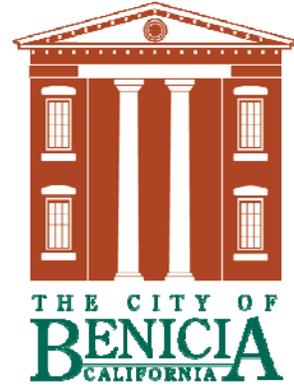


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PG&E ANNOUNCES COMMUNITY PIPELINE SAFETY INITIATIVE Reviewing structures, trees and brush located near the gas pipeline in the City of Benicia

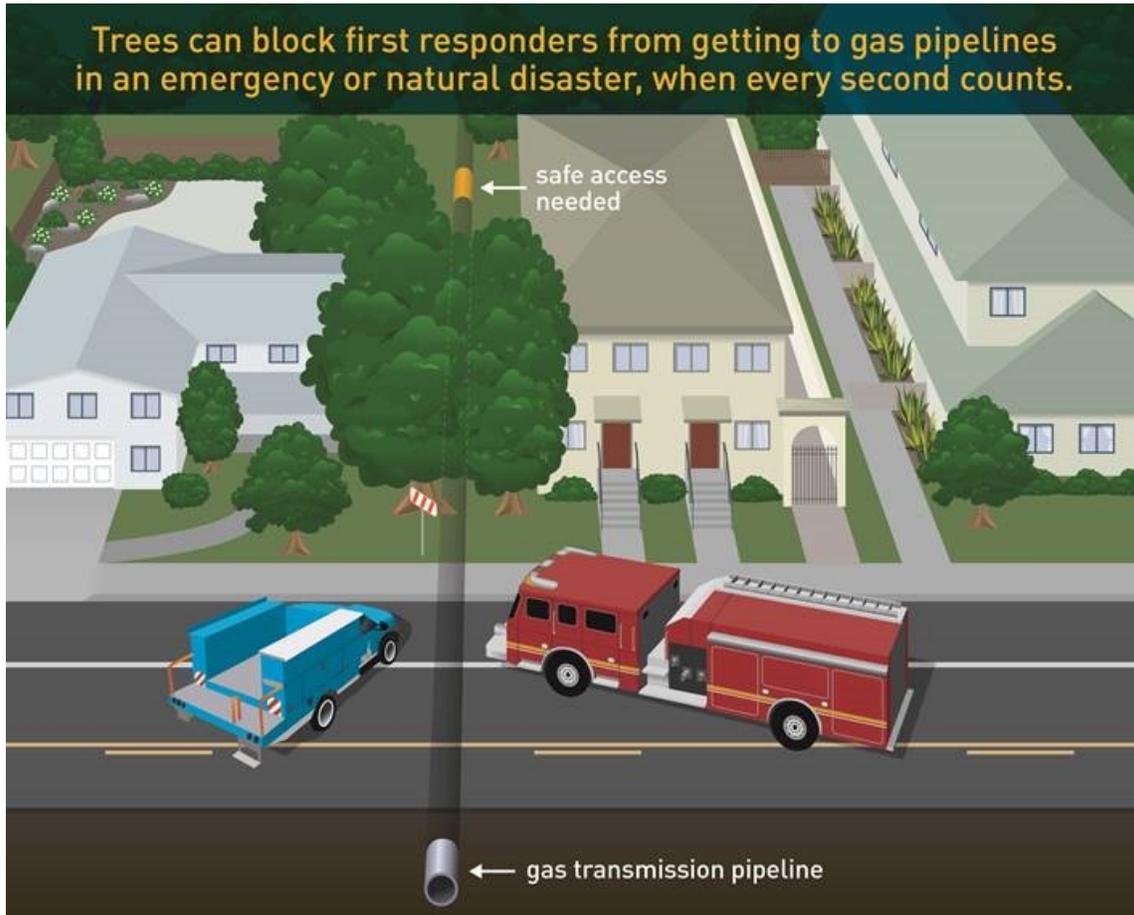
Benicia, CA (March 8, 2016) — Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is working with residents and the City of Benicia to help ensure first responders have immediate access to natural gas transmission pipelines in case of an emergency. This important safety work involves reviewing structures, trees and brush located near the gas pipeline that could block emergency access for first responders or damage the pipeline.

Property owners who live near the gas pipeline may receive a letter from PG&E indicating the need to gather additional information on trees and brush located on their properties to determine if they pose a safety concern. The letter will provide additional information about the pipeline safety program and the review process. PG&E will then call the property owner to set up a meeting to discuss the planned work in more detail and answer any questions. PG&E has committed to working collaboratively with property owners on this safety work.

For any tree or structure that needs to be replaced for safety reasons, PG&E will work with the property owner to develop a plan that protects public safety while preserving the character and natural beauty of the community. This includes offering a new tree to be planted at a safe distance from the pipe for any tree that needs to be replaced for safety reasons. PG&E will be applying for tree removal permits through the City of Benicia Parks & Community Services Department and encroachment permits through the Public Works Department, where necessary.

Residents who live near any safety work planned for City streets and other public areas will be notified by PG&E prior to any work taking place.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the planned safety work in Benicia, please contact PG&E's local customer outreach specialist Kandice Wackerly at 916-838-6079 or kandice.wackerly@pge.com. Additional information on the Community Pipeline Safety Initiative, as well as other PG&E gas safety efforts, can also be found at pge.com/GasSafety.



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