

# Southside Connector

## A Virginia Natural Gas Distribution Project

### Project Highlights and Benefits

- Increases the reliability and diversity of the region's natural gas supply.
- Will improve Virginia Natural Gas' distribution capabilities to meet customer demand for natural gas.
- Will provide optionality for gas supply purchases to ensure customers receive the lowest priced natural gas available.
- Expands economic development opportunities across the region.

### Project Route

The Southside Connector Distribution Pipeline Project ("SCDP") is a nearly 9-mile pipeline that connects Hampton Roads region's two existing main gas supply lines so when capacity is constrained on one source, Virginia Natural Gas can access additional natural gas from the other to reliably serve customers. The nearly 9-mile SCDP starts at the northern supply line at Salter Street in Norfolk and runs to Bainbridge Boulevard and terminates at the southern supply line at South Military Highway in Chesapeake.

### Project Details

Consists of nearly 9 miles of 24-inch natural gas pipeline buried a minimum of 3 feet underground, primarily in existing utility rights of way. For most trenched areas, the actual depth to top of pipe varies between 4 feet and 10 feet (deeper in some locations) and directional drilling areas vary in depth from 25 to 85 feet beneath ground surface.

There's nothing new, unusual or unsafe about this type of pipeline. In fact, VNG operates nearly 200 miles of the same size and pressure gas pipeline across our system, with 4.5 miles already existing in the City of Norfolk

### Construction Timeline

The pipeline is expected to be operation by the 2018/2019 heating season.



The Southside Connect Distribution Pipeline (SCDP) is a natural gas pipeline that will link Virginia Natural Gas' main northern gas supply feed to its southern supply feed and is necessary to transport more of the gas supply available from our northern region into the South Hampton Roads region. It will improve Virginia Natural Gas' system operations, support continued economic growth, and ensure that all of our customers have access to the most cost-efficient gas commodity prices.

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