Biological and Cultural Surveys
Valley Lateral Project

Environmental Surveys

• Biological and cultural resource surveys are conducted during the route planning stage to identify potentially sensitive resources.

• Examples of typical field surveys include wetlands and water bodies, rare species and cultural resources.

• Field-level reviews can assist in:
  - Reducing wetland crossing lengths
  - Reducing number of water body crossings
  - Planning perpendicular water body crossings
  - Maintaining vegetative buffers at parallel streams
  - Avoiding cultural resource sites