



Trans-Northern

TNPI INFO

Winter 2023-24

NEW YEAR, NEW PROJECTS! LET US HELP YOU PLAN AHEAD

A new year often brings new plans for outdoor and landscaping projects. Whether it's a DIY project or you'll be working with a contractor, Trans-Northern Pipelines Inc. (TNPI) wants to help you plan for the safe execution of outdoor improvements, and help avoid project delays.

For every pipeline, there is an area called a prescribed area that measures 30 metres outward

on both sides from the centreline of the pipeline. In places where there is more than one pipeline in the right-of-way (ROW), the prescribed area is measured from the outermost pipelines on each side. This prescribed area is established to maintain the safety of the community by preventing contact with buried infrastructure, including pipelines.

Written permission from TNPI is required to perform certain activities within 30 metres, including:



Any activity that digs 30 cm or deeper within the prescribed area (digging, trenching, adding or replacing fencing, tree-planting, grading, etc.);



Operating vehicles or equipment off a road way over the pipeline, including snowmobiles and ATVs, and construction vehicles both large and small; and



Building structures of all kinds including fences and sheds;



Placing or storing items within the prescribed area, including a berm, wood pile or other materials, or even a parked vehicle or RV.

TO AVOID PROJECT DELAYS,

it's important to plan ahead and understand if your project impacts the prescribed area.

STEP 01

Contact Ontario OneCall or InfoExcavation (Quebec) prior to any planned work or crossing to request your free locate of all underground utilities on your property.

STEP 02

Within three days, a TNPI representative will contact you to discuss your proposed work and, if required, meet with you to provide information on how to safely execute your project near the pipeline.

STEP 03

Follow all instructions for safe work around the pipeline, and immediately report any contact with the pipeline to our 24/7 emergency contact line at 1-800-361-0608.

STEP 04

Enjoy the outcomes of your outdoor project, knowing you planned ahead to ensure your safety and that of your community.

NOTIFICATION OF TNPI ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year, you may receive notification from Trans-Northern of planned activities in your area.

In some cases, regular operations and maintenance activities may result in short periods of additional traffic or noise, or the temporary restriction of sidewalk access, and we will want to alert the community of those impacts before we begin any work.

You may also observe TNPI personnel or representatives on the pipeline right-of-way (ROW) to perform work, or simply perform an annual line walk. These line walks are part of TNPI's pipeline monitoring program, allowing us to identify any signs of possible concerns with the pipeline – as well as identify any ROW encroachments that could impact TNPI's ability to respond in the unlikely event of an emergency, or pose a risk to the TNPI pipeline itself.

TNPI will seek to notify you in advance of these activities, and work with impacted landowners and/or residents if access to their property will be required.

Contact information will always be provided on all TNPI notifications to help address any questions or concerns you may have about our activities.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

We all play a role in pipeline safety and damage prevention.

CALL OR CLICK BEFORE YOU DIG OR CROSS



Pipelines are recognized as the safest method of transporting refined petroleum products over long distances. Although pipeline leaks are very rare, it's important to know the signs and what to do if you suspect a leak.

If you suspect a leak due to visible flow or pooling of a petroleum product, an unusual oil stain on land or the appearance of a sheen or bubbles in water, the smell of gasoline or oil, or the appearance of dead or discoloured vegetation on or near the pipeline right-of-way:

- 1 Move to a safe location
- 2 Call 9-1-1
- 3 Then call our Emergency line at **1-800-361-0608** available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

YOUR SAFETY, AND THAT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, ARE TRANS-NORTHERN'S TOP PRIORITY.

DID YOU KNOW...

The Trans-Northern Pipelines web site has resources just for our landowners?

These include an email address (info@tnpi.ca), as well as a landowner survey where you can share your feedback.

Visit for full details

