



# Pacific Gas and Electric Company Former San Rafael Manufactured Gas Plant Nearby Gas Pipeline Repair Work – Fact Sheet November 2013

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## Introduction

In mid-November 2013, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) will conduct a week long excavation project to repair a gas pipeline just south of the San Rafael Corporate Center garage and adjacent to the western sidewalk of Lindero Street. Work is being done to maintain the safety and reliability of the company's natural gas system.

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## What work is planned?

Work will begin on Tuesday, November 12 and end on Monday, November 18, from 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. There is a possibility crews may work on Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> as well.

Repair work will involve excavating soil within a four foot by four foot area to a depth of less than four feet to repair a small valve leak in an underground gas pipeline. Two other small valve leaks will be repaired at this time but do not require any excavation work. Upon completion of repair work, the pipelines will be visually inspected and undergo a variety of tests to verify the safety and integrity of the line.

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## Will there be any off-site impacts?

Work will be conducted in the general vicinity of a former manufactured gas plant (MGP), which operated in the late 1800s and 1900s. Field crews may encounter soils that contain chemical residues from historic gas making operations during soil excavation activities. If crews encounter these soils they will stop operations until additional protective measures can be implemented.

There may be occasional short term odors associated with these soils. These odors are not hazardous and perimeter air will be monitored throughout the entire project to keep odors at or below public health guidelines. PG&E will actively control and mitigate odors using water, foam and a cover over the excavated areas.

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## Who do I call for more information?

Area residents and businesses are encouraged to contact PG&E at the number below with questions, comments or concerns:

- John Promani, Public Affairs, 925.550.9731 or [john@craig-communications.com](mailto:john@craig-communications.com), (24/7)