 20-inch reaming operations for the river HDD.
- Completed pre-hydrostatic testing of new river HDD pipe string.
- Installed earthen pad for new valve pen and launcher site.

## West Side (Portsmouth) Activities

- Completed 20-inch reaming operations for the wetland HDD and completed pull back of the new pipe.
  - Removed conductor casing and demobilized HDD rig and drill fluid mixing and reclaiming equipment.
- Continued working on open lay section between Old Mill Lane M&R and the road bore. Continued work inside Portsmouth Meter Station (meter station).
  - Prepping for installation of pad for new launcher barrel.
  - Continued installing concrete supports for above-ground piping and new receiver barrel.
  - Completed welding and fabrication of new receiver barrel.
  - Continued backfilling and grading of excavations as no longer needed.

<b>Phase of Construction</b>	<b>Percent Complete</b>
Mobilization	100%
Site Preparation/Mat Placement	100%
Noise Mitigation Controls	100%
Erosion/Sedimentation Controls	100%
Dewatering Infrastructure	100%
HDD Conductor Casing/Pilot Hole – River Crossing	100%
HDD Reaming – River Crossing	55%
Pre-Pull Hydrostatic Test	100%
Pipe Pull-Through – River Crossing	0%
Post-Pull Hydrostatic Testing – River Crossing	0%
Tie in – River Crossing	0%
HDD Conductor Casing/Pilot Hole – Cotton Swamp	100%
HDD Reaming – Cotton Swamp	100%
Pre-Pull Hydrostatic Test – Cotton Swamp	100%
Pipe Pull Through – Cotton Swamp	100%
Post-Pull Hydrostatic Test – Cotton Swamp	0%
Tie In – Cotton Swamp	0%
Standard bore below Old Mill Lane	100%
Road Bore Pre-Pull Hydrostatic Test	100%
Excavation and other Earthwork	92%
Abandoned Pipe Removal	0%
Grouting of Abandoned River Crossing Pipe In-place	0%
Welding of new pipe	98%
Install Cathodic Protection (CP)	75%
Tie-in Bypass System– welding and fabrication	100%
Tie-in Bypass System – Pressure Testing	100%
Tie-in Bypass System – Tie-in	100%

Backfilling and Grading	30%
HDD Demobilization	40%
Tie In Demobilization	0%
Site Restoration/Final Clean-up	0%

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

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The following activities are planned for the next reporting period from October 28 through November 3, 2024:

**General Activities**

- Continue to provide safety and environmental training for new personnel arriving at the worksite.
  - Continue mobilizing equipment and supplies as needed.
  - Remove equipment and supplies as no longer needed.
  - Monitor for ECDs for integrity and effectiveness and maintain as necessary.
  - Continue reaming for the river HDD.
  - Continue monitoring for potential inadvertent returns.
  - Prepare for tie-in of wetland HDD and road bore section to the mainline.
  - Prepare for installation of new ILI launcher and receiver traps.
  - Prepare for installation of new valve station components.
  - Continue installing CP system components.
  - Backfill and grade excavations as work is completed.
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**PROBLEMS/INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE ENCOUNTERED:**

- None during this reporting period.
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**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED:**

- None during this reporting period.
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**EFFECTIVENESS OF CORRECTIVE ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED:**

- None during this reporting period.
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**LANDOWNER/RESIDENT COMPLAINTS:**

- None during this reporting period.
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**AGENCY CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Algonquin was notified by the Little Compton Agricultural Conservancy Trust (the "Trust") that it believed that Algonquin's use of the Fraud Farm property at 173 West Main Road, Little Compton, Rhode Island, was in conflict with an agricultural easement that the Trust holds on the property. Algonquin discussed the matter with the Trust's attorney and explained its use of the property was for temporary workspace only with no ground disturbance and that it would not

be installing any new facilities on the property. Algonquin also stated it had an agreement in place with the landowner. The Trust was generally satisfied that the use of the property for temporary workspace was acceptable.

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**OTHER:**

- None during this reporting period.
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