

**Mountain Valley Pipeline, LLC
Mountain Valley Pipeline Project
Docket No. CP16-10-000**

**Responses to Environmental Information Request
Dated December 24, 2015**

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Request:

Resource Report 2 – Water Use and Quality

Water Resources

17. As previously requested in our comments dated August 11, 2015, identify any waterbodies that may be affected by construction of the proposed compressor stations and meter stations, and use of pipe or contractor yards, and new or existing access roads that may be improved. Provide a discussion of measures that would be implemented to avoid, reduce, or mitigate impacts on waterbodies during construction of aboveground facilities or ancillary use areas.

Response submitted January 15, 2016:

Mountain Valley expects to submit an updated Table 2-A-2 by February 26, 2016. The updated table will include a complete list of impacts to waterbodies from the Project temporary and permanent facilities. Section 2.2.5 provides a discussion of measures that would be implemented to avoid, reduce, or mitigate impacts on waterbodies during construction and operation of the Project.

Supplemental Response submitted February 26, 2016:

A revised Table 2-A-2 is included as Attachment RR2-17. The revised table provides a complete list of waterbody crossings from the Project facilities as included in Mountain Valley's Nationwide Permits to the respective U.S. Army Corps district offices.

Implementation of the FERC Plan and Procedures and Mountain Valley's Project-specific E&SCP, specifically with respect to construction time windows, erosion and sedimentation control, bank stabilization, and bank revegetation, will minimize short- and long-term impacts on the waterbodies due to construction of the Project. Locations of proposed compressor stations, pipe yards, laydown yards, and new access roads will be adjusted to avoid impacts to streams where practicable.

Supplemental Response submitted March 1, 2016:

A revised Table 2-A-2 is included as Attachment RR2-17. The revised table has been updated to include facility type.

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38. Revise the analysis presented in section 2.3.1 to provide discussion of existing wetland resources and how they would be impacted, including:
- a. acreages of wetlands affected by both construction and operation – total acreage of impacted wetlands, by state, and total by wetland type (i.e., PEM, PSS, PFO);
 - b. acreage of PFO and PSS wetlands that would be maintained in both the 10-foot-wide corridor and 30-foot-wide corridor where woody vegetation would be selectively removed; and
 - c. construction and operation acreages of impacted wetlands by facility type (i.e., aboveground facilities, access roads, pipe storage and contractor yards, ATWS, and access roads). Clarify “ancillary sites” as referred to in table 2.3-1.

Supplemental Response submitted January 27, 2016:

Mountain Valley will submit revisions to Table 2.3-1 with its wetland and waterbody encroachment permit applications. Mountain Valley expects to submit these applications by February 26, 2016. See the response to Resource Report 1, Request 37.

Supplemental Response submitted February 26, 2016:

- a. Table 2-B-1 (Attachment RR2-37) has been revised and identifies impacts to wetlands by wetland type. Mountain Valley expects to submit revised Table 2.3-1 by March 1, 2016.
- b. Impacts on PFO and PSS wetlands are identified in Table 2-B-1 (Attachment RR2-37). The operational impacts provided in that table indicate what will be maintained and/or converted to PEM Cowardin Class. These impacts account for the maintenance permitted in the FERC Procedures (Section VI.D.1).
- c. Attachment RR2-37 identifies all temporary and permanent impacts on wetlands from the project as included in Mountain Valley’s Nationwide Permits to the respective U.S. Army Corps district offices. Construction and operational acreages by facility type will be included in revised Table 2.3-1. Mountain Valley expects to submit revised Table 2.3-1 by March 1, 2016.

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- a. Table 2.3-1 (Attachment RR2-37a) has been revised and summarizes impacts to wetlands by wetland type.

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39. Clarify the discrepancy between table 3.2-1 and table 2-B-1. Table 3.2-1 lists construction impacts on wetlands as 1.64 acres and operational impacts on wetlands as 0.56 acre; however, table 2-B-1 lists construction impacts on wetlands as 23.86 acres and operational impacts as 9.29 acres.

Supplemental Response submitted January 27, 2016:

Table 3.2-1 did not include temporary and permanent impacts within the right-of-way easement whereas Tables 2.3-1 and 2-B-1 did include these as impacts. Mountain Valley will submit revisions to Tables 2.3-1 and 2-B-1 with its wetland and waterbody encroachment permit applications. Mountain Valley expects to submit these applications by February 26, 2016. See the response to Resource Report 1, Request 37.

Supplemental Response submitted February 26, 2016:

Revised Table 2-B-1 (Attachment RR2-37) identifies all temporary and permanent impacts on wetlands from the project as included in Mountain Valley's Nationwide Permits to the respective U.S. Army Corps district offices. Mountain Valley expects to submit revised Table 2.3-1 by March 1, 2016.

Supplemental Response submitted March 1, 2016:

Table 2.3-1 (Attachment RR2-37a) has been revised and summarizes impacts to wetlands by wetland type.

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45. Clarify discrepancies in wetland impact totals between table 2.3-1 (Construction – 24.07 acres, Operation – 9.42 acres, Total – 33.49) and appendix table 2-B-1 (Construction – 23.86 acres, Operation – 9.29 acres, Total – 33.15 acres).

Supplemental Response submitted January 27, 2016:

Mountain Valley will submit revisions to Tables 2.3-1 and 2-B-1 with its wetland and waterbody encroachment permit applications. Mountain Valley expects to submit these applications by February 26, 2016. See the response to Resource Report 1, Request 37.

Supplemental Response submitted February 26, 2016:

Revised Table 2-B-1 (Attachment RR2-37) identifies all temporary and permanent impacts on wetlands from the project as included in Mountain Valley’s Nationwide Permits to the respective U.S. Army Corps district offices. Mountain Valley expects to submit revised Table 2.3-1 by March 1, 2016.

Supplemental Response submitted March 1, 2016:

Table 2.3-1 (Attachment RR2-37a) has been revised and summarizes impacts to wetlands by wetland type.

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Resource Report 8 – Land Use, Recreation and Aesthetics

Appendix 8-B – Site Specific Residential Construction and Mitigation Plans

25. Document that the site-specific Residential Construction Plans in appendix 8-B were submitted to the individual landowners, and file the landowners' comments on the plans. In providing copies of letters sent to landowners to the FERC, Mountain Valley should redact individual addresses, but include the tract number.

Response submitted January 15, 2016:

Mountain Valley expects to submit a response by February 26, 2016.

Supplemental Response submitted February 26, 2016:

Mountain Valley expects to submit a response by March 1, 2016.

Supplemental Response submitted March 1, 2016:

Copies of letters sent to individual landowners with site-specific residential construction plans (as shown in Attachments RR8-28a and RR8-28b) are included as Attachment RR8-25. Mountain Valley redacted the landowners' names and addresses, but included the tract numbers. Mountain Valley will file any comments received from landowners on the plans.

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Appendix 8-C – Structures within 50 Feet of the Proposed Pipeline

28. Update table 8-C to include all residential construction plan drawing numbers.

Response submitted January 15, 2016:

Mountain Valley expects to submit a response by February 26, 2016.

Supplemental Response submitted February 26, 2016:

Mountain Valley expects to submit a response by March 1, 2016.

Supplemental Response submitted March 1, 2016:

An updated Table 8-C is provided as Attachment RR8-28a. Updated Table 8-C references site-specific residential construction plans for residences within 25 feet of the construction work space. All site-specific drawings referenced in updated Table 8-C are included as Attachment RR8-28b.

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29. Fill in “TBD” in table 8-C to list future mitigation measures.

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Supplemental Response submitted February 26, 2016:

Mountain Valley expects to submit a response by March 1, 2016.

Supplemental Response submitted March 1, 2016:

An updated Table 8-C is provided as Attachment RR8-28a. See the response to Resource Report 8, Request 28.

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