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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Attn: Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr., Deputy Secretary
By email through e-comment

Re: Request for Extension by Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC, Docket No. CP15-17

Dear Deputy Secretary Davis,

We have become aware that Sabal Trail Transmission LLC (Sabal Trail) has requested an extension of time to construct its Phase II project facilities, including completion of the Dunnellon and Albany compressor stations. We have written extensively in the past about our concerns for the Santa Fe River and, by extension, the health of the Floridan Aquifer, and the wetlands through which the pipeline travels. While all phases were scheduled for completion over 14 months ago, it is unsurprising that a company that has shown itself to be lacking in due care and steeped in deception would be so delayed.

Over the last several years leaks have gone unreported for substantial periods, one of which, at the Hildreth Compressor Station in 2018, directly affects our basin. There have been reports of unprofessional attempts to conceal leaks in the Dunnellon area as well as spills and road destruction near the Hildreth Compressor Station, and there is no telling how many successfully concealed issues have arisen.

Further, Sabal Trail “demonstrated” domestic need to justify eminent domain powers and now has secured connection with export facilities, not only breaching their commitment in securing eminent domain utilization but also further endangering communities adjacent to the pipeline terminus beyond the foreseeable future.

Our Santa Fe River, Inc. firmly believes that is long past time for FERC to discontinue Phase II and terminate the ill-conceived and dangerous Sabal Trail project immediately.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Michael J. Roth, President
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