



No Pipeline in our Aquifer in north Florida and south Georgia

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Valdosta, 23 March 2014 -- All of south Georgia and north Florida drinks out of the Floridan Aquifer, where the FERC Scoping meetings and a SpectraBusters community panel meet this week about Sabal Trail's attempt to take our lands to gouge a 100-foot right of way for a 36-inch methane pipeline through our fragile karst limestone, risking turning our springs into sinkholes.



FERC Scoping Meetings*:

5PM Sabal Trail discussion With pipeline representatives.

6PM FERC presentation about the process and the pipelines

Docket number **PF14-6**: Hillabee Expansion Project Docket number **PF14-1**: Sabal Trail Transmission Docket number **PF14-2**: Florida Southeast Connection

Then citizens can speak at the podium Have what you say transcribed by a court recorder for the Commission's administrative record.

This week's calendar: http://spectrabusters.org/calendar/

*Monday, Live Oak City Hall

March 24, 2014 101 White Avenue Southeast

Suwannee County, FL Live Oak, FL 32064

(386) 362-2276

*Tuesday, Bell High School March 25, 2014 930 South Main Street

Gilchrist County, FL Bell, FL 32619 (352) 463-3232

*Wednesday, Rainbow Springs Country Club March 26, 2014 19330 Southwest 83rd Place Road

Marion County, FL Dunnellon, FL 34432

(352) 489-3348

*Thursday, Citrus Tower

March 27, 2014 141 North Highway 27 Lake County, FL Clermont, FL 34711

(352) 394-4061

Saturday, SpectraBusters Community Meeting

March 29, 2014 Valdosta State University

Lowndes County, GA See other side

Or e-mail to efiling@ferc.gov or file online with FERC: https://ferconline.ferc.gov/FERCOnline.aspx Or call 202-502-8258, or mail written comments to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary; Federal Regulatory Commission; 888 First St. N.E. Room 1A; Washington, D.C. 20426.

Use Docket number PF14-1 for Sabal Trail Transmission, or PF14-2 for Florida Southeast Connection.



Saturday 29 March 2014 3PM to 5PM Lowndes County, GA SpectraBusters Community Panel Student Union Theater Valdosta State University 1500 N. Patterson Street Valdosta, GA 31698 (229) 333-5800



Elected officials and candidates for public office, are invited to a SpectraBusters panel discussion in Lowndes County, Georgia. Topics will include potential pipeline routes, property rights (eminent domain, property

values), water issues (aquifer, sinkholes, springs), whether Florida even needs more power, better power sources (solar, wind, conservation, and efficiency), noise, health, and hazards. SpectraBusters and allies from all states are invited to attend, and are encouraged to hold panels elsewhere.

The pipeline company was invited but declined. We'll hold a chair in case they change their mind.

Why: Spectra Energy, which had compressor station leaks in Maine in January and in Pennsylvania last year, plus multiple fines by Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) for corrosion and leaks, and a record \$15 million EPA fine for PCB contamination, proposes a hundred-foot-wide gash through our lands for their huge 36 inch Sabal Trail gas pipeline from Alabama through Georgia to feed Florida Power and Light (FPL) and Duke Energy for no benefit to local citizens and rate hikes for FPL customers. A one-time payment is not enough for decreased property values, permanent destruction, and hazards of leaks and explosions, when FPL and Spectra and Duke would profit forever. The gas comes from fracking in Pennsylvania and Texas, destroying watersheds, farmlands, and drinking water. Conservation, efficiency, and solar power are cheaper and bring jobs and energy here where we need them.

In Conjunction with:

Environmental Awareness Organization of Auburn University (EAOAU).

https://auburn.collegiatelink.net/organization/eao

Greenlaw protects clean air and water. http://greenlaw.org/

New York Climate Action Group (NYCAG) the Spectra struggle (and Williams Transco Rockaway Lateral Pipeline in the Rockaways of Queens, NY and the LNG port resistance in Long Beach, NY).

No Fracked Gas in Mass. Exchange fossil fuels for renewable energy. http://www.nofrackedgasinmass.org/

Occupy the Pipeline, who fought the NYC extension on the Spectra Pipeline. http://occupythepipeline.blogspot.com

Our Santa Fe River, protecting our most vital and vulnerable natural resource...water. http://www.oursantaferiver.org/wp/

Sane Energy Project: to fight fossil fuel and nuclear infrastructure, and encourage renewable infrastructure. http://www.SaneEnergyProject.org

Shale Property Rights, formerly Spectra Energy Watch. http://www.shalepropertyrights.com/blog/

Sierra Club, America's largest and oldest grassroots environmental group, exploring, enjoying, and protecting the environment since 1892. http://www.sierraclub.org http://spectrabusters.org/?p=1901

Stop the Pipeline: No eminent domain, preserve local character and environment, and pipelines == fracking. http://www.StopThePipeline.org

Students Against Violating the Environment (S.A.V.E.) Valdosta State U. http://ww2.valdosta.edu/vsu/stuorg/save/

Wiregrass Activists for Clean Energy (WACE): clean and sustainable energy sources. http://www.wiregrass-ace.org/

WWALS Watershed Coalition,

Willacoochee, Withlacoochee, Alapaha, and Little River Systems in south Georgia and north Florida. http://www.wwals.net/

SpectraBusters: We ain't afraid a no pipeline!

Landowners and others opposed to the Sabal Trail gas pipeline through Alabama, Georgia, and Florida.

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