

I am here to ask for independent oversight for the Atlantic Sunrise Project. Right now there is none which questions the integrity of the research.

Experts are brought in to give the public confidence, yet once these experts gather their data, what Williams does with it is up to them.

The PHMC has stated that Manor and Conestoga Townships are the most archaeologically significant townships in the state, possibly the country. Yet they can do nothing to protect them.

One researcher from AECOM/URS stated that Manor and Conestoga Townships should be included in the Federal Registry of Historic Places- yet his detailed report was basically thrown in the trash. As per your report, there are 86 registered Native American sites on the 35.5 miles of the pipeline route in Lancaster county – all deemed “no further study needed”. Isn't the fact that there are 86 of them significant in itself?

There is a 20 acre property off Main Street in Conestoga that I would like to use as an example of the inaccuracy of studies. It is along a ridge with amazing views and is a registered Native American site. There is a spring head right on the proposed pipeline route and it flows right beneath the ground surface. However it is shown on maps from 1718 to present and can be seen on Google earth. Yet there is no mention of it. If this is opened up during construction, it could have a devastating effect on our water table and neighboring wells.

The perfect example of inaccurate data being presented as true is a non-Native American cemetery on the Native American site which was documented by the cultural resources team hired by Williams to do the studies. After submitting the cemetery documentation to the state SHPO office mitigation was asked for including fencing in the area and monitoring it during construction. The native site it is on is getting no such protection. But guess what? The cemetery is not real. It was put up for a photo shoot with discarded tombstones. Everyone was shocked that it fooled the experts and was to be protected.

This was a huge mistake done in a rush to get the job done, With the springhead, that makes 2 mistakes in an area the size of a football field. And how many other mistakes have been made on this route?

Please, we are begging you for independent oversight to keep these problems from happening!