

Organizational Structure/Tasks and Objectives

CITIZENS ACTION GROUP (CAG): This citizen advocacy group will be an independent community group working to stop the Penn East pipeline. The group will work with the Delaware Township Committee (through its membership on the Joint Task Force and various subcommittees) to advance a shared mission of stopping the pipeline project and, if necessary, advise on any possible construction routes and sites for the proposed pipeline that would diminish the negative consequence of the project on the human environment. The CAG may represent themselves at public forums and comment independently to the FERC and other appropriate governmental bodies. It may also issue joint statements and submissions with the Township Committee through the Joint Task Force which would require Township Committee approval prior to submitting written comments or commenting publicly on this issue.

- Executive Committee:
 - Members: Executive Chairperson(s); Township Committee Liaison; Sub-committee Chairpersons; Sierra Club Representative, Delaware Riverkeeper Network
 - Objectives/Tasks:
 - Organize and create mission and vision for Citizens Action Group.
 - Develop plan of action for group.
 - Set meeting dates and timeline for action
 - Monitor FERC website and note important deadlines for comment period
 - Hold regular meetings to coordinate activities among sub-committees
 - Attend meetings with Joint Task Force to ensure communication and coordination with Township Committee governing body
- Internal Sub-committees: (Each sub-committee will have a chairperson and secretary)
 - Environmental Impact:
 - Working with resident experts and other non-profits, determine and document the environmental impact of proposed pipeline; focus should include animal habitat, farmland degradation, water quality, storm water management, forest habitat, and air quality.
 - Address issues legal and regulatory protections for preserved farmlands
 - Economic Impact/Safety Concerns:
 - Address economic impact of project
 - Identify and address safety concerns – specifically on issues of Class 1 safety regulations for rural areas and post construction of pipeline concerns
 - Historic Impact
 - Identify historic homesteads and land.
 - Determine if Rosemont Rural Historic District affords it protected status
 - Public Relations & Communication (Needs two chairpersons – (1) PR; (1) Communication
 - Public Relations:
 - Identify appropriate news media and other media outlets to spread the word on this project and larger implications

- Prepare and distribute at regular time intervals distribution of CAG materials, information, and action
- Organize campaign to educate citizens and businesses
- Flyers, signs, etc
- Communication:
 - Website development and management
 - GIS/Mapping assistance to other committees
 - Work with PR to coordinate communications and technology based media, website information
 - Coordinate and identify other websites/citizen groups with a shared vision
 - Develop and coordinate “email blast” lists for informational distribution
- Federal Government Elected Officials Liaisons
 - Communicate with US House of Representative Lance, Senator Menéndez, and Senator Booker the work of CAG and Municipality/Regional Task Force
 - Organize weekly call-ins for citizens to voice concern to representatives
 - Identify and contact important federal agencies to assist in advocacy
 - Identify and contact other federal elected officials (i.e. House members on the Energy Committee) and in the Senate
 - Coordinate with other NGOs and community groups to lobby for a federal coordinated effort for pipeline construction to limit the endless amounts of possible pipelines; lobby for coordination among private companies to share existing easements and/or new construction
- State & County Elected Officials Liaisons
 - Communicate and coordinate advocacy efforts with Assemblyman Ciattarelli & Assemblywoman Donna Simon; and State Senator Kip Bateman. Organize regular call ins for citizens
 - Identify and communicate with key personnel at NJDEP and NJSADC to advocate for our issues and concerns.
 - Attend State public meetings regarding pipeline
 - Communicate and coordinate with the HC Freeholders and Mercy County Freeholders and develop a shared mission and advocacy plan
- Non-profit organizations Liaison
 - Communicate and distribute information about the work of other community groups and non-profit organizations. Work with Communications team to spread the word of what is happening with other groups. Keep website updated with news.
 - Coordinate public education campaigns with non-profit organizations.

Delaware Township Committee: Tasks & Responsibilities

- Delaware Township Sub-committee on Pipeline
 - Appointed members from various Township Boards and Commissions and (2) members from the Citizen Action Group Executive Committee will monitor the filings at FERC and make suggestions and draft submissions to FERC that would be approved by the Township Committee and subsequently submitted by Township Committee
- Regional Task Force
 - Working with other affected municipalities and the Sierra Club and Delaware River keeper Network draft a common mission statement and advocacy plan.
 - Share and communicate Regional plan to Federal/State representatives and media.
 - Attend regular meetings of Task Force

Delaware Township Joint Task Force on Proposed Pipeline

- Members: CAG Executive Committee, Township Committee Members (2), Sierra Club representative, Delaware Riverkeepers representative, any necessary professional/expert consultants
- Members will draft submissions to FERC that reflect the shared vision of the Citizens Group and the Township Committee. The draft submissions will be presented to Township Committee for final approval prior to submission.