

Pipeline. A civic group out of Northfield is requesting a hearing or meeting with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to discuss the proposed Kinder-Morgan natural gas pipeline. The Select Board is invited to endorse the request.

The Town of Hadley has been placed under a moratorium for new gas service since April 2015. Berkshire Gas Company has informed us that there is insufficient capacity in the existing gas lines to provide for new services in peak conditions (winter). Berkshire Gas Company informed the Town that a new pipeline needs to be installed to address the capacity issue.

Kinder Morgan (Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, LLC) proposes to construct a natural gas pipeline through western Massachusetts, along the southern tier towns of New Hampshire, and back into Massachusetts to connect with gas facilities in Dracut. The most optimistic construction scenario has the project completed in 2018.

A description of the project can be found here:

[http://www.kindermorgan.com/content/docs/NED\\_TGP\\_Comments.pdf](http://www.kindermorgan.com/content/docs/NED_TGP_Comments.pdf)

This project is controversial, and newspaper headlines show community opposition to the proposed pipeline project.

Here is a story from the Boston Globe;

<https://www.bostonglobe.com/business/2014/12/05/face-opposition-company-reroute-pipeline/wj0k4WbfYr5FFyyHtPmFGJ/story.html>

## David Nixon

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**From:** carolanddavid1@verizon.net  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 25, 2015 10:26 AM  
**To:** David Nixon  
**Subject:** Fwd: Pipeline hearing  
**Attachments:** Pipeline Scoping Letter.pdf

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From: "Jed Proujansky"  
Date: Jun 25, 2015 6:17:10 AM  
Subject: Pipeline hearing  
To: <carolanddavid1@verizon.net>

David,

As you all know, the pipeline is planning on going through Northfield and we are opposing it. We are asking that FERC hold a scoping hearing in Northfield and would love to see other towns make the request to FERC as did Warwick. Can you present this request to your select boards and ask that they endorse our request for a hearing in Northfield, much the same way as did Warwick. I think an almost direct copy of this letter would be great.

This is important for this issue as well as recognition of Western MA in general. While this does not affect Hadley directly I think this is something that in general they can support.

Thanks for your consideration.

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