

**Stop William/NESE Pipeline Across New Jersey and Raritan Bay/Lower NY Harbor
(Only a few miles from Sandy Hook Bay/Point)**

Talking Points:

- Construction of the Pipeline will release over 1 million tons of contaminated sediment containing deadly toxins into the Bays that will kill fish and oyster and clam beds and will spread previously buried pollution to seals, whales and damage the Bays' ecosystem and enter the food chain. The food that we eat from the Bays.
- Contamination will be carried by currents in the Bays to beaches along the Bayshore and Sandy Hook and will endanger the health and well-being of our children and anyone else boating or swimming in the polluted water. Where Bay waters flood shore communities' streets during super high tides and storms, all Bayshore residents' health and safety will be at risk.
- The deadly toxins will become airborne and readily reach our communities polluting the air we breathe.
- The chemicals in the drilling fluid to be used in the construction of the pipeline will add to the deadly cocktail of pollutants released from the sediment that will contribute to the fast decline of Bayshore recreational businesses and the commercial fishing and shellfish industry in the Bays.
- This in turn will cause the loss of hundreds if not thousands of job related to the hauling, sale and distribution of Bay area fish and shellfish and recreational fishing. And other Bayshore businesses will suffer from the loss of tourists and beach goers who will abandon the Bayshore for clean and safe communities and beaches.
- The proposed Pipeline will infer no benefit on New Jersey. All the natural gas is planned to go to Long Island. Various studies have demonstrated that it is not needed for growth on Long Island where demand for natural gas continues to decline.
- The builder of the proposed Pipeline is Williams Transco. It has a poor safety record managing its pipelines and compressor stations causing explosions and fires. Ten times in the last ten years six people were killed and dozens injured, methane was released into the air, buildings were leveled and groundwater was contaminated.