

## City of Carson

## September 3, 2020

## NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW - ENDING October 19, 2020

Air Products Hydrogen Pipeline Project

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, the City of Carson, as lead agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified below and is accepting Public Comment until 6:00 p.m. on Monday, October 19, 2020.

PROJECT TITLE: Air Products Hydrogen Pipeline Project (SCH# 2020059038).

**PROJECT APPLICANT**: Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.

4000 MacArthur Boulevard, Suite 420, East Tower 30vemor's Office of Planning & Research

Newport Beach, CA 92660 SEP 0.2 2072

PROJECT LOCATION: 23300 Alameda Street

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

Carson, California 90810

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed Project would construct 0.5 miles of new pipeline within the City of Carson and connect this newly constructed segment with 11.5 miles of existing pipeline, which would be repurposed for hydrogen distribution from its existing hydrogen production facilities located in Wilmington and Carson to the Paramount Refinery. Air Products proposes to utilize this pipeline route to connect Air Products with a new customer in the City of Paramount to support the renewable bio-fuel production. Two new pipe connections would be required to connect segments of existing pipelines together along the 11.5-mile length. Air Products would also remove or replace existing manual valves and add an automatic shutoff valve (ASV) at one location along the pipeline route. The Project will eliminate the need for five to seven daily tanker trucks that currently deliver hydrogen to the Paramount Refinery to produce approximately 3,500 barrels of diesel and jet fuel per day from beef tallow and vegetable oils.

The Project route will initiate in the City of Carson and terminate in the City of Paramount. The Project route will traverse small portions of the City of Los Angeles and County of Los Angeles, as well as portions of the cities of Long Beach, Lakewood, and Bellflower. The site of the proposed Project is located within an area of industrial, commercial, and residential land uses. Most construction activities within the City of Carson would take place on private land either within or near the Air Products Carson Hydrogen Facility.

The Draft EIR discusses whether the Project will create significant impacts to areas including Air Quality, Greenhouse Gases, Hazardous Materials/Risk of Upset, Land Use, Transportation and Circulation, and Tribal Cultural Resources, and other issue areas. The Project was found to have significant and unavoidable impacts in Risk of Upset. The consulting firm that assisted the City of Carson in the preparation of the Draft EIR is MRS Environmental, 1306 Santa Barbara St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

Submission of Public Comment: *The Public Review Period is September 3 to October 19, 2020.* Please submit written comments to Mr. Max Castillo, City of Carson, 701 East Carson St, Carson, California, 90745, (310) 952-1700 x1317. Comments may also be submitted by email to: MCastillo@carson.ca.us

Notice is also given that the City of Carson will not hold any public meetings on this Draft EIR due to the ongoing pandemic. However, interested parties are invited to comment on the Draft EIR via email and regular mail, and to participate in decision-making hearings once the Draft EIR is finalized.

A copy of the Notice of Completion and Availability, the Draft Environmental Impact Report, as well as the full project description, are available at the City of Carson, Community Development Department at 701 East Carson Street, Carson, California 90745, or online at:

http://ci.carson.ca.us/CommunityDevelopment/HydrogenGas.aspx