



## Jordan Cove — Pacific Connector Committed to Providing a New Source of Natural Gas and Jobs for Southwest Oregon

As landowners you probably have questions and concerns about the proposed Jordan Cove - Pacific Connector project. You'll want to know how the proposed pipeline might affect your property. Maybe you're wondering about the need for natural gas in southwest Oregon, or perhaps you're not sure who will benefit from the proposed pipeline. Your questions are important, and we value the opportunity to provide information to help you become better informed about the project.

*The following provides information about the proposed Jordan Cove Energy LNG terminal and the Pacific Connector Gas Pipeline project for affected landowners and other stakeholders. Future mailings will include information on pipeline safety and eminent domain.*



## THE NEED

# FOR NATURAL GAS IN SOUTHWEST OREGON

### DID YOU KNOW . . .

- Oregon now imports approximately 80 percent of its natural gas from Canada. In the past, Oregon could count on Canada to meet its natural gas needs, but this is no longer true. Canada is consuming a greater share of its own natural gas production, and that means less gas will be available for Oregon. Where will Oregon get the gas it needs?
- Southwest Oregon has lost economic growth opportunities because the area lacks sufficient gas infrastructure. Without a pipeline to provide a reliable source of natural gas, how will southwest Oregon attract new companies and industries to provide economic growth to the area?
- Oregon currently has one of the highest rates of unemployment in the U.S. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in March 2010 Oregon had an unemployment rate of 10.6 percent. This is one point above the national average. Oregonians, especially in the southwest region of the state, are experiencing tremendous challenges in supporting their families. Will young people in southwest Oregon be able to find work and raise families in the same communities in which they were raised?

### JORDAN COVE - PACIFIC CONNECTOR WILL PROVIDE A NEW SOURCE OF NATURAL GAS AND JOBS FOR SOUTHWEST OREGON

Construction of the terminal and pipeline will provide residents with a new source of natural gas for Oregon that doesn't depend on Canada.

**With additional pipeline capacity from the project, southwest Oregon will be in a better position to attract new and existing companies, which will provide a boost to economic growth in the area.**

New jobs will be created that will favorably impact communities in southwest Oregon. During the two-year construction of the pipeline, approximately 1,400 workers will be hired. The terminal part of the project will take about 42 months to complete and will require approximately 450 workers. The majority of these workers will be hired locally and regionally. As the project gets closer to hiring, we'll work with local community colleges to sponsor a job fair to explain local employment and contractor opportunities.



### WE WILL CONTINUE TO MEET AND LISTEN

*We will continue to meet with landowners, government and regulatory officials, and other stakeholders about the proposed project. If you have questions about the pipeline route or its proposed location on or near your property, please contact our land agents at our office in Medford at the address and phone number to the right.*

## THE FACTS

**AS LANDOWNERS, PERHAPS YOU'VE HEARD INACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT. WE WANT TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT AND ADDRESS THE FACTS SURROUNDING THE PROJECT.**

**FACT** LNG supply will come from stable sources. The project is targeting stable supply sources such as Australia for LNG shipments. We don't believe it's in the best interests of the project or potential customers to procure supply from unreliable or unstable sources.

**FACT** The project will benefit Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. The project will stimulate economic growth in the region by providing an incentive for industrial and commercial developers to locate in communities along the pipeline route. Because the pipeline is an open access provider, a local utility such as Avista and other industrial and commercial ventures could connect to Pacific Connector, which would benefit communities in Oregon. The remainder of the gas on Pacific Connector would supply Washington, Nevada and northern California. Expanding the region's natural gas supply will help stabilize prices for consumers and attract new industry.

**FACT** Pacific Connector is needed regardless of the fact that the Ruby Pipeline has been approved. The Pacific Connector pipeline will deliver natural gas to southwestern Oregon, but the Ruby Pipeline will terminate at Malin. While it's possible that gas could flow northward on GTN's pipeline system, pipeline expansions would be required to move these additional volumes of gas west through the Columbia River Gorge to serve markets west of the Cascades. As far as we know, there are no plans to extend the Ruby Pipeline to serve markets in western Oregon that will be served by Pacific Connector through the proposed interconnects with Northwest Pipeline and Avista. We believe having both Pacific Connector and the Ruby Pipeline will be beneficial to consumers by providing competition in the region, which will lower and stabilize prices. Over the last

several years, southwest Oregon already has experienced significant price spikes in periods of peak demand.

**FACT** Pacific Connector is needed to supply gas to Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. Recent shale gas discoveries in the Midwest, eastern U.S. and British Columbia have been encouraging in providing the U.S. and Canada with a long-term source of natural gas. But the natural gas found in the Midwest and the eastern U.S. will never flow to the Pacific Northwest or the West Coast because it's too expensive to transport the gas to this region. The supplies found in the Midwest and in the east will serve regional markets. Despite discoveries in Canada, imports to the U.S. are expected to decline by 4 percent each year. Canada is consuming a greater share of its own production, and the Canadian National Energy Board projects that net exports out of Canada may drop to zero by 2030. Simply stated, local supply will serve local markets.

### NEW MEDFORD OFFICE

*In January, we moved the pipeline's project office to Medford, Oregon.*

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