

*ELLWOOD PIPELINE INC.
LINE 96 MODIFICATION PROJECT
ORDINANCE/FRANCHISE*

*County of Santa Barbara
Board of Supervisors Hearing
February 7, 2012*

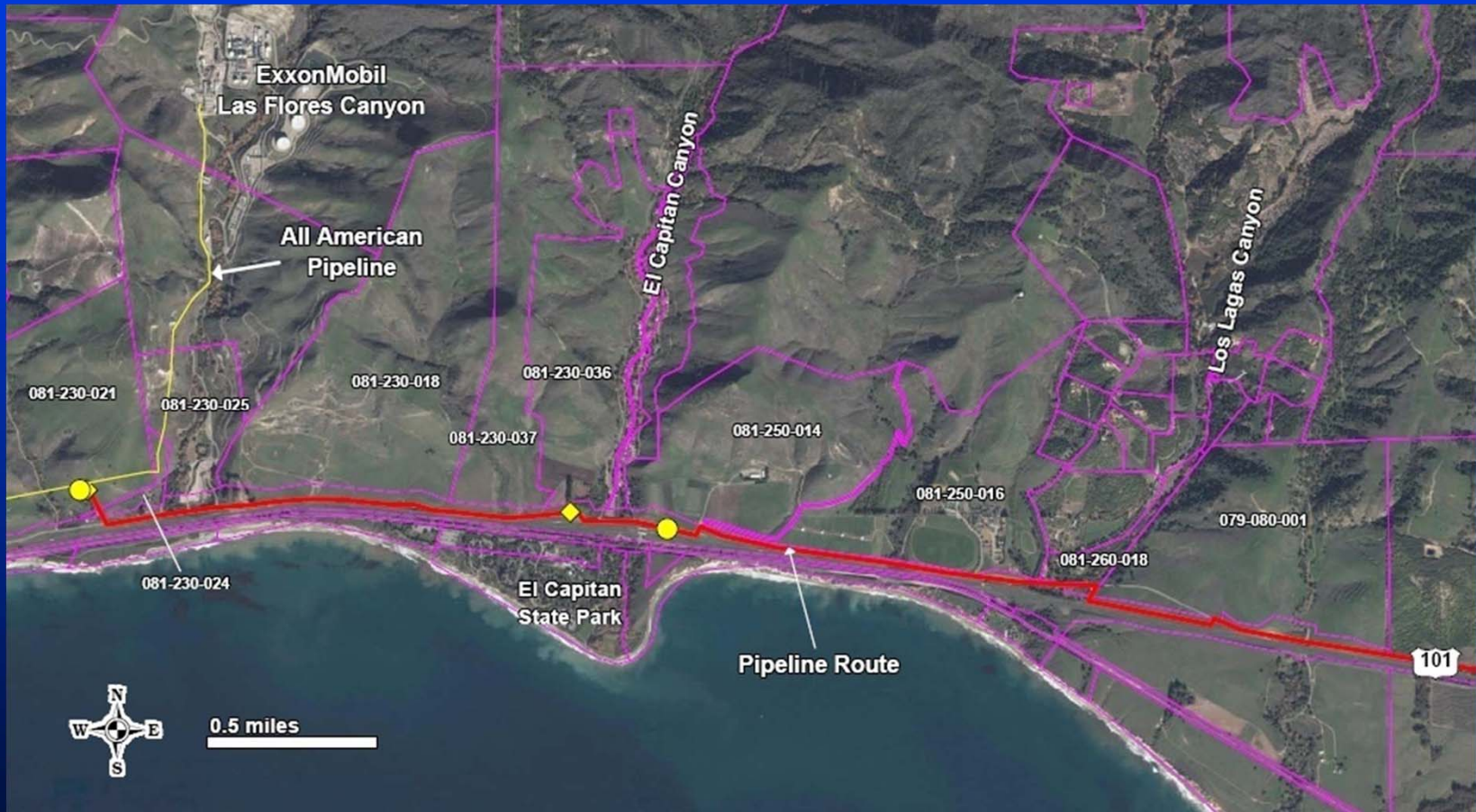
PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This pipeline is a new 6" pipeline for the transport of crude oil. It is approximately 8 ½ miles long beginning at Venoco's Ellwood Onshore Facility and running along Highway 101 to the Plains Pipeline system in Gaviota. This pipeline will eliminate the last barging operation off the coast of Santa Barbara.

Proposed Pipeline Route – Eastern Section



Proposed Pipeline Route – Western Section



Benefits of Pipeline Vs. Barging

- Aesthetics/Visual
- Air Quality
- Biological Resources
- Hazardous Materials
- Land Use/Recreation
- Water Resources



Urgency Ordinance

1. The EIR determined that transport by pipeline rather than barge is superior for biological resources.
2. The Statement of Overriding Consideration finds that transport by pipeline is superior environmentally to operating the Marine Terminal necessary for barging.
3. The Coastal Act recognizes transport by pipeline as superior to barging.
4. Transport by pipeline reduces air emissions.
5. Fog represents a persistent navigational hazard to barging.

Recommendations

- a) Conduct a Public Hearing and first reading of an Urgency Ordinance to grant a Pipeline Franchise to Ellwood Pipeline Inc.
- b) Set a hearing date of February 14, 2012, on the Administrative Agenda to consider the adoption (second reading) of the Urgency Ordinance.
- c) *Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), make findings and approve final action as summarized in the Board Letter and in Attachment A to the Board Letter.*