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**OPERATOR OVERVIEW**

City of Fairfax is a natural gas distribution company serving the communities of Fairfax and Gibbon. Our distribution Lines are Located along State Highway 19, from one mile east of Winthrop (Sibley County) to Fairfax (Renville County) as well as in Fairfax and Gibbon. It to provide safe, reliable and efficient natural gas service to its many customers.

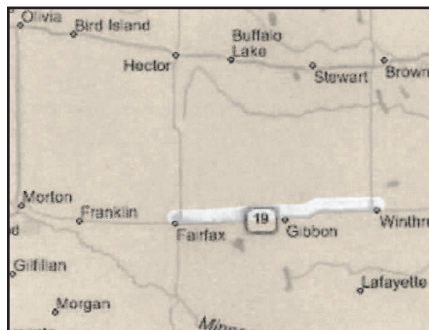


**COMMITMENT TO SAFETY, HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT**

The City of Fairfax is committed to public safety, protection of the environment, and operation of its facilities in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations. The City of Fairfax pipelines fall under the regulatory oversight of the Office of Pipeline Safety in the U.S. Department of Transportation. The company is proud of its safety record and follows many regulations and procedures to monitor and ensure the integrity of its pipelines.

- Visual inspections of Fairfax's pipelines are conducted on a regular basis. Above ground marker signs are displayed along the pipeline to alert the public and contractors to the existence of the pipeline.

- Cathodic protection is a technology designed to protect pipelines from external corrosion through the use of anodes. The anodes are attached to our steel pipelines, which have an external protective coating.
- Fairfax's public education program is designed to prevent third-party damage to its pipelines. Additionally, the company is a member of "Gopher State One Call" program, which is designed to help the public, contractors and others identify the location of pipelines before excavation or digging projects to prevent damage to pipelines and protect the public. The leading cause of pipeline accidents is third-party damage caused by various types of digging and excavation activities.
- Emergency preparedness and planning measures are in place at The City of Fairfax in the event that a pipeline incident occurs. The company also works closely with local emergency response organizations to educate them regarding our pipelines and how to respond in the unlikely event of an emergency. The City of Fairfax has squeeze off tools that are used to shut down gas lines in case of an emergency. The City of Fairfax also receives support from the City of New Ulm during emergencies.



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**PRODUCTS/DOT GUIDEBOOK ID#/GUIDE#:**  
 Natural Gas 1971 115

**MINNESOTA  
 COUNTIES OF OPERATION:**

Renville Sibley

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Pipelines are the most efficient and safest method by which to transport and deliver natural gas and they are inherently safer than other modes of transportation such as rail, barge and truck. While the amount of natural gas being used in the U.S. continues to increase dramatically, the industry's safety performance in recent years was improved significantly and serious accidents are rare. Pipelines help ensure a plentiful supply of natural gas to heat homes and businesses and generate electricity. There are well over one million miles of natural gas and product pipelines in the U.S.

