



IF YOU LIVE OR WORK **NEAR A PIPELINE**



HOW CAN YOU TELL WHERE A PIPELINE IS LOCATED?

Since natural gas pipelines are underground, line markers are used to indicate the approximate location of the pipelines. However, these markers do not indicate how deep the pipeline is buried. Also, the route can take twists and turns between markers.

Never assume the pipeline lies in a straight line. Always call the Iowa One-Call Center at **811** or **1-800-292-8989** before digging. It is a crime for any person to deliberately damage, destroy or remove any pipeline sign or right-of-way marker.

Pipelines can lose cover through natural erosion or other forces. Certain types of deep farming activities require advanced notification. Some examples are: chisel plowing, waterway work, and tiling. If you observe indicators that a pipeline is shallow or exposed, contact the [City of Hawarden](#) at 712.551.2565.

WHAT IS A PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY?

A pipeline right-of-way is the strip of land over a pipeline. The right-of-way agreement between our Utility and the property owner is called an easement. Easements provide our Utility with permanent, limited access to the land to enable us to operate, test, inspect, maintain and protect our pipeline.

CAN I BUILD/DIG ON A RIGHT-OF-WAY?

Pipeline right-of-way must be kept free from structures and other obstructions. If a pipeline crosses your property, please do not plant trees or shrubs on or near the right-of-way without first having our Utility personnel mark the pipeline, stake the easement and explain construction guidelines to you.

WHO SHOULD I CALL IF I DETECT A GAS LEAK IN MY HOME?

If you suspect a natural gas leak inside your home or on your service line, immediately evacuate the premises and contact [the City of Hawarden](#) at 712.551.2565.