

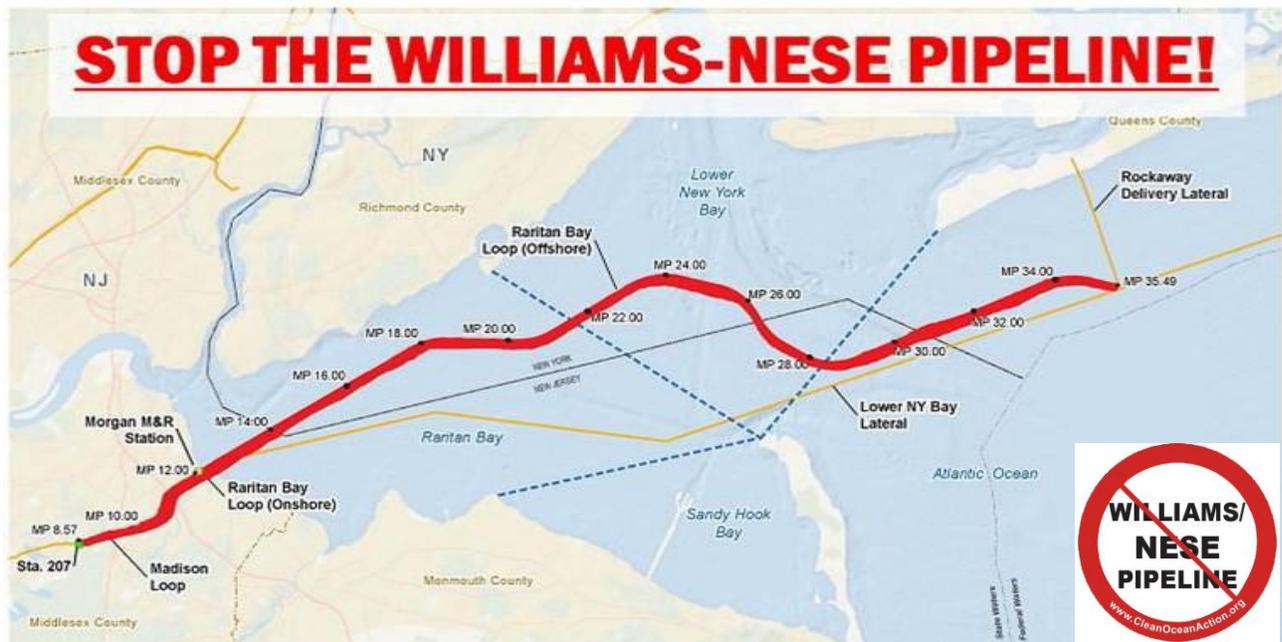


The Fossil Fuel Boondoggle is Back! HELP Save Your Future... STOP THE UN-NESE-SARY PROJECT

WHAT IS THE NESE PROJECT? The Northeast Supply Enhancement (NESE) Project is a massive \$1 billion fossil fuel expansion project to send New York fracked methane gas that it does not need. It consists of a 23.4-mile offshore pipeline and air-polluting compressor station in Franklin Township, NJ. Ecological and public health consequences will be devastating and will continue for 50 years — or more.

WHO IS PROPOSING THE PROJECT? Williams-Transco, a fossil fuel industry giant based in Oklahoma, has a vast methane gas distribution system and is worth over \$30 billion. They have a horrendous safety record and rank third in political contributions from their industry.

WHERE IS THE PIPELINE? The pipeline cuts through the heart of Middlesex County, New Jersey, and rips Raritan Bay/Lower New York Bay in half, terminating in the ocean off the Rockaways. Over a million tons of toxin laden muck will pollute the water and the health of the marine ecosystem.



Williams/NESE Pipeline project in **RED**.

STATUS: In May 2025 Williams-Transco revived their application to the NJ Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), who previously denied the applications due to the significant environmental harm and lack of need. But Williams-Transco is relentless!

The ultimate decision is up to **NJ Governor Murphy**.

TAKE ACTION!

1. **Say NO to NESE.** Pass our resolution of opposition in your town to show your opposition to NESE and pressure Governor Murphy and the NJDEP to reject it.
2. **Submit Comments:** Go to www.nj.gov/dep/nese and tell the NJDEP to (1) extend the public comment period, (2) hold public hearings on the proposed project, and (3) deny this unnecessary and environmentally destructive project once and for all.
3. **Help! Join the Movement Against the NESE Project:** *Your future is at stake!*

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OUR QUALITY OF LIFE, WATERWAYS, AIR, and FUTURE ARE AT RISK

This bay and ocean region is home to :

- Over 200 species of fish, 16 species of marine mammals, and 5 species of sea turtles, including numerous endangered and threatened species;
- Millions of families, citizens, visitors and tourists who enjoy miles of beaches, coastal parks;
- Coastal communities, businesses, and livelihoods that depend on a healthy marine ecosystem;
- Countless clambers, fishermen, surfers, swimmers, boaters, and divers rely on these waterways.

MESSY NESE: Impact to the Environment

NESE Destroys Our Water Quality and Harms Marine Life! The project will:

- Stir-up over 1 MILLION tons of toxin-laden muck, including PCBs, dioxins, lead, methyl-mercury, petrochemicals, and arsenic, polluting the bay and ocean. The muck will take up to 3 YEARS to settle, suffocating fish eggs and larvae and contaminating the food chain;
- Harm important bay ecosystems, including oyster reefs, clam beds, wetlands, and shallow waters;
- Seek to **OCEAN DUMP** the million tons of muck off our coast, further spreading contamination;
- Pump over 690,000 gallons of polluting, chemically-infused drilling fluids into the bay and ocean;
- Release unspecified chemicals and biocides into the marine environment;
- Destroy wetland and bay habitats and scare and harass marine life with loud noises and construction;
- Ruin decades of hard won progress for Raritan Bay, the ocean, and for marine life and our economy.

NESE Increases Air Pollution: The massive fossil fuel powered compressor station will emit tons of harmful air pollutants **ANNUALLY** including Carbon Monoxide, Sulfur Dioxide, NOx, Particulate Matter, Volatile Organic Compounds, Formaldehyde, and Ozone. This region already fails to meet federal air quality standards and has an “F” from the American Lung Association. NESE will add insult to injury.

NESE Is A Climate Change Disaster! NESE will lock the region into using decades of methane gas fracked from the rocks in Pennsylvania, polluting the air, land and water. Over the 50 years, these trillions of cubic feet of methane gas will be shipped to NY to be burned, further contributing to climate change.

Even Beneficiaries say NO! NY does not want the methane. The demand for methane gas is falling throughout the state and New York City region. NY Governor Hochul and NYC Mayor Adams are aggressively cutting greenhouse gas emissions, and they have stated opposition to the project.

BAIT AND SWITCH—Potential for Offshore Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Exports. There have been several attempts in the last decade to create an offshore LNG terminal in the same area that were thwarted. The clear lack of need for the project and falling demand for fossil fuels in NYC suggests another motive for this billion dollar project. It could jump-start a new LNG export operation, which will drastically increase fracking in Pennsylvania and greenhouse gas emissions globally.

A Threat to Public Safety—Transco’s record is frightening. In recent years, Transco’s pipelines and pumping stations have experienced over ten explosions or fires. The company has received safety and risk violations from various federal agencies in NY and NJ. The company has also received numerous fines from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for unsafe discharges of pollutants.

Take Action Now as if Your Future Depends on it— because it does!

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