

Summary of the public meeting concerning the Environmental Impact Report for Nord Stream 2 – South-Eastern Route on the continental shelf

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The Danish Energy Agency held an information meeting on Bornholm the 19 of June 2019, concerning the environmental impact report for the new application from Nord Stream 2 AG for the construction of the Nord Stream 2 project on a route south-east of Bornholm.

The Danish Energy Agency informed about the environmental assessment process, including the newly agreed border between Denmark and Poland and the applied routes. Furthermore a presentation of the general conditions regarding the environmental impact report was presented. Finally the environmental assessment process was presented, including conditions for the permit and environmental monitoring.

Then Nord Stream 2 AG presented the need for a gas pipeline, as well as Europe's need for gas in the future. Nord Stream 2 AG reported that approx. 50% of the pipeline has already been laid in the Baltic Sea, and that all the countries, except Denmark, had issued a permit for the project. Specifications for the project including routing, ammunition areas, pipeline specifications, surveys, pipelaying, operation etc. was presented. Rambøll presented the basis for the environmental impact report and the process for preparing an environmental impact report for the south-east route, including field studies, impacts and conclusion. The overall conclusion from Rambøll was that the impacts are of minor and of local character.

Bornholm and Christiansø's fishing association stated that the association preferred the first application from 2017, where the route runs along Nord Stream, as the cod stock in the Baltic Sea is under pressure. To this Nord Stream 2 AG answered that it is generally considered that fishing and pipelines can co-exist, but that it affects fishery and it may be necessary to adjust their routes as not to destroy equipment and trawl.

Bornholm's municipality wanted to know what the advantages and disadvantages of the different routes are. Rambøll responded in accordance to the environmental impact reports for the individual routes.

TV2 Bornholm asked when the Danish Energy Agency expects to grant a permit. The Danish Energy Agency answered in accordance with previously presented deadline and consultation period that it depended on the scope and content of the consultation responses.

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