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Environmental groups in Georgia and Florida are upset after drilling mud from the construction of the Sabal Trail Pipeline leaked into a river near Valdosta, Georgia, **Kallanish Energy** reports.

The leak is proof the pipeline construction could hurt local waterways and aquifers, said the WWALS Watershed Coalition.

The leak occurred last month from a pilot hole for a shaft beneath the Withlacoochee River for the \$3.2 billion natural gas pipeline, according to media reports.

The small leak did not cause any threat to humans or the environment and federal and state agencies were satisfied with the leak containment, pipeline spokeswoman Andrea Grover told local media.

The pipeline will run 515 miles from Alabama to Florida. It is being developed by three companies: Spectra Energy, Duke Energy and NextEra Energy, and will flow up to 1.1 billion cubic feet per day of natural gas.

Three eco-groups, the Sierra Club, the Gulf Restoration Network and the Flint Riverkeeper, have filed a lawsuit now pending to block the pipeline.



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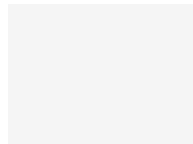
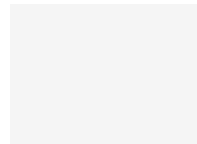
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