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Explorer Pipeline (“Explorer”) operates a pipeline on your property. Explorer conducts routine maintenance and inspections along the path of the pipeline, also referred to as the right-of-way or ROW.

Residents and business owners along the pipeline right-of-way are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the pipeline’s path. Pipeline markers are located along the pipeline right-of-way, at road and railroad crossings, and at all above-ground facilities. They are easy to spot—just look for the black, yellow, and white signs.

Pipeline markers identify the general location of the pipeline, the specific products transported, the operator’s name and the emergency contact number.

In addition, the federal government provides access to maps that show the approximate location of transmission pipelines in your community. To view maps, visit the online National Pipeline Mapping System at <https://www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov>.



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# PIPELINE RIGHT-OF-WAY



The depth of cover and right-of-way width may vary.

## DESCRIPTION OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE ALONG THE RIGHT-OF-WAY

**Right-of-Way Clearing** – Explorer performs right-of-way clearing to remove vegetation such as trees, shrubs, and overgrowth to make the pipeline visible and accessible. Right-of-way clearing may include mowing, clearing, and side trimming tree limbs that extend into the right-of-way.

**Right-of-Way Patrol** – Explorer inspects the right-of-way on the ground and by aerial surveillance. Aerial patrols look for right-of-way encroachments and unauthorized work along the right-of-way.

**Maintenance and Inspection** – Explorer inspects and maintains above-ground appurtenances such as valves, test leads, and rectifiers.

Explorer's easement generally restricts the placement of any permanent structures such as buildings, parking lots, ponds, pools, and privacy fences within the right-of-way boundaries.

Flower beds, lawns and vegetable gardens are permitted within the right-of-way, but may be damaged by maintenance or testing if planted directly over the pipeline. Some maintenance may require total clearing of the right-of-way.

The planting of trees or shrubbery on, or which hang over, Explorer's right-of-way is prohibited unless specifically allowed in a written agreement with Explorer. Ornamental trees or shrubs with deep or extensive root systems will **NOT** be allowed within the right-of-way at any time.

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An authorized Explorer representative must be on-site during any type of excavation or surface modification within the right-of-way. This includes activities such as planting trees, installing basketball goals, flagpoles, or irrigation systems, constructing storage sheds or other outbuildings, or driving fence posts.

Before you start any excavation project, call 811 (State One Call Center).



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