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CO₂ Pipelines

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Pipeline Safety Trust History



Guys.
I'm fishing. Will
be beick before dark.
Homework is done.

Think





CO₂ Pipelines - History

- 1986 Lake Nyos, Cameroon tragedy
- 1988 PHMSA final rule
- 2020 Satartia, MS disaster
- 2021 45Q Tax credit expansion
- 2022 Inflation Reduction Act
- 2022 CA CO2 Pipeline Moratorium
- 2023 PHMSA Public Meeting
- 2024 PHMSA NOPR *expected*



← 5,000 miles of **carbon dioxide pipelines**

Operators and regulators have little experience with CO₂ pipelines compared to hazardous liquid

30,000-96,000 miles of carbon dioxide pipelines

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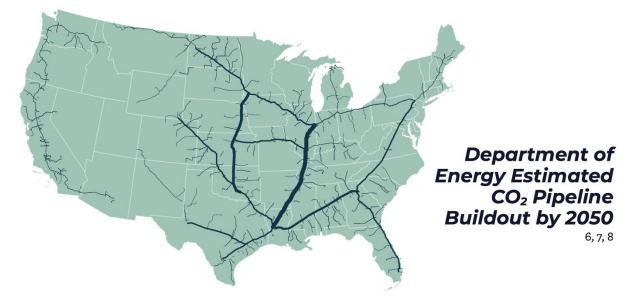
expected by 2050

229,287 miles of hazardous liquid transmission pipelines



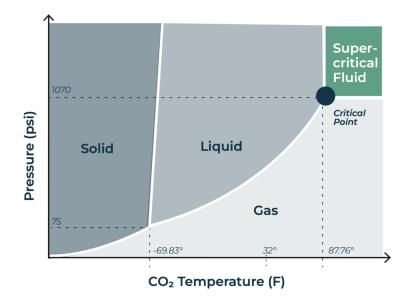
PST and CO₂ Pipelines







CO₂ Pipelines Report – Major findings

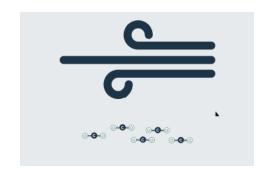


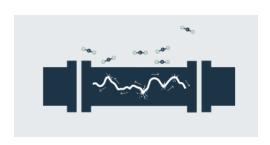
WATER IN CO2 PIPELINES: POTENTIAL FOR CORROSION





Historically, CO₂ pipelines have transported relatively dry and pure CO₂. However, the expansion in different sources of CO₂ has the potential to lead to higher water content and more impurities introduced into pipelines. In addition, carbon dioxide mixed with water can form carbonic acid which is extremely corrosive to the internal surface of the pipe.









CO₂ Pipelines and Environmental Justice

- White House EJAC- CCS and direct air capture do not benefit a community
- Disproportionate burden
- Routing and siting issues





PHMSA's Response

- Satartia Accident Investigation Report
- Fine on Denbury
- In progress- new rulemaking for CO₂ pipelines
- Funding new R&D projects

Challenges Ahead

- No congressional mandate
- Federal rulemaking will take years
- Statutory limitations



Figure 6. Failure Location (Upstream to Downstream)



Call to Action

- R&D projects
- Closing the regulatory gaps through federal and state level regulations
- Local efforts to ensure safety







Thank You!

PST CO2 Pipeline Report and Backgrounder –

https://pstrust.org/carbon-dioxide-pipelines-dangerous-and-under-regulated/

- Article <u>The Gassing of Satartia</u>
- Video <u>8" CO2 Pipeline Test Rupture</u>
- White House EJAC Report <u>Final Recommendations: Justice40, Climate and Economic Justice</u>
 <u>Screening Tool and Executive Order 12898 Revisions</u>
 - Research Paper <u>CO2 Pipeline Material and Safety Considerations</u>

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