

ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSMISSION COMMITTEE

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Current projects supported by the Pipeline Authority to increase export capacity include:

- Enbridge's Phase VI Expansion that will increase export capacity by 51,600 barrels per day (BOPD) to a total of 161,600 BOPD. The expansion is scheduled to be completed during the first quarter of 2010.
- Butte Pipeline's implementation of drag reducing agent in their pipeline to Guernsey, WY. The project is scheduled to be completed in approximately 3-4 weeks, and should increase export capacity by 10,000-12,000 BOPD.
- North Dakota Port Services rail tank car loading facility near Minot, ND. Scheduled to begin accepting crude shipments on September 24, 2008 at an initial capacity of 30,000 BOPD. Expansion plans could increase capacity to 42,000 BOPD after December 1, 2008.
- Numerous rail tank car loading facilities in North Dakota, including sites at Dore, Stampede, and Ryder.

Current projects being implemented by the Pipeline Authority:

- Publication of a quarterly newsletter designed to keep North Dakota policy makers and involved parties informed on current issues in the pipeline industry.
- Developing a new Pipeline Authority website that will be kept current with news and information relevant to both industry and public site users.
- Developing a pipeline information map service to be available on the Pipeline Authority website.
- Developing a Williston Basin future production and export model to aid in understanding future infrastructure issues.
- Developing a Williston Basin material balance system to aid in understanding current and future infrastructure issues.

Industry and public information events attended by the Pipeline Authority:

- Numerous industry meetings with companies involved in crude oil, natural gas, and refined products.
- Past and upcoming presentations by the Pipeline Authority to both industry and public audiences.

Recent industry developments to be followed by the Pipeline Authority:

- Nustar Pipeline has announced a pipeline expansion in Kansas that will increase refined product supply to eastern North Dakota. The expansion is scheduled to be completed in May 2009.
- Alliance Pipeline has filed with FERC to enable Pecan Pipeline to transport "rich" Bakken gas from the Mountrail County area to markets in Chicago. The project is scheduled to begin shipping 20-40 million cubic feet per day (MMCFD) in 2009 and increase to 80 MMCFD in 2010.