

**Meeting Summary**  
**Southeast Reliability Project**  
**July 31, 2014 @ 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon**  
**GWJNF Forest Supervisors Office, Roanoke, VA**

**Attendees for Dominion:**

- Bill Scarpinato, Dominion Environmental Manager
- Doug Lake, Natural Resource Group
- Randy Rogers, GAI Consultants
- Brittany Moody, Dominion
- Greg Park, Dominion

**GWJ National Forest Attendees:**

- Alex Faught, GWJ Lands Program Manager
- JoBeth Brown, GWJ Public Affairs Officer
- Karen Overcash, GWJ NEPA Coordinator

**R8 Attendees (via phone):**

- Jim Twaroski, Southern Region Realty Specialist
- Madeline Santiago, Southern Region Realty Specialist

**Monongahela NF Attendees (via phone):**

- Kent Karriker, MNF Ecosystems Group Leader
- Carol Whetsell, MNF Lands Program Manager
- Will Wilson, MNF Minerals Program Manager

**NPS Blue Ridge Parkway Attendees:**

- Bambi Teague
- Herbert Young
- Dave Anderson

**Summary of Meeting:**

- Dominion is pretty far along in identifying a corridor to survey on the GWNF – much more so than on the Monongahela. Dominion plans to submit an application for the Temporary Special Use Permit (SUP) to conduct surveys on the GWNF soon. Ken Karriker cautioned them about investing effort on the Virginia side when a survey corridor through the Monongahela has not been settled. Dominion responded that they thought they could address the concerns the Monongahela NF raised and still enter Virginia at the currently planned location. Dominion indicated a desire to get moving on the GWNF surveys while other parts of the survey corridor are still being ironed out.
- Jim Twaroski (R8 Lands Program Mgr.) reminded us that CFR Title 36: Parks, Forests, and Public Property, Subpart B- Special Uses; 251.54 Proposal and application requirements and procedures (4) Confidentiality states “If requested by the proponent, the authorized officer, or other Forest Service official, to the extent reasonable and authorized by law, shall hold confidential any project and program information revealed during pre-application contacts.”

- The Temporary SUP for the survey work is subject to cost recovery, as is the subsequent process to grant ROW for the pipeline construction, operation, and maintenance.
- NPS – Blue Ridge Parkway has met with Dominion regarding the survey route proposed on the BR Parkway. NPS – Appalachian Trail was not on the call they have not provided input to Dominion yet.
- There was discussion about the GWNF, Monongahela, Blue Ridge Parkway, and AT coordinating the scoping and permitting for the surveys on a similar time frame. However, no resolution was reached on how to achieve this coordination in light of the differing progress that those four units have made toward identifying a survey corridor. The GWNF is discussing a 2-week public scoping period on the Temporary SUP.
- Jim Twaroski noted that the Forest Service is allowed by statute to take up to 60 days to decide whether we are going to accept the application for processing.
- The GWNF is hesitant to process a SUP proposal until the NPS Appalachian Trail office is engaged.
- There was much discussion on the timeline of processing the SUP for the surveys on the GWNF. The GWNF people offered this approximate timeline, although this timeline would be a best case scenario and dependent on other workloads and priorities:
  - Deciding whether to accept the application – 1-2 weeks
  - Cost recovery agreement
  - Public scoping – 2 weeks
  - Review comments – 2 weeks
  - Write Decision Memo and permit – 2 weeks
- Kent Karriker said that the Monongahela could not speculate on a timeline for issuing a SUP for the surveys without assessing specialist workloads and the priority ranking of this project relative to ongoing work.
- There was a discussion regarding how the various Forest Service authorizations would be coordinated. Jim Twaroski said:
  - Each Forest Supervisor has the authority to issue a SUP for the surveys. Therefore, each Forest will issue its own permit, although coordination between the Forests is highly desirable.
  - Because of the size of the pipeline, the decision on granting the ROW for pipeline construction, operation, and maintenance is a Regional Forester Decision.
  - The WO will assign a lead Region to make the ROW decision.

*Summary compiled by JoBeth Brown with input by all agency attendees.*