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Although pipeline projects are often surrounded by controversy, archaeological survey and excavation is playing an increasingly vital role in project development. Federal regulations require that pipeline projects consider not just their environmental impact, but the cultural impact as well. Because archaeologists and pipeline projects have very different goals, the question becomes how can archaeologists work with pipeline developers to ensure the protection of the past without impeding development and progress? Join us and our guests, Chris Bergman, Jim Bloemker, and Bill Chamberlain as w

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Christopher A. Bergman

Christopher A. Bergman is a Principal Archaeologist with URS Corporation in Cincinnati, Ohio. He received his PhD in Prehistoric Archaeology from the University of London in 1985. He has worked extensively in the Middle East, Europe, and Japan, and in the United States has been actively involved in Cultural Resource Management studies related to natural gas and petroleum products pipelines for over 20 years. Dr. Bergman's research interests include lithic technology, experimental archaeology, and the material culture of people living in marginal resource settings.

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Jim Bloemker

Jim Bloemker is staff archaeologist at Williams in Houston, Texas where he has been employed since 1991. Prior to his work as an archaeologist in the natural gas industry, Jim worked as a regulatory archaeologist on the staff of the West Virginia Historic Preservation Office for seven years. Before landing these full-time positions Jim spent a number of seasons in various part-time seasonal archaeology jobs. Jim has an MS in Archaeological Resources Management from Ball State University and a BA in Anthropology/Sociology and History from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

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Bill Chamberlain

Bill Chamberlain is a project engineer and graduate of West Point. He has had a long and prolific career with the Army Corp of Engineers. He has also played an integral role in environmental planning, most notably, drafting environmental regulations with natural gas companies, Williams and Transco.

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