

MVP Variance Request Form



Variance Request

No.: B-22

Date Approval Requested by Contractor: 2/12/2019

Date Submitted by Chief Inspector to LEI: 2/14/2019

Date Received by FERC:

FERC Approval Reference No.:

Requested By: Brent Ladd

Spread: B

Variance Type: WS

Request Prepared By *: Megan Neylon

Variance Sequence Number: 022

* The FERC compliance monitor should be alerted and given a copy of the draft variance for review prior to submittal.

Location (Use either Station or Milepost)

Station: 2480+00

To: 2480+00

Milepost: 46.84

To: 46.84

Alignment Sheet Number: 52

Tract No.: WV-LE-047

Current Land Use/ Vegetative Cover: Deciduous Forest; Developed

Other Agency Jurisdiction: N/A

Nearby Features (Water body, T&E Habitat, Wetland, Noxious Weed Area, Residence (distance), Cultural Resource Site (distance) etc.):

☐ Noxious Weed Area ☐ Raptor Nest ☐ Residence (Distance)

☒ T/E Species Habitat ☒ Cultural Resource Site ☐ Water Well

☐ Other (Specify):

46LE092 (Unevaluated-Avoided); MYSO (0.37 ac UUSH)

In or w/in 50' of a wetland:

☒ Yes ☐ No

In or w/in 50' of a waterbody:

☐ Yes ☒ No

W-H112

Wetland or Waterbody ID:

N/A

Additional Stream footage impacted: 0.00

Additional Wetland acreage impacted: 0.00

Net acreage affected: + 1.42

Tree Clearing Required: Yes

Acreage of tree clearing:

+ 0.37

Variance Level: ☐ Level 1 ☐ Level 2 ☒ Level 3

Variance From: ☒ Permit ☐ Plan ☐ Procedures ☐ EPPM ☐ Specification ☒ Drawing ☐ Mitigation Measure

☐ Line List

☐ Other: Describe:

Detailed Description of Variance:

Attachments?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Photos?

☐ Yes ☒ No

This variance adds MVP-ATWS-SM-061 for slip remediation. No streams were found during delineations. Wetland W-H112 was previously delineated within the pipeline ROW. The slip can be repaired without tracking equipment into the wetland. Wetland W-H112 will incur no impacts and will be protected using Reinforced Filtration Devices (RFDs), which may include Priority 1 Silt Fence, Triple Stacked Compost Filter Sock, or Super Silt Fence. Per approved Project plans, BMPs have been installed within the LOD to minimize impacts to the environmentally sensitive areas within/abutting the slip. Cultural resource 46LE092 was found during surveys. It was Deemed Unevaluated-Avoided. As stated in the letter of Concurrence found in Attachment 4 " MVP will avoid direct impacts to the site during slip repair as much as possible. Orange safety fence has been placed around the site to protect the area from earth disturbance activities to the greatest extent possible. Archaeologists will revisit the site once the repair is complete and the area is stable and safe in order to document the condition and extent of the remaining site." This variance has a net increase of tree clearing of 0.37 acres of MYSO - Unknown Use Summer Habitat (UUSH). On January 29, 2018 the USFWS concurred with MVP's proposed process for reviewing variances that require tree clearing. Attachment 2 includes a table that shows MVP's acreage "banks" will remain net positive following approval of this variance request

List Attachments:

Attachment 1 - Alignment Sheet; Attachment 2 - Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species Report; Attachment 3 - Stream and Wetland Delineation Report; Attachment 4 - Cultural Resource Reports and Concurrences (CUI//PRIV -- DO NOT RELEASE); Attachment 5 - Landowner Exhibits (CUI//PRIV -- DO NOT RELEASE); Attachment 6 - Variance Request Map

Variance Justification:

Slip Repair

For MVP Use Only

Additional Surveys Required	Surveyed Corridor Description	Additional Surveys Completed
Cultural Survey ☒ Yes ☐ No	The locations for this variance request were evaluated for cultural resources, waterbodies and wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and habitat. See the attached cover page list of reports.	☒ Yes ☐ No
T & E Survey ☒ Yes ☐ No		☒ Yes ☐ No
Waterbodies/Wetlands ☒ Yes ☐ No		☒ Yes ☐ No

Proof of Previous Biological and Cultural Survey Clearance

See attachments 2 and 3 that describe rare, threatened, and endangered species surveys and stream and wetland delineations. USFWS Biological Opinion was issued on 10/31/2017. Additional survey conducted 2/15/2019. The cultural resources survey was reported in: Mountain Valley Pipeline Project, Cultural Resource Survey, Addendum 1 to Volume I, Wetzel, Harrison, Doddridge and Lewis Counties, West Virginia (Espino et al. November 2016); Mountain Valley Pipeline Project, Variance MVP-ATWS-SM-061, Emergency Slip Mitigation Review and Update for Site 46LE092. Authorization to Proceed (Hockersmith February 2019). Filed with FERC 12/22/2016; 3/25/2019. Clearance received from WVDCH 12/7/2016; 2/28/2019. The Concurrence Letter is provided in Attachment 4.

Landowner:

REDACTED

Land Agent Contact

JANNA ARNOLD

Landowner Approval
Obtained☒ Yes ☐ No

Sign Off:

Name

Signature

Date

Construction Manager	<i>Kameron Barnhouse</i>	<i>Kameron Barnhouse</i>	4/11/2019
Lead Environmental Inspector	<i>Chris Parker</i>	<i>Chris Parker</i>	4/11/2019
Third Party Compliance Manager or monitor			
ROW Land Agent *	<i>Janna Arnold</i>	<i>Janna Arnold</i>	4/11/2019
Environmental Supervisor	<i>Megan Neylon</i>	<i>Megan Neylon</i>	4/11/2019

*signature denotes confirmed landowner approval

For FERC Compliance Monitor and Compliance Manager Use Only					
Variance Approved:			Variance Denied:		
Beyond Authority:					
Signature: _____					
Date:					
Stipulations:					
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VARIANCE CONDITIONS					
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**Alignment Sheets
Attachment 1**

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**Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Species Report
Attachment 2**

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State and federal agencies identified areas where plant surveys were required. This variance does not occur in any of those areas.

There are no impacts to aquatic resources associated with this variance. Which infers there are no resources to aquatic species.

The only avian species-specific presence-absence surveys required for the project are scrub-shrub habitat-specific in the state of Virginia, thus do not apply to this variance area.

The modification of the tree clearing results in a net increase of 0.37 acres MYSO - Unknown Use Summer Habitat (UUSH). Tree clearing will not occur between June 1st - July 31st and October 1st - November 14th as per the BO. On January 29, 2018 the USFWS concurred with MVP's proposed process for reviewing variances that require tree clearing. Attachment 2 includes a table that shows MVP's acreage "banks" will remain net positive following approval of this variance request.

On 02/15/2019 Environmental Solutions and Innovations, Inc. (ESI) conducted field surveys to search for portal openings (winter bat habitat). Surveys were conducted in accordance with agency approved protocols for the project. No portal openings were observed in the variance area.

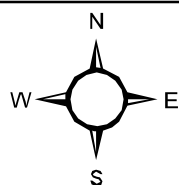


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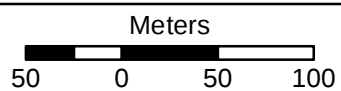
 Parcel Boundary

 MVP LOD

 ESI Portal Coverage



Mountain Valley Pipeline Variance Survey Exhibit; Variance B-22



Base Map: ESRI "World Imagery";
accessed 3/1/2019

Table 1
Bat Habitat Bank Acreage

	MYSO - Known Summer Use Habitat (acres)	MYSO - Known use spring staging/fall swarming habitat (acres)	MYSO - Suitable Unoccupied Summer Habitat (acres)	MYSO - Unknown use spring staging/fall swarming habitat (acres)	MYSO - Unknown Use Summer Habitat (acres)	NLEB known use spring staging/fall swarming habitat (acres)
Remaining bank acreage from IP-5 table	0.37	1.47	13.04	6.81	13.79	0.59
Bradshaw ATWS	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ATWS 1544	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ATWS 1545	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
LY-27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00
LY-45/46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.00
Variance A-4 - MP 24.6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.00
Bradshaw Slip Repair Phase 1	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-5 - MP 28.97	0.00	0.00	-0.51	0.00	0.09	0.00
Variance H-3 - MP 234.85	0.00	0.00	0.91	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance F-3 - MP 159.27	0.00	0.00	-0.42	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance H-2 - MP 240.00	0.00	0.00	0.09	0.00	2.74	0.00
Variance E-4 - LY-058	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Variance E-5 - MP 133.46	0.00	0.00	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance I-2 - MP-268.8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.00
Variance I-4 - MP 300.7	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.18	0.00
Variance G-3 - MP 224.1	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.67	0.00	0.00
Variance B-2 - MP 42.7	0.00	0.00	1.45	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance H-5 - MP 257.9 & 258.2	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance I-5 - MP 261.47	0.00	0.00	-0.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance H-6 - MP 235.58	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.00	0.20	0.00
Variance F-6 - MP 176.8	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.00
Variance D-4 - MP 110.1	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance E-6 - MP 143.9	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.08	0.00
Variance F-5 MP 166.07	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance D-7 - MP 119.0	0.00	0.00	2.64	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance D-6 - MP 115.74 & 115.85	0.00	0.00	1.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance B-3 - MP 60.29	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.27	0.00
Variance C-6 - MP 79.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.21	0.00
Variance C-2 - MP 82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.11	0.00
Bradshaw Phase II	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-11 (MP 23.8)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.30	0.00
Variance I-10 (MP 266.3)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.64	0.00
Variance A-12 (MP 6.8)	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance B-7 (MP 60.07)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.51	0.00
Variance A-15 (MP 12)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.19	0.00
Variance H-7 (MP 238.3) - Transco Credit	0.00	0.00	-11.25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance H-7 (MP 238.3)	0.00	0.00	8.37	0.00	0.27	0.00
Variance I-12 (LY-035 Ext)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
Variance H-9 (MP 237.5)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.24	0.00
Variance D-17 (MP 108.17)	0.00	0.00	4.08	0.00	0.43	0.00
Variance E-10 (MP 149.45)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.21	0.00
Variance C-10 (MP 68.4)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.34	0.00
Variance C-11 (MP 86.3)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.84	0.00

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Variance A-14 (MP 6.5)	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-14 (MP 6.5) - MVP-WE-014 & ATWSs credit	-12.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-14 (MP 6.5) - MVP-LY-024 credit	-0.86	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance B-10 (MP 35.1)	0.00	0.00	0.34	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-23 (MP 0.10)	0.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-24 (MP 2.65)	0.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-25 (MP 2.10)	1.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance C-12 (MP 84.3)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.45	0.00
Variance C-13 (MP 68.9)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.00
Variance A-27 (MP 3.4)	0.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance G-6 (MP 210.0)	0.00	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-26 (MP 4.0)	1.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance C-14 (MP 84.4)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.15	0.00
Variance C-14 (MP 84.4) - MVP-LE-066.01 credit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1.30	0.00
Variance A-29 (MP 1.9)	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-30 (MP 3.9)	1.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance G-7 (MP 199.52)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.00
Variance B-11 (MP 52.6)	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance B-13 (MP 50.3)	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-20 (MP 5.7 - 6.0)	1.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance Transco-1	0.00	0.00	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance G-9 (MP 209.42)	0.00	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-34 (MP 7.9)	0.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-36 (MP 8.6)	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-41 (MP 1.2)	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance B-16 (MP 47.13)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.31	0.00
Variance A-39 (MP 32.40)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.59	0.00
Variance A-42 (MP 3.16)	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-44 (MP 6.62)	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-45 (MP 9.10)	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-29 (MP 0.9)	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-51 (MP 2.1)	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-46 (MP 2.65)	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-50 (MP 4.0)	0.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-49 (MP 4.2)	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-32 (MP 3.65)	1.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-54 (MP 6.5)	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-48 (MP 5.05)	0.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-56 (MP 6.61)	0.001	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-47 (MP 5.52)	0.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-55 (MP 1.2)	0.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance A-21 (MP 5.73)	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Variance C-13 (MP 68.9) - Credit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.33	0.00
Variance B-22 (MP 46.84)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.37	0.00
Net Remaining Acreage for variances to date	-0.581	0.81	3.89	5.07	0.26	0.59

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**Waterbodies and Wetlands Report
Attachment 3**

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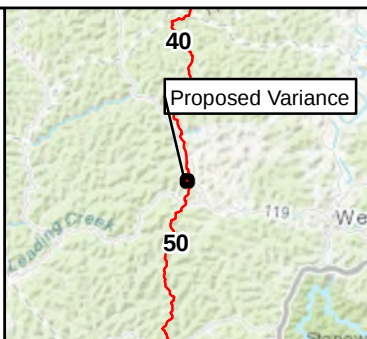
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On February 14, 2019, Tetra Tech, Inc. (Tetra Tech) surveyed the proposed variance in Lewis Co., WV for wetlands and streams. Wetland delineations were conducted utilizing the Routine On-Site Determination Methodology presented in the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Wetland Delineation Manual (Technical Report Y-87-1) and the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Eastern Mountains and Piedmont Region (Version 2.0).

During field surveys, Tetra Tech did not identify any additional streams or wetlands in the variance area as shown on the attached figure.



Mountain Valley Pipeline Project  NAD 1983 UTM 17N 1 inch = 100 feet 0 50 100 200 Feet	
 Proposed Variance B-22 <i>Lewis County, West Virginia</i> February 2019	Legend  Issued for Construction LOD  Proposed Variance Limit of Disturbance  PEM Wetland
	
Data Sources: ESRI Streaming Data 2014.	

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