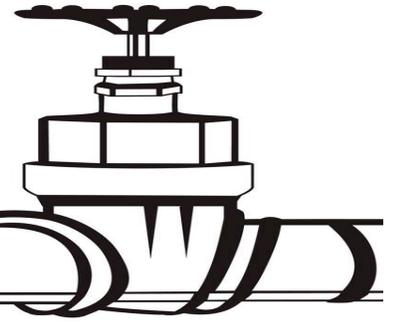


# **The New Jersey Pinelands Commission: must vote “NO” on the South Jersey Gas Pipeline through the Pinelands**



South Jersey Gas, a private for profit entity, is asking the N.J. Pinelands Commission (the State agency that regulates the Pinelands area) for a special exception to the rules that protect the Pinelands, so that it can run 22 miles of pipe from one end of the Pinelands to the other.

The 24-inch diameter, high-pressure pipeline would go through some of the most pristine areas of Pinelands from Maurice River Township to the B.L. England power plant at Beesleys Point in Atlantic County. There will be huge amounts of land disturbance associated with the installation of this pipeline.

The proposed route through the Forest Management Area (environmentally sensitive management area) is a clear violation of Pinelands regulations.

**\*\* Day of Action – October 23rd \*\***

Join PPA staff, trustees and volunteers and tell the Pinelands Commission to vote NO on the pipeline on October 23rd!

**PLEASE ATTEND**

The Pinelands Commission Subcommittee

Meeting on:

**Oct. 23rd at 1:30 p.m.**

at 15 Springfield Rd, Pemberton, NJ

For more information call

PPA at 609-859-8860



**More things  
you can do  
on the other  
side!**

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## **EMAIL, CALL, FAX, and WRITE**

Contact Nancy Wittenberg, Executive Director and Mark Lohbauer, Chairman of the Pinelands Commission. Tell them you oppose the South Jersey Gas Pipeline and that you expect them to protect the Pinelands, not waive the regulations that protect them.

- Phone Number: 609-894-7300
- Fax Number: 609-894-7330
- Email: [info@njpines.state.nj.us](mailto:info@njpines.state.nj.us) - You must include your name and address in the email.
- Mailing Address: Pinelands Commission, PO Box 359, New Lisbon NJ 08064

## **SIGN THE ONLINE PETITION**

Tell Governor Christie and the Pinelands Commissioners to deny this Pipeline project. Share this change.org petition with others [www.tinyurl.com/PinesPetition](http://www.tinyurl.com/PinesPetition). Over 11,000 people have signed it so far.

## **USE OUR ONLINE TAKE ACTION TOOL**

Email the Governor and all state legislators directly and tell them to protect the Pinelands. Go to our website: [www.pinelandsalliance.org](http://www.pinelandsalliance.org) and click on the Take Action Button.

## **WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

Tell your local daily or weekly paper why you feel the Pinelands Commission must deny this project. Email Theresa ([theresa@pinelandsalliance.org](mailto:theresa@pinelandsalliance.org)) if you submit a letter to the editor so we can see it too!

## **SIGN UP ON OUR EMAIL LIST**

Email allows us to inform you quickly (and cheaply) about this issue. We never share your email address with anyone. Email [tomdunn@pinelandsalliance.org](mailto:tomdunn@pinelandsalliance.org) to join today.

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## **Why the Commission must say NO:**

- **The Commission has a statutory mandate** to protect the Pinelands and this type of project is forbidden in Pinelands Forest Management Areas by the Comprehensive Management Plan.
- There are alternatives to the proposed pipeline route that avoid running the pipeline through the Pinelands Forest Management Area.
- **South Jersey Gas had 30 years to plan future projects.** The regulations that protect the Pinelands have existed since 1982 – South Jersey Gas has had plenty of time to plan for the future.
- **It sets a bad precedent.** How will the Pinelands Commission be able to say “no” to future projects like this if it allows this project to go through?

