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**KNOW WHAT'S BELOW.  
 BE SAFE. DIG SAFE. CALL BEFORE YOU DIG.**

To help keep our communities safe, please call **811** before digging. With one free call to **811** at least two business days in advance, PG&E will send a crew to mark our underground gas and electric facilities before you begin work, helping you plan a safe project.



**PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT**

We are committed to preserving and protecting the environment. That's why we look for any critical habitat, endangered species, native plants or cultural resources that need protection. We are also especially mindful of nesting bird season and will pause work if we find an active nest.

**HOW UTILITY BEST PRACTICES GUIDE THIS WORK:**

PG&E follows recommendations from the U.S. Dept of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration and Pipelines and Informed Planning Alliance, as well as the Public Awareness for Pipeline Operators' American Petroleum Institute to keep the area above the pipeline safe and clear for the safety of our communities.

<https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/>



**Working Together to Keep  
 the Area Above Gas  
 Pipelines Safe and Clear**

# PG&E's most important responsibility is the safety of our customers and communities.



That's why our **Gas Transmission Vegetation Management** program inspects the area above and around the pipe to look for any structures, trees or brush that could block access in an emergency or for critical maintenance work. Addressing items that pose a safety concern will help ensure that the gas system continues to operate safely for years to come.

## Working Together to Keep the Pipeline Safe

We know that we cannot do this alone. We must work together to help reduce safety risks and prevent accidents and damage to the pipeline.

Community members can help keep the pipeline safe by:

- ✔ Calling 811 before starting a digging or landscaping project.
- ✔ Monitoring and reporting any suspicious activity near pipelines.
- ✔ Keeping the area above and around a pipeline free of structures and trees.

## DO YOU LIVE NEAR A GAS PIPELINE?

To see if a gas transmission pipeline runs on or near your property, visit:

[pge.com/pipelinelocations](https://www.pge.com/pipelinelocations)



## KEEPING THE AREA ABOVE THE PIPELINE SAFE



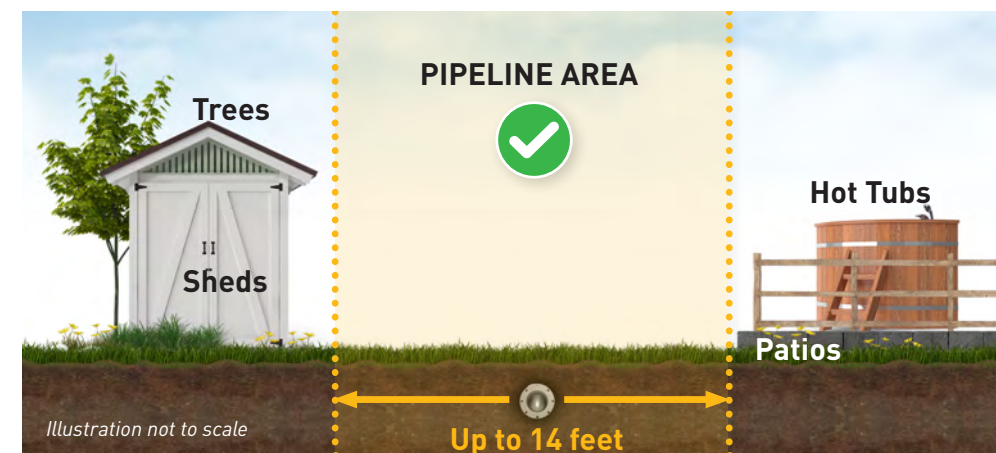
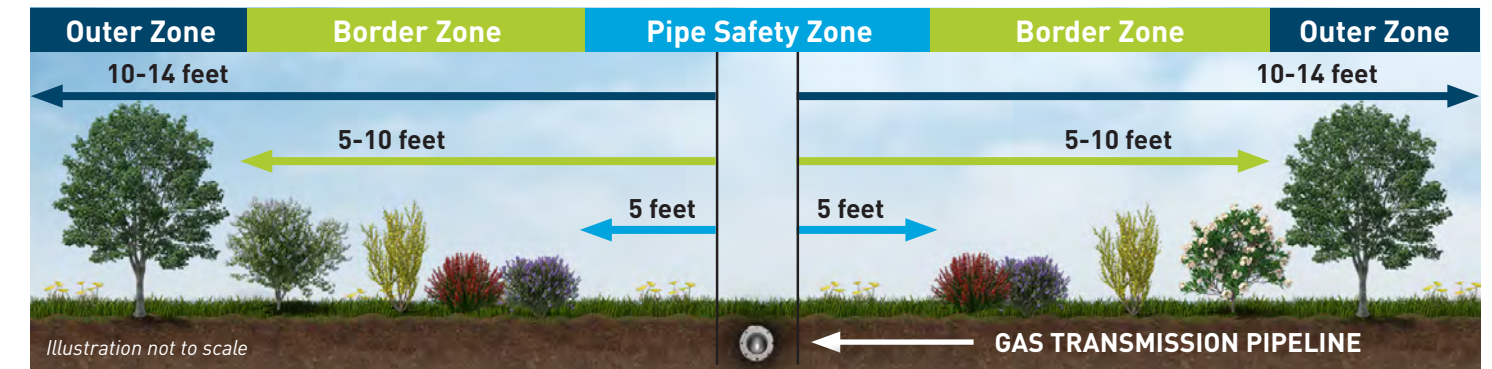
### CAREFULLY REVIEWING EVERY TREE

We understand how important trees are to our communities and the environment. We take a close look at each tree near a pipeline and work with customers to only relocate or remove those trees that pose a safety concern. Our review includes looking at a number of factors, including:

- ✔ Location
- ✔ Species
- ✔ Size when grown
- ✔ Distance to Pipe

### SAFE LANDSCAPING NEAR PIPELINES

You can help keep the area above and around a pipeline safe by choosing the right plant for the right location. Many types of low-growing plants and shrubs work well near the pipe, while trees should be planted at least 10-14 feet away from the pipeline. Download our Guide to Safe Landscaping at [pge.com/safelandscaping](https://www.pge.com/safelandscaping).



### STRUCTURES NEAR PIPELINES:

Certain structures can block access to a pipeline in an emergency or for critical maintenance work. Typically, structures should be at least 14 feet from the pipeline to keep the community and the pipeline safe.