



IF YOU ARE AN **EXCAVATOR OR PLAN TO DIG**

People doing excavation, digging or grading are the most frequent cause of pipeline damage and failures. Whether you are planning to build a major development or landscape your property, you should protect your safety and the safety of those around your work site by notifying the Iowa One Call notification system at either **811** or **1-800-292-8989** at least 48 hours prior to excavating.

When notified in advance by the One-Call Center, the [City of Hawarden](#) gas personnel will stake the exact location of the pipeline. This free service allows you to begin your project with the assurance that your safety will not be compromised and our pipeline will not be damaged.

WHAT IF I DIG AND DISTURB A PIPELINE?

If you hit or contact a pipeline in any way, inform [the City of Hawarden](#) immediately at [712.551.2565](tel:712.551.2565). A gouge, scrape, scratch, dent or crease to a pipe or its coating may cause a future safety problem. It is imperative that [the City of Hawarden](#) inspects and repairs any damage to our pipeline, no matter how minor it may seem.

WHAT SAFETY PROCEDURES SHOULD YOU TAKE?

When it comes to the safety of you or anyone else near a pipeline, it is important to know the procedures you should take when someone has damaged a pipeline or when you suspect a gas leak. If you or anyone else accidentally damages or suspects a gas leak on a [City of Hawarden](#) pipeline, follow the procedures below:

1. Leave the area immediately and warn others to stay away.
2. If you suspect your excavation equipment has struck a pipeline, do not attempt to move the equipment. Shut the equipment off and leave the area.
3. Once away from the pipeline, call [the City of Hawarden](#) at [712.551.2565](tel:712.551.2565) as well as your local fire or police department.