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BY ALEJANDRA O'CONNELL-DOMENECH | Politicians and environmental activists called on Governor Cuomo to stand by his fracking ban and halt the Williams Pipeline at a rally outside (Up Next - RELATED NEWS: - Queens shooting spree: Person in ... × Hall last Thursday.

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The pipeline, by Oklahoma-based energy company Williams, would carry hydrofracked methane gas from Pennsylvania's shale fields to New York City beneath the lower bay of New York Harbor. National Grid would use the fuel to heat homes in Staten Island, Queens, Brooklyn and Long Island.



Public Advocate Jumaane Williams spoke out against the Willia Pipeline at rally held outside of City Hall on April 18. (Photo by Alejandra O'Connell-Domenech)

According to Earther, the pipeline is a 47-mile expansion of th company's Transco Pipeline and would link existing infrastruc in New Jersey to Far Rockaway.

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President Donald Trump issued two executive orders that wor Up Next - RELATED NEWS: - Queens shooting spree: Person in ... \times speed up oil and gas pipeline projects. Demonstrators said tha intensified the urgency for Cuomo to take a stand against this particular project.







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Young protesters called on Governor Cuomo to stop the Williams Pipeline as they marched across the Brooklyn Bridge on April 18 $_{
m Up\ Next\ -\ RELATED\ NEWS:\ -\ Queens\ shooting\ spree:\ Person\ in\ ...}$ (Photo by Alejandra O'Connell-Domenech)

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"When I was in Albany running for lieutenant governor, I stoo front of a place [Cuomo] wanted to build a fracked-gas plant," Advocate Jumaane Williams told the crowd of more than 100 protesters.



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"Governor," Williams said, "we are at a time when words are not enough. We have to see action."

The crowd chanted and waved blue and red banners before marching over the Brooklyn Bridge.



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Cuomo spoke out publicly against Trump's executive orders, b fracking in New York State in 2014 and announced increased of efficiency and energy storage targets in 2016. But activists and local politicians don't think he is doing enough to wean the state of its dependency on fossil fuels.







Protesters marched across the Brooklyn Bridge on April 18 as part of rally calling for Governor Cuomo to stop the proposed Williams

Pipeline. (Photo by Alejandra O'Connell-Domenech)

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And for some, having a governor who takes a strong stance againing any fossil fuels in order to combat climate change is personal to the strong stance again.

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"My elementary school was completely flooded," said Esther Kline,

19, about Hurricane Sandy's impact on Torah Academy for Girls in

Queens. "We didn't have school for weeks. My apartment was

flooded. I had no heat. I had no electricity for weeks. If water l

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keep on rising, that can happen again."

The governor's ties to the Williams corporation has come undo scrutiny. WNYC reported that Cuomo hired a lobbyist for the pipeline company to lead his re-election campaign, and may have received financial backing from a \$100,000 donation from the company to a Democratic Party governors' organization that supports him.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission gave its O.K. to the Williams Pipeline in December. Now the project is under review by





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Protesters called on Governor Cuomo to make good on his opposition

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Many opponents of the pipeline are not just worried about how the pipeline would contribute to greenhouse gas emissions, but also how trenching 23 miles of ocean floor would harm marine life in New York Harbor.

"All the toxins that have been in bioremediation for the last four decades will be churned up, come right onto our beaches, where people are fishing, where whales and dolphins have been returning," said Kim Fraczek, director of the Sane Energy Project. Sane Energy Project is one of the groups that make up the Stop the Williams Pipeline Coalition.

For other demonstrators, stopping the Williams Pipeline is essential for changing what they charge is a national culture that values profit over people.

"We have to recognize the mentality of the fat taker and the mentality of taking too much," said Aru Apaza, from the group Seeding Sovereignty.





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