

Ruby Pipeline Project

Record of Decision

ATTACHMENT 6

Previous Decisions

Previous Decisions Narrative

The Ruby Pipeline Project is a 42-inch diameter, 678 mile interstate natural gas pipeline that crosses 368 miles of Federal land beginning near Opal, Wyoming, extending through northern Utah and northern Nevada, and terminating near Malin, Oregon. The project, built by Ruby Pipeline, LLC (Ruby), also includes a 3-mile lateral pipeline, 4 compressor stations, 4 meter stations, and other related above ground facilities.

The Ruby Pipeline Project was initiated in March 2008, and in January 2010, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and eight Cooperating Agencies, including the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), released the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the pipeline.

The Ruby Pipeline Project was approved for construction by FERC on April 5, 2010, and the Right-of-Way (ROW) Grant and Plan of Development were approved by a Record of Decision (ROD) issued by the BLM on July 12, 2010. BLM issued multiple Notices to Proceed (NTPs) for each pipeline segment after Ruby demonstrated that all conditions and stipulations had been met.

The ROW Grant and TUP for the Ruby Pipeline Route have been amended four times. The first amendment (December 10, 2010) includes the Summit Lake Route Variance in Humboldt County, Nevada, and accepts the final Winter Construction Plan as Appendix V of Ruby's Plan of Development (POD). The second amendment (dated February 24, 2011) is for the Klamath County Reroute in Oregon. The third amendment (dated December 7, 2011) approves four above ground cathode sites and 15 roads to mainline valves. The fourth decision amends the ROW Grant to include documents reflect the final pipeline as built and the approval and inclusion of the Long Term Monitoring Plan in the POD.

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Record of Decision to Approve ROW Grant and TUP Permit (June 12, 2010)

Attachment A: FERC Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
Attachment B: Legal Descriptions and Alignment Sheets
Attachment C: ROW, Access Roads, and TUP on Federal Lands
Attachment D: Plan of Development
Attachment E: ROW Grant and TUP Permit
Attachment F: USFWS Biological Opinion
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Attachment J: Conservation Agreement for Limited Operating Period Encroachment in Nevada
Attachment K: Land Use Plan Conformance and DNA for Eastern Portion of Southern Langell Valley Route Variation
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Attachment M: Agency Concurrence Letters and Memorandums
Attachment N: Final EIS Comments
Attachment O: USFWS ROD and Special Use Permit

Decision to Amend ROW/TUP, Summit Lake Reroute and Winter Construction Plan (December 10, 2010)

Attachment A: DNA Worksheet
Attachment B: Ruby POD Appendix V: Winter Construction Plan
Attachment C: Concurrence Letters
Attachment D: Categorical Exclusion for Winter Construction Plan
Attachment E: Amended ROW Grant
Attachment F: Amended TUP Grant

Decision to Amend the ROW/TUP, Klamath County Reroute (February 24, 2011)

Attachment A: DNA Worksheet
Attachment B: Concurrence Letter
Attachment C: Amended ROW Grant
Attachment D: Amended TUP

Decision to Amend ROW Grant, Cathodes and Roads Variance (December 7, 2011)

Attachment A: Legal Descriptions
Attachment B: DNA Worksheet
Attachment C: Interdisciplinary Team Checklist
Attachment D: Maps Supporting the DNA
Attachment E: Concurrence Letter
Attachment F: Amended ROW Grant