

Trans-Andean Crude Pipeline Construction

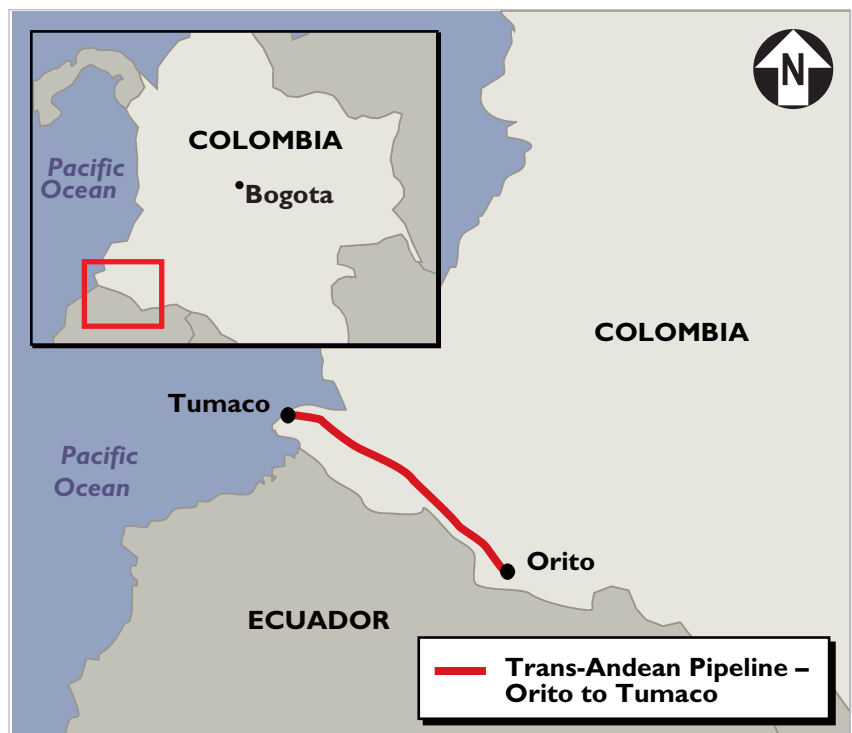
Texas Petroleum Company and Colombia Gulf Oil Company



In 1968, Willbros began constructing the Trans-Andean Pipeline System from Orito to Tumaco in Colombia. The system consists of 310 km (193 miles) of 10-, 14-, and 18-inch pipelines, including pump stations, pressure-reducing stations, and marine terminal facilities.

At the time, the Trans-Andean Pipeline, one of five Willbros' crossings of the Andes Mountains, was considered the most difficult pipeline project ever undertaken. The altitude reached 3,600 m (11,800 feet), and the work was complicated by frequent, heavy rain. Willbros pioneered the use of helicopters in high altitude construction during this project.

Upon completion in 1969, the Trans-Andean Pipeline was administered and maintained by Willbros until 1971.



Project Award
1968

Project Completion
1971

Colombia