



ARTS & CULTURE

NEWS

EVENTS

COMMUNITY

FOOD AND DRINK

SUPPORT US

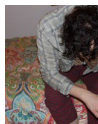


NEWS

# Police Arrest Ten Protestors on Friday as Pipeline Action Continues

Extinction Rebellion Briefly Stop National Grid Drilling Project as Protestors Place themselves directly in the work zone.

ANDREW KARPAN, FEBRUARY 28, 2020



**Andrew Karpan**

@donniedelillo

The battle in Brooklyn over National Grid’s proposed pipeline got hot again Friday morning, after police arrested ten protestors who blocked the pipeline’s construction.

“This was a nonviolent direct action,” Jonathan Minard told Bushwick Daily, who was among those involved with the demonstration. Minard is part of Extinction Rebellion, a protest group that was started in the UK and is known for shutting down locations—the group’s prominence dates to its shutting down a number of bridges in London in 2018.

Extinction Rebellion was also prominently involved in [a rally earlier this month](#) that shut down the pipeline’s construction.

Friday’s protest had began at 8 a.m., when demonstrators who Minard described as new and fresh-faced to the movement, filled the gaping crevices where the thirty-inch pipe was to be constructed. As they took a collective seat on nearby construction materials, the group of twenty or so protesters could be heard chanting phrases like “No Brooklyn pipe” and “People over profits,” to the time of a shaking tambourine.

Minard tells Bushwick Daily that the activists had informed the surprised workers that they were not protesting them as people but, rather, the multinational British energy concern they worked for.

Construction soon ground to a halt for few chilly hours in East Williamsburg. The protest had been plotted as a “stealth operation,” Minard says.

Police later arrived and arrested some ten protesters who had not yet departed.

By 11a.m. the National Grid employees had resumed grinding into the earth.





*Police soon arrived on the scene. (courtesy of Lee Ziesche)*

Minard, who was not arrested, explained all this as part of a wider struggle in a later statement.

“It is important to acknowledge that Brooklyn is the unceded territory of the Canarsee people of the Lenape Nation, and this North Brooklyn pipeline represents a further assault on sacred land,” he writes.

Along with a related group, the Sane Energy Project, Extinction Rebellion plans to hold a rally Saturday morning at 9am.

---


Top photo taken by Erik McGregor, courtesy of Extinction Rebellion.

For more news, sign up for Bushwick Daily's [newsletter](#).

**Tags**   DSA   East Williamsburg   Extinction Rebellion   national grid   natural  
gas   pipeline   SANE   Sane Energy Group


## You might also be interested in..



 Salazar Campaign Hosting a Campaign Fundraiser and Debate Watch Party Tonight

NEWS

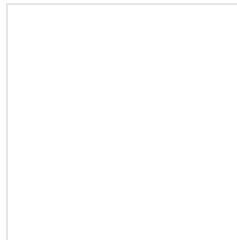
**Salazar Campaign Hosting a Campaign Fundraiser and Debate Watch Party Tonight**

 Atlas Engine Shares Synth-Fueled New Single “Where Have You Gone?”

BUSHWICK BANDSTAND

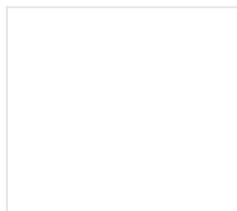
**Atlas Engine Shares Synth-Fueled New Single “Where Have You Gone?”**

## Read also...



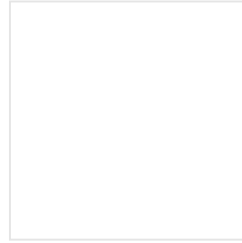
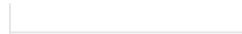
COMMUNITY

**More Housing Drama Hits Broadway Triangle in Bushwick**



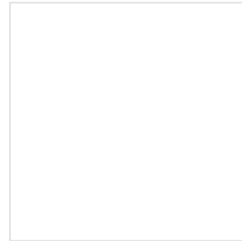
ARTS & CULTURE

**Photos: New Cafe and Bar The Loft at Elsewhere Opens in East Williamsburg Tonight**



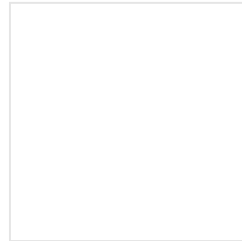
**ARTS & CULTURE**

**“elrow” Immersive Roman Olympics Themed Party Happening at Brooklyn Mirage**



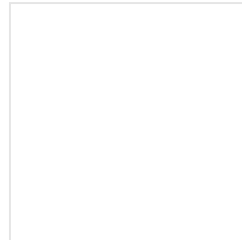
**GUIDES**

**10 Perfect Spots for a Summer Date in Bushwick or Ridgewood**



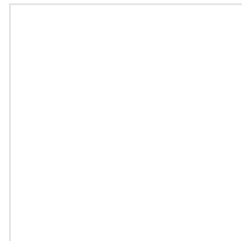
**BUSINESS**

**This Queer Kitchen Brings Together the LGBTQ+ Community Through Food**



**NEWS**

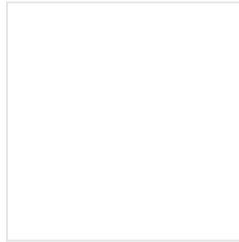
**General Deb’s – The Latest Casualty Of Natural Gas Fight**



**NEWS**

**Nat Grid Pushes Pipeline into Bushwick while Refusing New Hookups to Local Businesses**





NEWS

# “No Pipes in Brooklyn!” Protesters Shut Down Construction On a Fracked-Gas Pipeline This Weekend



 [Subscribe](#) ▼

Connect with | [Login](#)



*Be the First to Comment!*

**B** *I* U        [+]



0 COMMENTS



**PAGES**

[Why Premium?](#)

[Advertise](#)

**TOPICS**

[Arts & Culture](#)

[Bars](#)

[Food and Drink](#)

[Guides](#)

[News](#)

[Restaurants](#)

[Bushwick Daily Yellow Card](#)

[Community](#)

[Jobs](#)

[People](#)

[Subscription Agreement](#)

[Escapes](#)

[Long Reads](#)

[Politics](#)

[Terms of Use](#)

[Events](#)

[Music and Nightlife](#)

[Sponsored](#)

[Privacy Policy](#)

[About](#)

[Contributors](#)

[Submit to Classifieds](#)



**SUBSCRIBE TO OUR NEWSLETTER**

The latest news, articles, and resources, sent to your inbox weekly.

**SUBSCRIBE**

