

Results of Environmental Review

- (1) Reference Number
26-037
- (2) Project Name
Crude Oil Export Infrastructure Project
- (3) Project Site
Texas, United States of America
- (4) Project Outline
Construction and operation of crude oil export facilities
- (5) Category
A
- (6) Reason of Categorization
The project falls into the large-scale oil, gas and chemical terminals sector and is located near sensitive area, and has sensitive characteristics under the Environmental Guidelines.
- (7) Environmental Permission / Approval by the Environmental Authority
An environmental impact assessment report has been prepared in accordance with U.S. laws, and approval was granted by the U.S. Maritime Administration (MARAD) in February 2025, subject to certain conditions.
- (8) Pollution Prevention
Appropriate pollution control measures will be implemented, including for air quality, water quality, waste, and noise.
- (9) Natural Environmental Considerations
Appropriate measures are being implemented to address impacts on the natural environment, including surrounding ecosystems, and no significant impact is foreseen.

(10) Social Considerations

No physical displacement is involved in this project. Appropriate measures will be taken to address social impacts, including living and livelihoods.

(11) Applied International Standards

IFC Performance Standards

(12) Monitoring

Monitoring including air quality, noise and oil spill is conducted, and monitoring result is to be reported to the environment authorities.

(end)

Questions

Q1. Please provide the address of the project site.

Address of the project site : Texas, near Jones Creek in Brazoria County

Q2. Please provide a brief explanation of the project.

Developing a crude oil export terminal approximately 30.5 miles off the Texas Gulf Coast that will be able to safely fully load tankers called Very Large Crude Carriers (“VLCCs”) to export crude oil to global markets

Q3. Is it a new project to be implemented or a project that has been implemented? If implemented, has it received a serious complaint from local residents or a directive for improvement, a stop-work order, a project suspension order, etc., from a local environmental authority?

- New project to be implemented
- Project that has been implemented (with a complaint)
- Project that has been implemented (without a complaint)
- Other()

Q4. Do the laws or regulations of the country where the project will be implemented require the project to conduct environmental and/or social impact assessments (such as an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA))? If so, have they been conducted or planned?

- Required (Assessments done)
- Required (Assessments in progress or being planned)
- Not Required
- Other ()

If "Not Required", please disregard Q5. Please go to Q6.

Q5. If environmental and/or social impact assessments have been conducted, have they been approved in accordance with the environmental and social impact assessment system of the country where the project will be implemented? If so, please also specify the date of the approvals and the name of the authorities.

- Approved (without condition(s))
- Approved (with condition(s))
- Under approval process
- Other ()

Date of Approvals : February 14th, 2025 / FEIS Concluded September 2024
Name of Authorities : T. Mitchell Hudson Jr. - Secretary Maritime Administration (2024)

Q6. Are there any environmental permits required other than environmental and/or social impact assessments?
If required, please specify the status and the name of the permits.

Obtained

Required, but not obtained yet

Not required

Other ([redacted])

Name(s) of required permits) : [redacted]

Q7. Will the project be specified after JBIC made a funding commitment (as in the case of a two-step loan, where sub-projects cannot be specified at the time of a funding commitment)?

Yes

No

If "Yes", please disregard the following questions.

If "No", please go to Q8.

Q8. Will JBIC's funding be used to serve as support for international balance of payments or to be used for the provision of goods or services that does not involve installation or implementation in particular sites or regions, as in the case of export/import or lease of machinery or equipment that is not connected with a particular project?

Yes
No

If "Yes", please disregard the following questions.

If "No", please go to Q9.

Q9. Are there any environmentally sensitive area(s) shown below in or near the project site(s)?

Yes
No

If "Yes", please mark the applicable items and go to Q10.

If "No", please go to Q10.

(1) National parks, nationally-designated protected areas (coastal areas, wetlands, areas for ethnic minorities or indigenous peoples, and cultural heritage, etc., designated by national governments)

(2) Forests with important ecological value (including primary forests and natural forests in tropical areas)

(3) Habitats with important ecological value (including coral reefs, mangrove wetlands, and tidal flats)

- (4) Habitats of rare species requiring protection under domestic legislation, international treaties, etc.
- (5) Areas in danger of large-scale salt accumulation or soil erosion
- (6) Areas with a remarkable tendency towards desertification
- (7) Areas with unique archaeological, historical or cultural value
- (8) Areas inhabited by ethnic minorities, indigenous peoples, or nomadic peoples with traditional ways of life (including areas which are used for cultural and spiritual purposes) and other areas with special social value

Q10. Is the project anticipated to involve the following characteristics?

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If "Yes", please specify their scale.

If "No", please go to Q12.

- (1) Involuntary resettlement or loss of means of livelihood
(Number of affected people:)
- (2) Groundwater pumping (Scale: 1658 m³/year)
- (3) Land reclamation, land development, and land clearing
(Scale: 54.75 ha)
- (4) Logging (Scale: ha)

Q11. Under the environmental and social impact assessment system of the country where the project will be implemented, do the applicable characteristics (1) - (4) of Q10 above and their scale serve as the basis for executing an ESIA for the project?

Yes, they do

No, they do not

Other (The Proposed Action of the Texas GulfLink project included these evaluations during the NEPA process)

Q12. Is the project likely to have a significant social impact, including human rights?

Yes

No

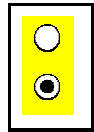
If "Yes", please describe the impacts and go to Q13.

If "No", please go to Q13.

Likelihood of a significant impact on human rights ()

Other ()

Q13. Will JBIC's funding or NEXI's insurable value be equal to or less than 5% of the total project cost, or will JBIC's funding or NEXI's insurable value be equal to or less than SDR 10 million? (If the funding or insurable value is additional to a project that has been supported by JBIC or NEXI, please add up the previous funding or insurable value and the funding or insurable value being considered to apply for this time.)

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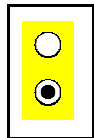
Yes

No

If "Yes", please disregard the following questions.

If "No", please go to Q14.

Q14. Is the project for capital investment or working capital in a project that has been implemented and does it involve no material change in output or function (as in the case of maintenance of the existing facilities, non-expansionary renovation project, and acquisition of rights and interests without additional capital investment)?

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Yes

No

If "Yes", please disregard the following questions.

If "No", please go to Q15.

Q15. Is the project in any of the following sectors?

Yes

No

If "Yes", mark the applicable sectors and go to Q 16.

If "No", please disregard the following question.

- (1) Mining
- (2) Oil and natural gas development
- (3) Pipelines
- (4) Iron and steel (projects that include large furnaces)
- (5) Non-ferrous metals smelting and refining
- (6) Petrochemicals (manufacture of raw materials; including complexes)
- (7) Petroleum refining
- (8) Oil, gas, and chemical terminals
- (9) Paper and pulp
- (10) Cement plants (including a greenfield quarry)
- (11) Manufacture and transport of toxic or poisonous substances regulated by international treaties, etc.
- (12) Thermal power
- (13) Nuclear power
- (14) Hydropower, dams, and reservoirs
- (15) Power transmission and distribution lines involving large-scale involuntary resettlement, large-scale logging, or submarine electrical cables

- (16) Roads, railways, and bridges
- (17) Airports
- (18) Ports and harbors
- (19) Sewage and wastewater treatment having sensitive characteristics or located in sensitive areas or their vicinity
- (20) Waste management and disposal
- (21) Agriculture involving large-scale land-clearing or irrigation
- (22) Forestry
- (23) Tourism (construction of hotels, etc.)

Q16. Please provide information on the scale of the project (project area, area of plants and buildings, production capacity, amounts of power generation, etc.). In addition, please explain whether an environmental and/or social impact assessment is required on account of the large scale of the project in the country where the project will be implemented.

Texas GulfLink's onshore terminal will be located near Jones Creek in Brazoria County, Texas, with above-ground geodesic dome tanks receiving crude oil from Houston via a 36-inch pipeline. Crude will be transported offshore through a 42-inch pipeline to one of two SPM buoys about 32 miles offshore, where VLCCs can load up to two