

7 steps to working safely near pipelines

1. Check:
 - pipeline signs for phone numbers, and contact the pipeline company
 - land records for easements
 - CER Damage Prevention Regulations – Authorizations
2. For any ground disturbance in the prescribed area that will go 30 cm or deeper, get written consent from the pipeline company.
3. Contact the One-Call centre (www.clickbeforeyoudig.com) to start the locate process, and obtain the required safety information from the pipeline company following a locate request.
4. Be on site when the company technician arrives.
5. Wait until the pipeline company representative is on site before starting, as per their instructions.
6. Have the One-Call ticket and written consent from the pipeline company on site.
7. Inform the pipeline company immediately if any equipment contacts the pipe.

Activities that do not require consent

- digging less than 30 cm below the surface (for example: planting flowers)
- agricultural cultivation less than 45 cm, unless notified by the pipeline company that it's unsafe to do so in certain areas

Activities that require consent

- driving vehicles or mobile equipment on the right-of-way (does not include agricultural activities)
- placing a structure on a right-of-way (for example: fence, pool, wood pile, shrub, trees)
- removing earth cover from the right-of-way
- agricultural cultivation 45 cm or deeper in the prescribed area
- ground disturbance 30 cm or more in the prescribed area (for example: digging holes for fence posts or deck footings)

