Spectra's Proposed Compressor Station Weymouth, Massachusetts Atlantic Bridge vs. Access Northeast

Atlantic Bridge

- This project builds a 7,700 hp compressor station in North Weymouth adjacent to the Fore River Bridge on King's Cove.
- First introduced to residents in January 2015
- As of 12/6/2016, FERC has not issued its certificate (was originally proposed to happen November 2016)
- Atlantic Bridge is being held up by the Wetlands Permit, Chapter 91 Waterways License & CZM.
- CZM put a 1 year stay on their decision which should have happened this past August.
- MA DEP (Wetlands Permit) put a stay on their decision until FERC issues its determination.
- Chapter 91 is waiting to decide until the Wetlands Permit is decided.
- This is a relatively small project in terms of natural gas expansion projects.
- We have been fighting this project for almost two years now.
- The mitigation package which was presented to Mayor Hedlund this past spring involved only Atlantic Bridge.
- FERC (5 commissioners in D.C.) can vote on the project anytime to issue a certificate – although we are waiting to see how the CZM ruling affects this.
- Spectra proposed that construction would begin March 2017.
- Project completion anticipated for November 2017 with station in service.

Access Northeast

- This project expands the compressor station by almost 11,000 hp in North Weymouth adjacent to the Fore River Bridge on King's Cove
- First introduced to residents in July 2015
- As of 12/6/2016, this project is in the pre-filing stage. This is still in a very early stage.
- Spectra anticipated that they would submit the application sometime in November - This was not done as of today.
- Access Northeast as a whole is about 8 times the size of Atlantic Bridge in terms of the amount of gas production it will create.
- Permit application was anticipated to be submitted in November 2016. It has not yet happened.
- Spectra was anticipating that electric rate payers would be charged a tariff to fund this project. The SJC ruled this summer this is illegal.
- Spectra is possibly pursuing a possible tariff on natural gas consumers to help fund this project now.
- EIS will be completed sometime in 2017 or 2018
- Spectra is proposing that construction to expand the compressor station will begin in 2018.

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Spectra's Atlantic Bridge Project (FERC Docket # PF15-12 & CP16-9) & Access Northeast (PF16-1).

More information about the local impacts of a compressor station and updates, visit Fore River Residents Against the Compressor Station: www.nocompressor.com