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KEEP YOUR SCHOOL SAFE

Important Natural Gas Safety Information



Find Pipelines Near Your School

One in every 20 schools is located within a half mile of a petroleum or natural gas transmission pipeline or above ground pipeline facility.

Pipeline markers indicate only the approximate, not exact, location of buried pipelines. Markers also do not indicate the depth or number of pipelines in the area. These yellow markers display the pipeline operator's name and a phone number to call in case of emergency.

You can view the approximate locations of major natural gas pipelines at socalgas.com/Map or on the National Pipeline Mapping System (NPMS) [website at npms.phmsa.dot.gov](https://npms.phmsa.dot.gov).

These maps only indicate the general location of pipelines and should never be used as a substitute for contacting 811.

Pipeline Markings & What They Mean

High-visibility markers, like the one below, mark the general location of major pipeline routes. Contact 811 if you need accurate pipeline location marked.

Utilities Color Codes

-  **Red:** Electric
-  **Yellow:** Natural Gas, oil, steam
-  **Orange:** Communications
-  **Blue:** Water
-  **Purple:** Reclaimed Water
-  **Green:** Sewer
-  **Pink:** Temporary Markings
-  **White:** Proposed Excavation





Contact 811 Before You Dig - It's the Law!

Starting a school garden or doing some work around your school that requires digging? If so, you will need to contact 811 to learn where utility-owned pipelines are to keep everyone safe during your projects.



Mark Out your proposed project area in white paint or provide other suitable markings.



Contact 811 Underground Service Alert (USA) for a ticket at least two business days before digging, not including the date of notification. Request a ticket at california811.org or dial **811**. Check utility responses to your 811 ticket by visiting DigAlert.org or USANorth.org.



Use Only Hand Tools within 24 inches on each side of marked utility lines to carefully expose the exact locations of all lines.

A USA ticket is valid for 28 days. If work is to continue, the ticket must be updated prior to the end of 28 days.

NOTE: SoCalGas is responsible for marking natural gas pipelines up to the gas meter. To locate and mark customer-owned lines, which typically run from the meter to natural gas equipment, contact a qualified pipe-locating professional.



Recognize a Natural Gas Leak

Be alert to any of the signs you may see, hear, or smell when there is a leak.



Look

If you see a damaged connection to a natural gas appliance, dirt/water blowing into the air, a dry patch of grass, fire or an explosion near a pipeline.



Listen

If you hear unusual sounds like hissing or whistling.



Smell

If you smell the distinctive odor* of natural gas.

* Some persons may not be able to smell the odor because they have a diminished sense of smell due to a respiratory illness or another physical condition, olfactory fatigue (normal, temporary inability to distinguish an odor after prolonged exposure to it), or because the odor is being hidden by other odors present. In addition, certain pipeline and soil conditions can cause odor fade (the loss of odorant so that it is not detectable by smell).

If You Smell Natural Gas, Suspect A Leak, Or Damage Has Occurred

Immediately Evacuate The Area.

CALL SoCalGas at 1-800-427-2200 from a safe location.

CALL 911 promptly, from a safe location, if there is damage resulting in a natural gas leak that may endanger life, cause bodily harm or property damage.

DO NOT smoke or light a match, candle or create any other flame. Static electricity can ignite leaking natural gas.

DO NOT use machinery, turn electric appliances or lights on or off, or use any device that could cause a spark.

DO NOT attempt to control the leak or repair a damaged pipe or meter.



Report any pipeline damage by calling SoCalGas immediately at 1-800-427-2200. Even a slight gouge, scrape or dent to a pipeline may harm the integrity of the pipe or cause a dangerous leak in the future.

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Pipeline Maintenance And Your Safety

SoCalGas pipelines deliver natural gas to approximately 22 million residential and business customers. We routinely patrol, test, repair and replace our natural gas pipelines. Our employees also undergo ongoing technical training and testing. We monitor natural gas for quality and add a distinctive odor to aid in the detection of leaks. We also maintain an ongoing relationship with emergency response officials in order to prepare for and respond to any pipeline emergency.

For more information on our integrity management plan outline, visit socalgas.com/PipelineSafety.

Important Contact Information

Report a pipeline
emergency
1-800-427-2200 or 911

Hearing Impaired,
call TDD/TTY
1-800-252-0259

Asistencia en español
1-800-342-4545

Contact 811:
Visit california811.org
or call 811

For safety information:
socalgas.com/BeSafe

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de seguridad en español:
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