

# Natural Gas

Safe and Responsible



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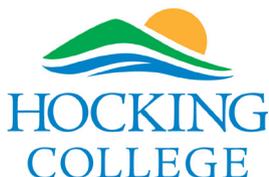
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We want to provide you with information regarding Hocking College natural gas pipeline facilities, located underground and above ground within the campus area, providing natural gas to Hocking College.

To ensure our natural gas pipeline facilities are safe and reliable, the Hocking College Physical Plant group follows a regular operations and maintenance program. Educating students, faculty and staff about our natural gas pipelines is a standard part of this program.

While Hocking College's regular operations and maintenance program should address issues with the pipeline facilities before they become a problem, it's important for you to be aware of hazards you could potentially encounter so you are able to identify them and properly report them.



## TELLTALE SIGNS OF A POTENTIAL GAS LEAK

- A distinctive rotten egg smell.
- A shrill blowing or hissing sound.
- Dirt being blown or thrown into the air.
- Bubbles coming from or water being blown into the air at a puddle, pond, creek or river.
- Fire apparently coming from the ground or burning above the ground.
- Patches of brown vegetation in the grassy areas.
- Dry dirt spots in grassy areas.

# A Few Things You Can Do

## UTILITY MARKING

Leaking is a potential hazard caused by deterioration of the facilities over time or outside forces. Hocking College's natural gas facilities are well maintained, so it is most likely that leaking would be caused by outside forces, such as digging into an underground pipeline and damaging it. This type of damage can be prevented by contacting the Hocking College Campus Police/Safety Services at 740.753.6598 before you do any digging (i.e., digging for any type of construction or even planting flowers, installing signage or posts, etc.) within the campus.

## A "FUNNY" SMELL

If a leak occurs, it is important for you to be able to recognize it. Gas occurring naturally from the earth cannot be seen or smelled. But natural gas from pipelines on campus has been treated with an odorant, smelling like rotten eggs, so you should be able to smell it.

**WHAT TO DO** If you suspect a gas leak on campus or sense an emergency with our natural gas pipeline facilities, please do the following:

1. Immediately evacuate the area.
2. Call Campus Police/Safety Services at 740.753.6598 so the leak can be verified and corrective measures can be taken.
3. During this time, avoid open flames or other ignition sources, including operating light switches, garage door openers, or motor vehicles.

Standard Legal Notice - Information regarding Hocking College natural gas pipeline facilities.

For more information about Hocking College's natural gas program, please contact Will Alder, Fleet Supervisor at 740.753.6573 or alderw@hocking.edu.

