



Aspen Point Program

Westcoast Energy Inc. (Westcoast), an Enbridge Inc. (Enbridge) company, owns and operates a natural gas transmission system in British Columbia (BC) that transports processed natural gas for markets throughout BC, Alberta and the Pacific Northwest. This gas is ultimately used to heat homes, businesses, hospitals and schools. It is also used as a fuel for electric power generation and is a staple in a number of industrial and manufacturing processes that produce hundreds of products that improve our lives.

Project overview

Westcoast is proceeding with an expansion of the northern section (T-North) of the Westcoast system, called Aspen Point Program (Project) to serve growing regional demand for natural gas and west coast LNG exports. T-North extends from the Fort Nelson area of BC to Compressor Station No. 2 (CS-2) near Willow Flats, and from Gordondale, Alberta to CS-2.

The Project received regulatory approval from the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) on December 19, 2024, with construction expected to begin in Q2 2025. The Project includes the installation of pipeline segments, electric-driven compressor units with powerlines, and a new meter station, as well as associated compressor station modifications. It is targeted to be placed into service in late 2026.

Project scope

Pipeline segments

A total of approximately 18 kilometres (km) of new pipeline segments will be installed, which would include:

- Approximately 9 km of new 24-inch diameter pipeline looping of the existing Aitken Creek pipeline.

- Approximately 8 km of new 36-inch diameter pipeline looping of the existing Fort St. John Mainline.
- Approximately 1 km of new 30-inch diameter pipeline which will connect the new W̱çhiigii Compressor Station (CS-1B) into the existing Alberta Mainline.

Electric-driven compressors and infrastructure upgrades

Along with the installation of pipeline segments, the Project includes additional compression and upgrades. Compressor stations are used to move natural gas through a pipeline to maintain its flow and pressure. Over long distances, friction and geographic elevation differences slow the movement of gas and reduce its pressure. A compressor station gives the natural gas pressure a “boost.”

To minimize environmental impacts, Westcoast plans to install new electric-driven compressor units at the existing Mackie Creek Compressor Station (CS-N5) and Sunset Creek Compressor Station (CS-16), as well as at the new CS-1B, located approximately 5 km south of Taylor, BC.

Electric-driven compressors have several benefits, including quieter operation and reduced greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, supporting a cleaner energy future. Electric drives are also known to be quieter in operation compared to natural gas drives due to the use of motors versus turbines and the absence of high-velocity exhaust related equipment that can generate noise.

Quick facts

Who: Westcoast Energy Inc.

What: Installation of three pipeline segments, new electric-driven compressor units with powerlines, and a new meter station, as well as modifications to existing compressor stations

When: Target in-service date is Q4 2026

Why: To meet increasing demand for natural gas

Pipeline contents: Natural gas

Added transportation capacity: 535 MMcf/d

Transmission powerlines

To power the new electric-driven compressors and ensure reliable operations, approximately 40 km of new transmission powerlines will be installed in the following locations:

- Approximately 10 km, located east of Groundbirch (CS-16).
- Approximately 29 km, located northwest of Hudson's Hope (CS-N5).
- Approximately 1 km, located south of Taylor (CS-1B).

These overhead powerlines will largely follow existing linear infrastructure such as roads or pipeline routes to minimize environmental and public disruptions.

Regulatory

Westcoast received the Project approval from the CER on December 2024. Provincial permits will also be required to facilitate construction activities. As the Project progresses, we will keep you updated on the regulatory processes.

Preliminary project timelines

- Field studies: Q4 2022 – Q2 2025
- Engineering: Q4 2022 – Q2 2025
- Regulatory approval: Q4 2024
- Construction activities begin: Q2 2025
- In-service: Q4 2026

Project timelines are subject to change.

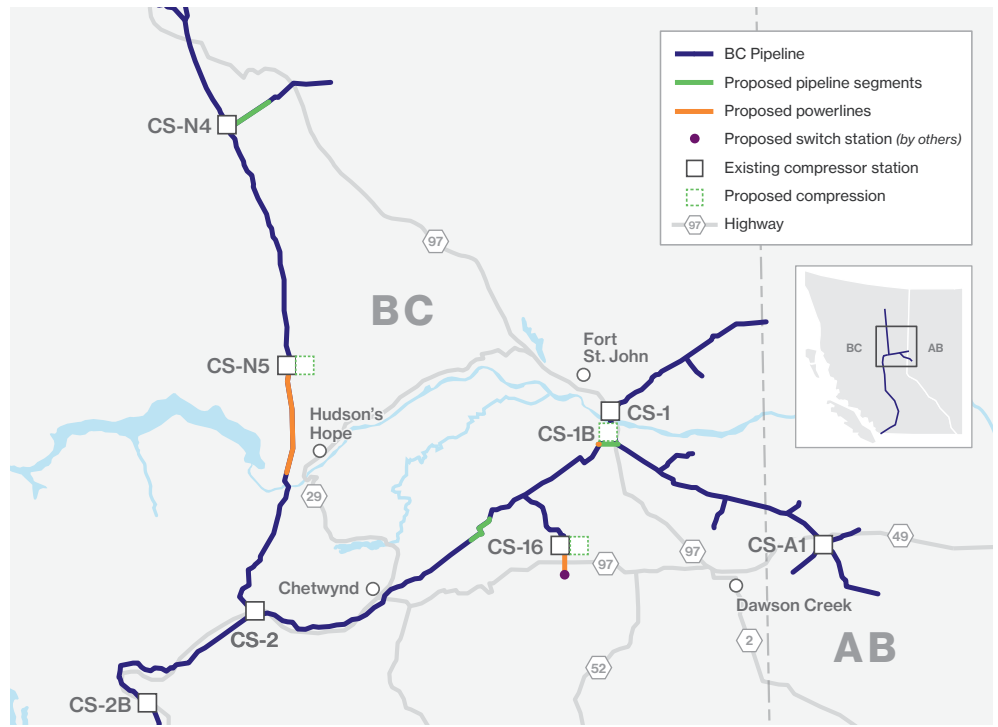
Field work studies

Surveys, environmental studies, archaeological assessments and geotechnical field work are expected to be completed in 2025. The goal of these investigations is to establish routing and construction feasibility, and gain a comprehensive understanding of the Project's potential effects on the environment and local communities.

The environmental field studies include air and water quality assessments, biodiversity surveys, and habitat evaluations, all geared towards ensuring that ecological sensitivities are taken into account and effective mitigation measures are put in place to help mitigate effects on the surrounding environment.

Indigenous and community engagement

Westcoast is committed to working with Indigenous groups, landowners, and other interested parties who may be affected by the Project. By understanding these interests early on, we are in a better position to incorporate them into the Project planning.



Any previously raised interests or concerns will be reviewed with interested Indigenous groups and stakeholders as we move forward. Open dialogue will continue throughout the planning, construction and operations phases.

Construction practices

Enbridge is an industry leader in the construction and operation of pipelines. Every step of what we do is guided by professionals with years of experience in building and operating pipeline systems that meet industry and government standards for safety, design, environmental protection and operational reliability.

Environment, social and governance goals

Enbridge's environmental, social and governance (ESG) goals represent our aim to be an ESG leader, and ensure we're positioned to grow sustainably for decades to come. Specifically on the environment, our goal is to achieve net-zero GHG emissions from our business by 2050^{1,3} and a 35% reduction in the intensity of GHG emissions from our operations by 2030^{1,2}. Our emissions reduction targets include future projects we might develop, and anything we do will be assessed against our emissions reduction commitments.

Contact us

Please feel free to reach out to us should you have any questions or concerns related to the Project.

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Enbridge acknowledges the local Indigenous lands where we live and work including Treaty, traditional territory, unceded, and Métis lands. Enbridge respects the histories, languages, and cultures of all Indigenous peoples, whether they be of First Nation, Métis or Inuit descent, and values their continued enrichment of Canada's vibrant communities. We acknowledge all those who share a connection with this land.

¹ GHG emissions included within our targets are from assets over which we have operational control (Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions). Projected reductions of GHG emissions intensity and absolute emissions is relative to the 2018 baseline year. For more information, see our 2023 Sustainability Report.

² This metric aggregates emissions and throughput for each business unit on the basis of tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per energy delivered in petajoules ("PJ").

³ Absolute emissions.