

## HYBOR hydrogen pipeline: Ground investigations and mapping begin

*Pipeline in Saxony-Anhalt, Saxony and Thuringia strengthens Eastern Germany as an industrial hub. Information events in May 2026.*

**Kassel.** The scoping process for the planned HYBOR hydrogen pipeline has begun in all affected federal states – Saxony-Anhalt, Saxony and Thuringia. In this early stage of the process, the scope of the investigations for further environmental assessments is being defined in collaboration with the relevant authorities and public interest groups. This lays the groundwork for the subsequent environmental impact assessment and the planning approval process.

Preparatory investigations have been underway along the planned route since the end of 2025. These include environmental mapping of flora and fauna as well as ground investigations. The aim is to assess local conditions at an early stage and to align further planning responsibly with natural and site-specific conditions.

The results of the investigations and scoping will be incorporated into the documentation for the planning approval procedure, which is scheduled to commence next year.

The approximately 120-kilometre-long HYBOR hydrogen pipeline is set to run from Bobbau in Saxony-Anhalt through Saxony to Rückersdorf in Thuringia. It forms part of Germany's core hydrogen network and is scheduled for completion by 2029. The project is being implemented by GASCADE as part of the 'Flow – making hydrogen happen' infrastructure program.

HYBOR connects existing pipelines that will be converted for hydrogen transport in the future, thereby closing an important gap in the emerging hydrogen network. This will enable hydrogen to be reliably transported to the region and distributed to industry, storage facilities and other consumers. The pipeline thus makes an important contribution to the development of a climate-neutral energy supply in Saxony-Anhalt, Saxony and Thuringia.

### **Information events in May 2026**

To keep the public informed about the project at an early stage and in a transparent manner, GASCADE is organising public information events in the affected regions in May 2026. At these events, interested parties can find out about the current state of planning and the next steps, and put their questions and concerns directly to the project team.

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Halle (Saale)	Sportlerheim Reideburg	Paul-Singer-Straße 56a, 06116 Halle (Saale)	Tue, 5 May 2026	5–8 pm
District Anhalt-Bitterfeld	Gut Mößlitz	Mößlitz Nr. 6, 06780 Zörbig	Wed, 6 May 2026	5–8 pm
Saalekreis	Kulturhaus Leuna	Spergauer Str. 41A, 06237 Leuna	Thu, 7 May 2026	5–8 pm
Burgenlandkreis	Hyzet Klubhaus	Hauptstraße 26, 06729 Elsteraue	Tue, 19 May 2026	5–8 pm
Landkreis Leipzig	Volkshaus Pegau	Kirchplatz 3, 04523 Pegau	Wed, 20 May 2026	5–8 pm
Landkreis Greiz	Schützenhaus	Schießgasse 11, 07580 Ronneburg	Thu, 21 May 2026	5–8 pm

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GASCADE has already converted 400 kilometers of its network to hydrogen. With a clear focus on decarbonization and security of supply, the hydrogen network operator is involved in key onshore and offshore hydrogen projects to develop import corridors in the North Sea and Baltic Sea and secure Europe's hydrogen supply.