

# Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA)

**Office of Pipeline Safety** 

**Hydrogen and Carbon Dioxide Pipelines and Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage** (CCUS)

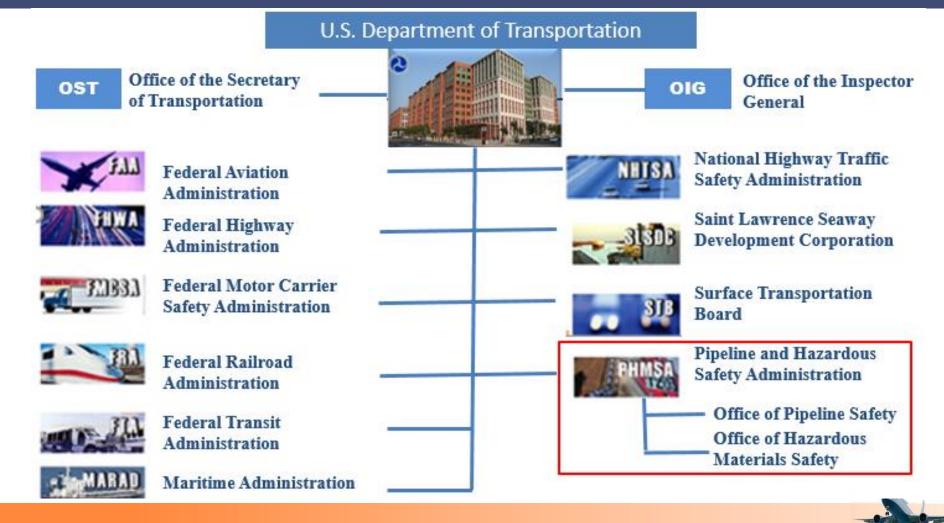
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# Who is PHMSA?





# **Our Mission**

To protect people and the environment by advancing the safe transportation of energy and other hazardous materials that are essential to our daily lives.







### **PHMSA By the Numbers** 3.3 Million 1.2 Million 16,700 1.6 Billion 64% Miles of Regulated Daily Shipments of **Underground Natural** Tons of Hazardous Of U.S. Energy Commodities **Pipelines** Hazardous Materials Gas Storage Materials Shipped Wells Annually by All Transported by Modes Pipeline



# **Program Offices**

### PHMSA performs its mission through two primary safety programs:

### Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS)

Pipelines transport and supply more than two thirds of the fuel used to heat, cool, and operate American homes, cars, and businesses. It maintains oversight over 3.3 million miles of regulated pipelines.



### Office of Hazardous Materials Safety (OHMS)

OHMS oversees the safe and secure shipment of close to one million daily movements of hazardous materials carried by highway, rail, vessel, and air.

These materials are essential to the American economy for use in farming, medical applications, manufacturing, mining, and other industrial processes.





# Where We are Located





**Pipeline Office** 



**HAZMAT Office** 



Pipeline & HAZMAT Office



Headquarters



**Training Center** 

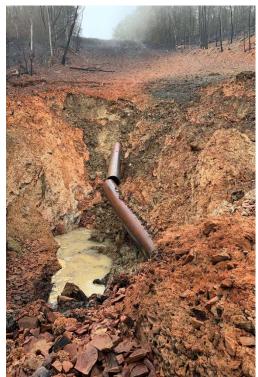


# We Work to Prevent Accidents Like These

















# **Our Focus**

### **Inspection & Enforcement**

Inspect pipeline facilities to determine compliance with our Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations and assess penalties to pipeline operators not in compliance



Investigate accidents and incidents involving pipeline failures or releases and share lessons learned to prevent repeat failures

### **Risk Analysis**

Analyze safety performance, improve data quality and analytical capabilities to identify, assess and manage safety risks









# **Our Tools**

### **Grants**

Award safety grants to support pipeline safety inspection, enforcement and outreach programs by states, territories, and non-profits

### **Research & Development**

Support research to improve pipeline safety

### **Regulations & Standards**

Develop effective regulations and standards to advance pipeline safety

### **Outreach**

Enhance safety and education through stakeholder outreach and engagement



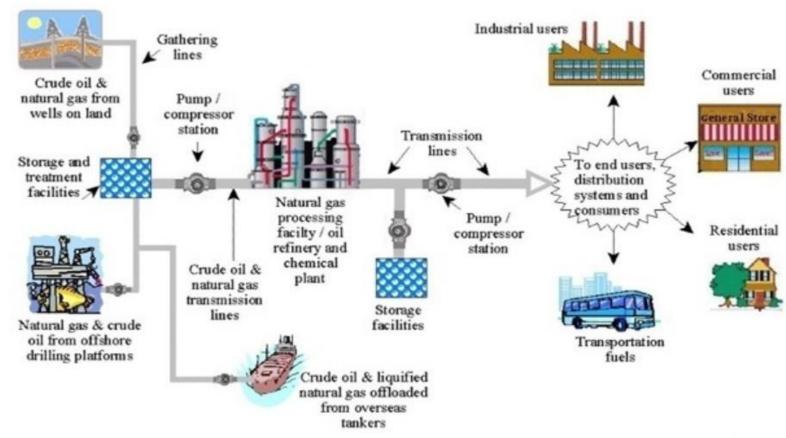


# **Pipelines**





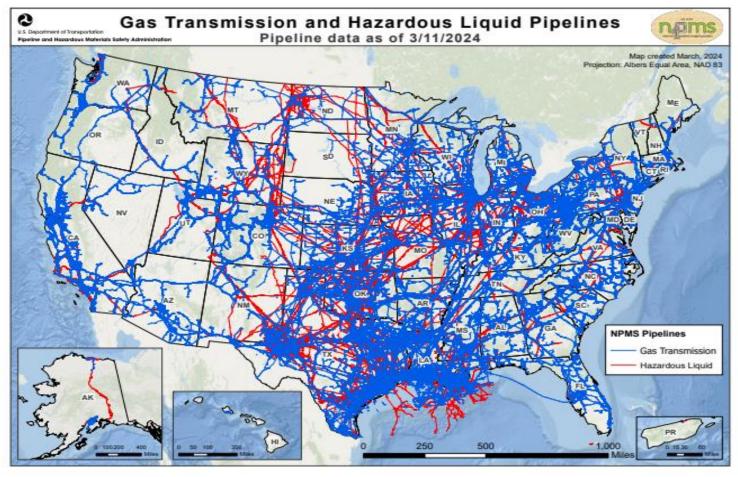
# **Transmission Pipelines**



https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/comm/FactSheets/FSTransmissionPipelines.htm



# Gas Transmission and Hazardous Liquid Pipelines in the United States



https://www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov/

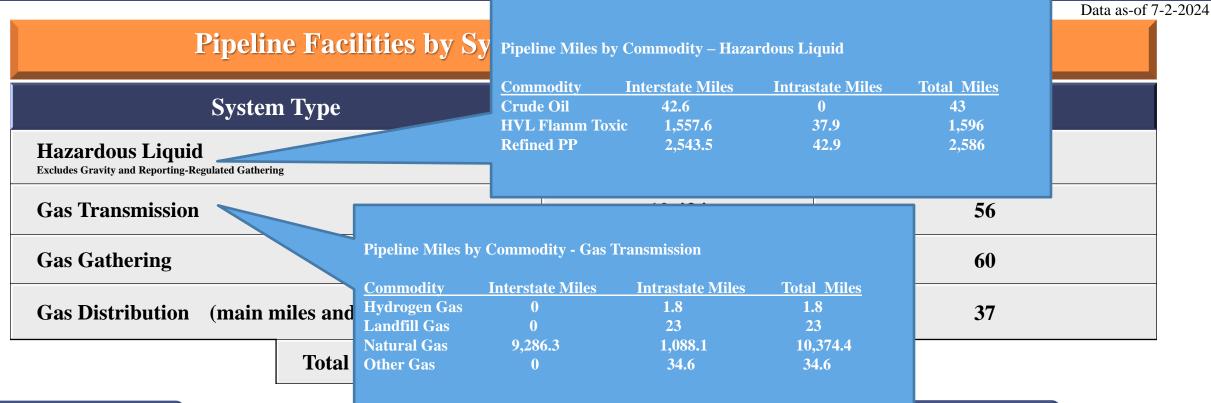


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# PHMSA Regulated Pipeline Facilities in PA



Hazardous Liquid Breakout Tanks

162 Tanks

Liquefied Natural Gas

10 Plants, 15 Tanks, 3 Operators

Underground Natural
Gas Storage

49 Facilities, 49 Reservoirs, 1,665 Wells, 10 Operators

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/data-and-statistics/pipeline/pipeline-mileage-and-facilities



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# Hydrogen Pipelines (H<sub>2</sub>)

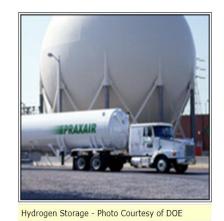




# Background

- PHMSA has regulated the transportation of Hydrogen gas by pipeline since 1970
- Limited regulatory differences between Hydrogen and Natural Gas pipeline transportation





https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/comm/hydrogen.htm







# 49 CFR Part 192

### 49 CFR Part 192 Regulations Unique to Hydrogen Gas Pipelines

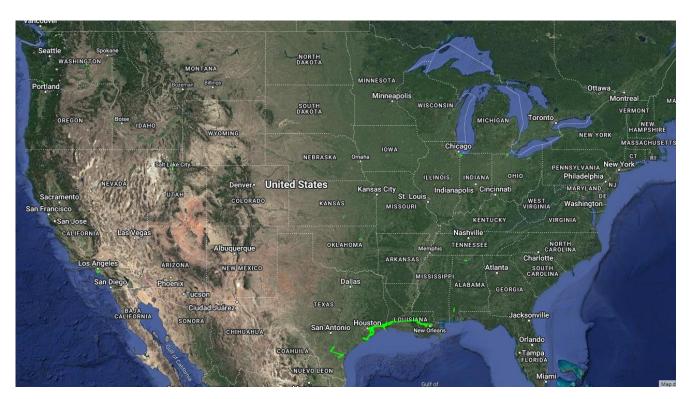
- 49 CFR § 192.625(b), when hydrogen gas is intended to be used as feedstock for a manufacturing process, it does not have the requirement to be odorized in Class 3 and 4 locations
- 49 CFR § 192.53 General: "Materials for pipe and components must be:" (...) "(b) Chemically compatible with any gas that they transport and with any other material in the pipeline with which they are in contact"

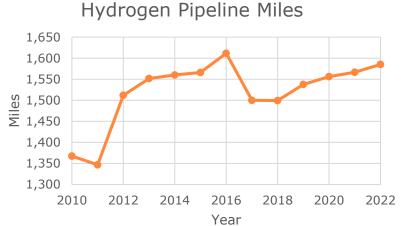




# Hydrogen Gas Transmission Pipelines in the United States

# 1,585 Miles





All Pipelines: PHMSA Regulates 3.3 M Miles Total









# Hydrogen Gas Transmission Incidents

- Since 2010, there have been five reported hydrogen incidents
- The average release of these five incidents was 1914 MCF (one thousand cubic feet) and the maximum was 6937 MCF
- No injuries or fatalities have been reported



https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/data-and-statistics/pipeline/pipeline-incident-20-year-trends





# Ongoing Hydrogen Pipeline Research and Development - 1 of 3

Currently 11 active projects related to hydrogen pipelines with a total of \$10.6 million in PHMSA funding and an additional \$2.5 million in cost sharing.

Project	Goals	
"Knowledge-guided Automation for Integrity Management of Aging Pipelines (KAI-MAP) for Hydrogen Transport"	Develop an AI-enabled automation framework for pipeline integrity management for emerging fuels, such as hydrogen. Additionally, the researcher will develop decision support tools using AI interfacing with goal-oriented optimization and a context-driven platform to recommend potential pipeline risk mitigation measures.	
Category: Threat Prevention	Researcher: Arizona State University	PHMSA: \$844,726
"Development of Compatibility Assessment Model for Existing Pipelines for Handling Hydrogen- Containing Natural Gas"	Use data analytics-based modeling techniques to create a compatibility assessment model which determines the capability of existing pipelines with blended and pure hydrogen gas. Develop a publicly available software tool that operators can use to determine suitability of existing pipelines for pure hydrogen or blended gas and identify needed modifications.	
Category: Threat Prevention	Researcher: University of Oklahoma	PHMSA: \$1,000,000
"Accelerating Transition towards Sustainable, Precise, Reliable Hydrogen Infrastructure (Super-H2): Holistic Risk Assessment, Mitigation	Develop and implement a holistic framework for an AI-powered software tool that will accelerate the transition of existing gas pit transport.	•
Measures, and Decision Support Platforms"  Category: Threat Prevention	Researcher: North Dakota State University	PHMSA: \$1,000,000
"Investigate Damage Mechanisms for Hydrogen and Hydrogen/Natural Gas Blends to Determine Inspection Intervals for In-Line Inspection Tools"	Analyze failure mechanisms related to hydrogen and hydrogen/natural gas blends, develop knowledge regarding critical flaw sizes and availability and accuracy of ILI tools, and recommend changes to practices for determining reinspection intervals.	
Category: Anomaly Detection & Characterization	Researcher: Kiefner and Associates, Inc.	PHMSA: \$1,200,000

https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/matrix/



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# Ongoing Hydrogen Pipeline Research and Development - 2 of 3

Project	Goals	
"Determining Steel Weld Qualification and Performance for Hydrogen Pipelines"	Review current codes and standards for gaps in qualification requirements for welds in pipelines intended for hydrogen transportation and provide the following: weld qualification requirements for new steel pipeline assets; performance evaluations for varying modern steel grades; and assessment parameters for evaluating the integrity of existing and vintage (pre-Code) assets.	
Category: Materials	Researcher: National Institute of Standards and Technology PHMSA: \$2,060,000	
"Investigating the Integrity Impacts of Hydrogen Gas on Composite/Multi-Layered Pipe"	Investigate the impact to the integrity of composite pipe when used to transport pressurized hydrogen gas. Identify and address safety hazards to the pipeline facilities, people, and the surrounding environment. Identify required design, material and construction specifications, maintenance procedures, and a roadmap for using alternative-steel and non-steel composite systems for composite pipelines.	
Category: Materials	Researcher: Edison Welding Institute, Inc. PHMSA: \$450,078	
"Advancing Hydrogen Leak Detection and Quantification Technologies Compatible with Hydrogen Blends"	Investigate the impact of hydrogen on leakage dynamics and existing leak detection equipment. This will inform new approaches for hydrogen sensing and integration into next-generation leak detection equipment.	
Catagorius I and Datastian	Researcher: Gas Technology Institute PHMSA: \$749,446	
"Determining the Required Modifications to Safely Repurpose Existing Pipelines to Transport Pure Hydrogen and Hydrogen-Blends"	Determine practical methods for repurposing existing pipeline networks for the safe transport of hydrogen or hydrogen blends; and identify which existing gas transmission pipeline components may need modifications to safely introduce hydrogen gas or natural gas/hydrogen blends.	
Category: Climate Change	Researcher: Engineering Mechanics Corporation of Columbus PHMSA: \$800,000	





# Ongoing Hydrogen Pipeline Research and Development - 3 of 3

Project	Goals	
"Review of Integrity Threat Characterization Resulting from Hydrogen Gas Pipeline Service"	Identify differences between existing integrity threats and possible new threats resulting from the presence of hydrogen. Define a list of possible changes to the ASME threat assessment process to address hydrogen, or hydrogen blended service-based threats in new or existing pipelines.	
Category: Climate Change	Researcher: Engineering Mechanics Corporation of Columbus PHMSA: \$240,000	
"Expanding Hydrogen Storage to Porous Rock Formations: A Framework for Estimating Feasibility & Operational Considerations"	Develop a framework to expand underground hydrogen storage beyond salt caverns to other formation types. Provide a set of operational considerations for selecting suitable porous rock formations. Establish guidelines for monitoring potential hydrogen movement or loss from geochemical reactions or multiphase hydrogen flow with formation fluids.	
Category: Underground Natural Gas Storage	Researcher: Gas Technology Institute PHMSA: \$298,000	
"Establishing the Technical Basis for Enabling Safe and Reliable Underground Hydrogen Storage Operations"	Identify and understand existing PHMSA regulatory functions and needs as they relate to characterizing, permitting, and assessing underground natural gas storage (UGS) operations within the subsurface in order to define appropriate metrics relevant to UHS.	
Category: Underground Natural Gas Storage	Researcher: Fossil Energy and Carbon Management PHMSA: \$2,000,000	





# **Hydrogen – Information Collection**

### **Proposed Information Collection**

- Published in the Federal Register on March 25, 2024
- Proposal to revise PHMSA forms to collect data on the blending of hydrogen gas with natural gas within gas pipelines, among other changes related to the Valve Rule
- Comment period extended until June 24, 2024
- Link to docket PHMSA-2022-0085 <a href="https://www.regulations.gov/docket/PHMSA-2022-0085/">https://www.regulations.gov/docket/PHMSA-2022-0085</a> <a href="https://www.regulations.gov/docket/PHMSA-2022-0085/">https://www.regulations.gov/docket/PHMSA-2022-0085/</a>





# Carbon Dioxide Pipelines (CO<sub>2</sub>)





# Background

- August 1986 a catastrophic release of CO<sub>2</sub> in Lake Nyos, Cameroon, Africa killed 1,700 people
- Lake Nyos did not involve a pipeline but showed the potential consequence
- Pipeline Safety Reauthorization of 1988, Section 211, required DOT to develop regulations for the transportation of CO<sub>2</sub> by pipeline
- DOT added CO<sub>2</sub> into Part 195 effective July 1992
- Pipeline Safety Act of 2011, Section 15 mandated DOT "prescribe minimum safety standards for the transportation of carbon dioxide by pipelines in a gaseous state."
  - O PHMSA found that there were few gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines and that no foreseeable needs justified addition to Part 192 at that time



# **Dual Track Oversight**

CO<sub>2</sub> Phase

Supercritical

Gaseous

Safety Authority

Regulatory Authority

Working on it!







# 49 CFR Part 195

• PHMSA regulates the transport of supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> under 49 CFR Part 195

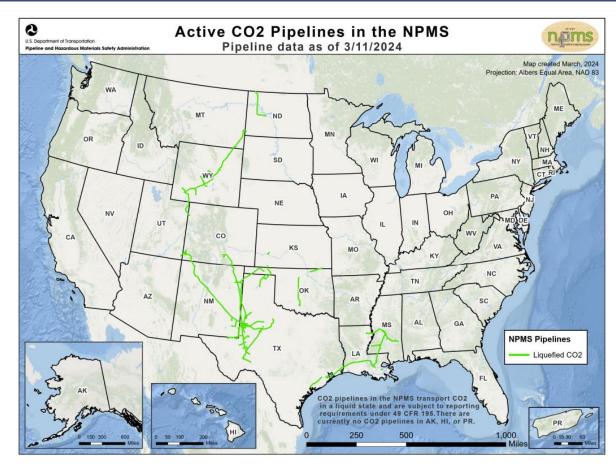
### 49 CFR Part 195 Regulations Unique to CO<sub>2</sub> Pipelines

- 49 CFR § 195.1(b)(10) Location applicability exceptions
- 49 CFR § 195.102 Design for low temperatures
- 49 CFR § 195.111 Design to mitigate fracture propagation
- 49 CFR § 195.302(b)(2) Pressure testing exceptions
- 49 CFR § 195.306(c) Conditions for use of inert gas or CO<sub>2</sub> as test medium

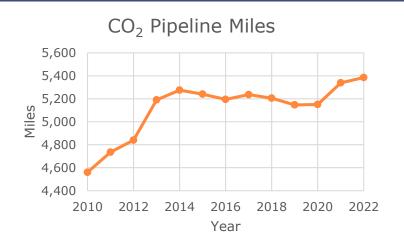




# CO<sub>2</sub> Pipelines in the United States



https://www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov/Documents/NPMS CO2 Pipelines Map.pdf



**5,385 Miles** 

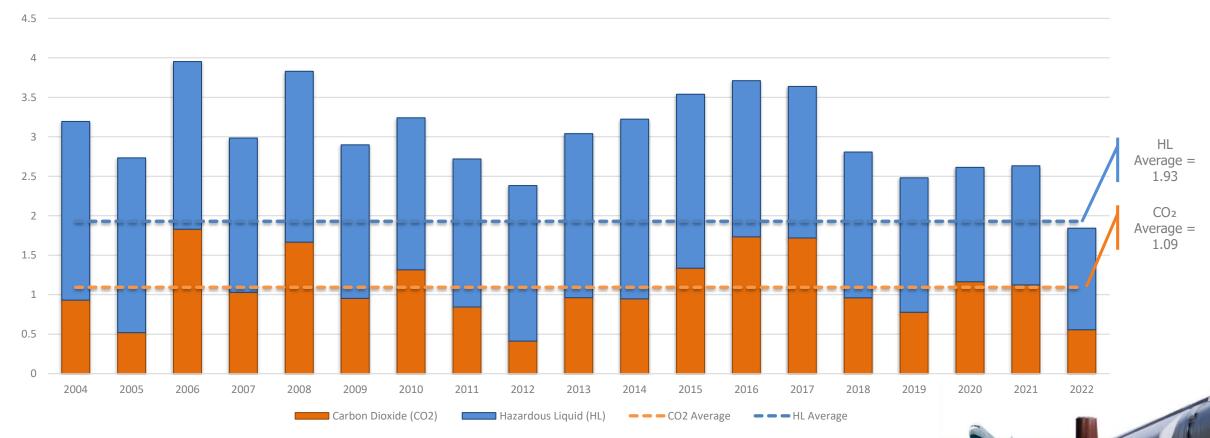
All Pipelines: PHMSA Regulates 3.3 M Miles Total



# CO<sub>2</sub> Transport – a Mature Operation

### PHMSA's pipeline incident 20-year trends

Incident Rate Per 1,000 Miles - 2004 to 2022





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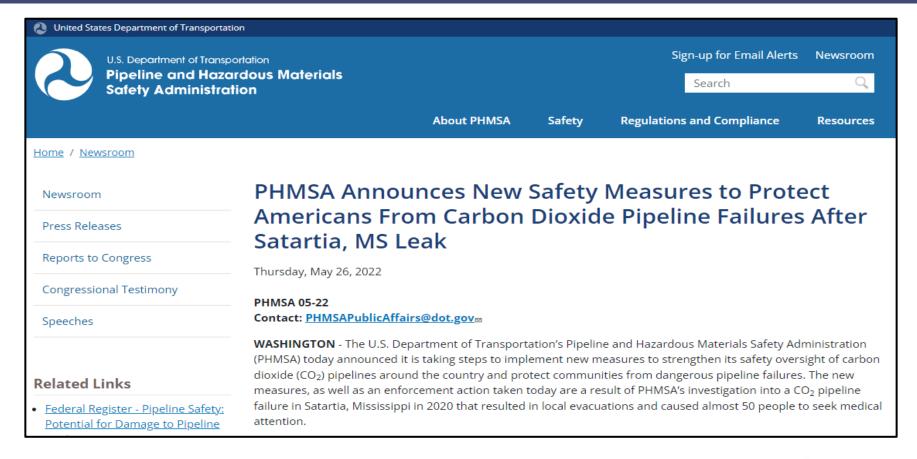
### PHMSA Failure Investigation Report - Denbury Gulf Coast Pipelines, LLC



Figure 2: Vehicle is Parked on HWY 433 - The White is Ice Generated by the Release of CO<sub>2</sub> - The Blue Arrow Points North (Aerial Drone Photograph Courtesy of the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency)

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/news/phmsa-failure-investigation-report-denbury-gulf-coast-pipelines-llc

## 2022 PHMSA Announcement



https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/news/phmsa-announces-new-safety-measures-protect-americans-carbon-dioxide-pipeline-failures



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# Carbon Dioxide – Rulemaking

### RIN 2137-AF60

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) Stage

### NPRM

- Enhance the safe transportation of carbon dioxide by pipeline
- o Include requirement related to emergency preparedness and response for carbon dioxide

### PIPES Act Web Chart available at:

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/legislative-mandates/pipes-act-web-chart



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# CO<sub>2</sub> Safety Public Meeting 2023 – 1 of 2

### **Event Purpose**:

- Help inform rulemaking
- Better inform stakeholders
- Share Data/Technology/Ongoing Efforts
- Address comments/concerns



Panel Discussion at the CO2 Safety Public Meeting

### **Event Summary:**

- May 31<sup>st</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023
- Over 1000 in-person & virtual attendees
- Meeting and Comments Docket Information:
   <a href="https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/meetings/MtgHome.mtg?mtg=165">https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/meetings/MtgHome.mtg?mtg=165</a>





# CO<sub>2</sub> Safety Public Meeting 2023 – 2 of 2

### Major Topics Discussed

- Safety expectations for pipeline operators
- General state of CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline infrastructure current mileage and forecasts
- Federal and state jurisdictions and authorities
- Public awareness, engagement, and emergency notification
- Emergency equipment, training, and response
- Dispersion modeling
- Safety measures to address other constituents besides CO<sub>2</sub> in CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines
- Leak detection and reporting
- Geohazards
- Conversion to service





# CO<sub>2</sub> Pipeline Research and Development - 1 of 2

**Researcher:** BMT Commercial USA

**Project Cost:** \$1,500,000 (\$1,200,000 PHMSA + \$300,000

cost sharing)

### **Public Page:**

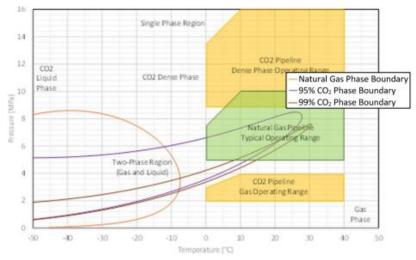
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### **Project Objective:**

- Identify unique aspects of CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline design, integrity, and operational considerations currently not well supported by existing knowledge.
- Define processes and procedures to fill these safety gaps.
- Identify performance-based safety targets for CO<sub>2</sub> pipelines.

Project End Date: 9/29/2024

**Potential Impact on Safety:** Will advance the safe transportation of impure CO<sub>2</sub> at both low pressure (gas phase) and high pressure (supercritical and dense phase), by defining the state of knowledge and how it can be applied in CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline design, operation, and maintenance.



Pictures courtesy BMT Commercial USA





# CO<sub>2</sub> Pipeline Research and Development - 2 of 2

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Researcher: Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station

**Project Cost:** \$359,560 (\$279,754 PHMSA + \$79,806 cost sharing)

Public Page: <a href="https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/matrix/PrjHome.rdm?prj=987">https://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/matrix/PrjHome.rdm?prj=987</a>

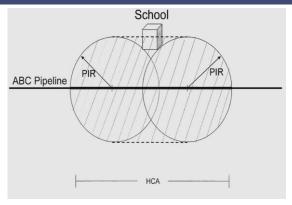
### **Project Objective:**

- Establish a computational fluid dynamics model to simulate the release and dispersion of supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> from full pipeline ruptures.
- Use the simulation results to construct a database comprising CO<sub>2</sub> dispersion data under different scenarios.
- Use the resulting scenario data in a machine learning analysis for predicting dispersion ranges and health consequences.
- Develop a rapid, universally applicable tool to assess the consequences of accidental CO<sub>2</sub> dispersion from high-pressure pipelines.

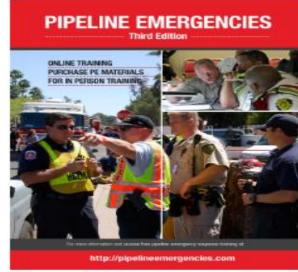
**Project End Date:** 9/29/2024

**Potential Impact on Safety:** This tool will allow the user to determine a PIR for CO2 pipelines quickly and easily and can be applied to assess risk during the planning stage and aid emergency responders in formulating response plans and in the event of an emergency.





Picture courtesy Texas A&M





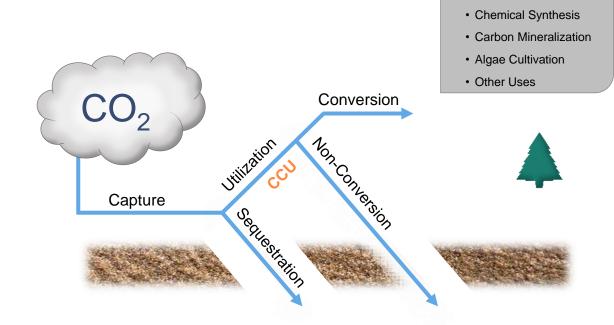
# Carbon Capture Utilization and Storage (CCUS)





# **CCUS**

CCUS is an umbrella term for processes that remove  $CO_2$  where it is generated and stores or transports it for use in various industrial applications; both outcomes remove  $CO_2$  from green house gas emissions







· Carbon Neutral Fuels

# Where do Pipelines Fit With CCUS?



- Pipelines connect carbon capture locations to carbon storage and carbon utilization locations
- Primarily involves transportation of supercritical CO<sub>2</sub>
   through PHMSA regulated pipelines
- Inflation Reduction Act and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law included new incentives for CCUS, prompting new and expanded CO<sub>2</sub> pipeline projects



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# **PHMSA** Authorities

### Yes

• Regulatory and safety authority for CO<sub>2</sub> onshore and offshore pipeline transportation and intermittent storage associated with transportation

### No

- Piping or equipment used in production, extraction, recovery, lifting, stabilization, separation, refining, or manufacturing of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Siting; PHMSA cannot prescribe location or routing of a pipeline and cannot prohibit construction of non-pipeline buildings in proximity to a pipeline
- PHMSA's authority does not explicitly reference either carbon capture equipment or permanent sequestration of CO<sub>2</sub>



# Q&A







### **Additional Resources**

PHMSA Homepage

www.phmsa.dot.gov

Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations (49 CFR 190 - 199) www.ecfr.gov

**Pipeline Terminology and Basics** 

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/safety-awareness/pipeline/safety-awareness-overview

**Community Toolkit** 

http://primis.phmsa.dot.gov/comm/

**Legislative Mandates** 

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/legislative-mandates/mandatesoverview

- PIPES Act Monthly Rulemaking Status Update <a href="https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/legislative-mandates/pipes-act-web-chart">https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/legislative-mandates/pipes-act-web-chart</a>

**Grants** 

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/about-phmsa/working-phmsa/grants

PHMSA FY 2023 Pipeline Safety Grants Report

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/about-phmsa/working-phmsa/grants/pipeline-safety-grants-fy2023

**National Pipeline Mapping System** 

www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov

**PHMSA Technical Resources** 

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/technical-resources

**PHMSA FAQs** 

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/about-phmsa/phmsa-faqs





## Social Media



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https://www.youtube.com/user/PHMSADOT



https://www.linkedin.com/company/pipelineand-hazardous-materials-safety-administration



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