



W&T OFFSHORE

We are W&T Offshore, Inc., an independent oil and natural gas producer, active in the exploration, development, and production of oil and natural gas. W&T Offshore operates an underground natural gas pipeline in your area. We are providing this safety information, as part of our pipeline Public Awareness Program, to our neighbors who live and work in the vicinity of our facilities. Please share this information with others.

What is natural gas?

Natural gas is the cleanest burning fossil fuel. It moves silently, safely and efficiently through an extensive network of interstate pipelines in the United States, and W&T Offshore is part of that network.

Here are some reassuring facts about natural gas:

- Natural gas is not poisonous or toxic.
- Natural gas will not ignite on its own. To burn, natural gas requires both a precise amount of oxygen and an ignition source.
- Natural gas is colorless and odorless in its natural state.
- Natural gas is lighter than air and will rise and diffuse rapidly.

Are pipelines safe?

Natural gas pipelines are the safest method of transporting energy. They lie underground, virtually unseen as they deliver large volumes of gas to their customers. Although W&T Offshore follows pipeline safety procedures, it is still important for everyone living and working near gas pipelines to know basic safety information.

Also, pipelines are part of the critical infrastructure of the United States energy grid. While pipeline companies and employees across the nation are on a heightened state of alert, we continue to monitor and patrol the pipeline regularly via aircraft, vehicles and/or on foot. Please call local law enforcement if you see anything out of the ordinary in your area.

HOW WOULD YOU KNOW WHERE A PIPELINE IS?

Pipeline markers are important for the safety of the general public and provide emergency responders with critical information. Most pipelines are underground, where they are more protected from the elements and minimize interference with surface uses. Even so, pipeline rights-of-way are clearly identified by pipeline markers along pipeline routes that identify the approximate—NOT EXACT—location of the pipeline. Every pipeline marker contains information identifying the company that operates the pipeline, the product transported, and a phone number that should be called in the event of an emergency. Markers do not indicate pipeline burial depth, which will vary. Markers are typically seen where a pipeline intersects a street, highway or railway. For any person to willfully deface, damage, remove, or destroy any pipeline marker is a federal crime.

IF YOU LIVE OR WORK NEAR A PIPELINE

What is a pipeline right-of-way?

A pipeline right-of-way is the strip of land over a pipeline. A right-of-way agreement between W&T Offshore and a property owner is called an easement. Easements provide W&T Offshore with permanent, limited access to the land to enable us to operate, test, inspect, maintain, and protect the pipeline.

Can I build/dig on a right-of-way?

Pipeline rights-of-way must be kept free from structures and other obstructions. If a pipeline crosses your property, please do not plant trees or high shrubs on or near the right-of-way without first having W&T Offshore personnel mark the pipeline's location, stake the easement and explain construction guidelines to you.

What should I do if I detect a gas leak in my home?

If you suspect a natural gas leak inside your home or on your service line, immediately evacuate and contact your local gas company.

EMERGENCY CONTACT:

**251-973-4634 or
251-973-4400 and 911**

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**ALABAMA
COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

Baldwin	Mobile
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Changes may occur. Contact the operator to discuss their pipeline systems and areas of operation.

IF YOU ARE AN EXCAVATOR OR PLAN TO DIG

People excavating, digging, or grading are the most frequent cause of pipeline damage and failures. Whether you are planning to build a major development or landscape your property, you should protect your safety and the safety of those around your work site by notifying Alabama One Call at 811 before you begin.

When notified in advance by the Alabama One Call Center, W&T Offshore personnel will stake the location of our pipeline. This free service allows you to begin your project with the assurance that your safety will not be compromised and the pipeline will not be damaged.

What if I dig and disturb a pipeline?

If you hit or contact a pipeline in any way, inform W&T Offshore immediately. A gouge, scrape, scratch, dent or crease to a pipe or its coating may cause a future safety problem. It is imperative that W&T Offshore inspect and repair any damage to our pipeline, no matter how minor it may seem.

What safety procedures should I take?

When it comes to the safety of you or anyone else near a pipeline, it is important to know the procedures you should take when someone has damaged a pipeline or when you suspect a gas leak.

If you or anyone else accidentally damages or suspects a gas leak on a W&T Offshore pipeline, follow the procedures below:

- Leave the area immediately and warn others to stay away.
- If you suspect your excavation equipment has struck a pipeline, do not attempt to move the equipment. Shut the equipment off and leave the area.
- Once away from the pipeline, call your local fire or police departments either using their local number or 911.
- Next, call our 24-hour hot line at **251-973-4634** or **251-873-4400**.

The System Control center is made up of a dedicated team trained in emergency situations, who are available 7 days a week, 24-hours a day. They are trained to respond and direct any emergency calls to the proper authorities, gather the most accurate information regarding an incident and dispatch the proper company personnel to the location of the emergency as quickly as possible.

IF YOU ARE A PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIAL

A public safety official must take whatever steps are necessary to safeguard the public in the event of pipeline emergency. The following suggestions are offered as a guide:

- Notify the appropriate pipeline company. If it's a W&T Offshore gas pipeline, call our 24-hour hot line: 251-973-4634 or 251-973-4400. Report the type (leak, rupture, fire) and the location of the emergency.
- Establish a safety zone around the emergency site and control access. This may include evacuating people within the safety zone.
- If gas is not burning, avoid doing anything that may ignite it. Be aware of wind direction and potential ignition sources.
- If gas is burning, control secondary fires, but do not attempt to put out pipeline fires.
- Do not attempt to operate pipeline valves.

While emergency response agencies are doing their part, our pipeline employees will do what needs to be done to protect lives and property.

- They will first protect people from injury by removing all persons from the danger zone. If a fire doesn't

already exist, they will remove any sources of ignition.

- They will help person(s) in distress.
- They will eliminate the natural gas source. If it is possible to do so from the location of the emergency, they will. In many cases, the natural gas must be shut off at a remote location. It's important for you to know that our employees are responsible for operating the valves that isolate the affected facilities.

SIGNS OF A PIPELINE LEAK

Leaks from a pipeline are extremely rare. Year after year the National Transportation Safety Board statistics support the industry's safety record. However, it is important to know how to recognize the signs of a leak if one were to occur in your area.

Call right away if you:

Hear

- A hissing, whistling, or roaring sound

See

- Fire or explosion near or involving the pipeline
- Exposed pipeline, which may have been caused by a natural disaster, such as a flood or hurricane
- Vegetation over or near the pipeline which appears to be dead or dying
- Water bubbling at a creek, pond, river, or any wet area
- Any water source with discoloration or "rainbow" appearance
- Dirt being blown or appearing thrown

Hear

- Rotten eggs - could be H2S
- Petroleum odor - could be natural gas

Steps you should take if you suspect a gas leak:

1. If you suspect a leaking or damaged pipeline, leave the area immediately and warn others to stay away.
2. If you suspect your excavation equipment has struck a pipeline, do not attempt to move the equipment. Shut the equipment off and leave the area.
3. Once away from the pipeline, call your local fire and police department as well as our 24-hour Hotline, **251-473-4634** or **251-973-4400**

What not to do:

DO NOT operate anything that may ignite a gas leak (cellular telephone, lighters, flashlights, vehicle ignition, two-way radios, etc.)

DO NOT go near the area. Keep others away from the site.

DO NOT attempt to shut off any valves or extinguish any fires.

HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H2S)

Hydrogen Sulfide (H2S) is a highly toxic, colorless gas that can be associated with oil and gas production. It is highly corrosive, flammable, heavier than air, and at low concentrations, has the odor of rotten eggs.

H2S enters the body through inhalation, and when enough builds up in the blood stream, the individual becomes poisoned and may lead to death.

CALL BEFORE YOU DIG

Before you begin any project, dial 811 to contact the Alabama One-Call Center. With one call from you, Alabama One Call will notify W&T Offshore and other member facilities when and where you will be digging, so that proper marking can be done.

This service is available to you, free of charge, so that you can proceed safely with any digging, trenching, blasting, excavation, drilling or plowing. Never guess where a pipeline is located.

W&T Offshore maintains a Damage Prevention Program in accordance with state and federal guidelines. The purpose of this program is to prevent damage to our pipelines and facilities from excavation activities, such as digging, trenching, blasting, boring, tunneling, backfilling, or by any other digging activity.

If you ever damage or hit a W&T Offshore gas pipeline, no matter how minor the contact may seem, call W&T Offshore immediately so that we may assess the damage.

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Office of Pipeline Safety has developed the National Pipeline Mapping System (NPMS) to provide information about pipeline operators and their pipelines. For a list of pipeline operators with pipelines in your area and their contact information, go to www.npms.phmsa.dot.gov/.