

Main Street Project Update

Week of April 24th, 2017

For the last week and a half, the WE Energies crew has been moving the placement of the gas line along Main Street over from its current position. In addition to relocating the gas line, they are replacing aging natural gas lines with new piping that is more resistant to corrosion and earth movement, contributing to safe and reliable service. They will replace pipe in the street, sidewalk and, in most instances, to homes and other buildings.



This is the new gas pipeline

The process involves boring along the road right of way with a directional boring unit like the one pictured below on the left. This installation process minimizes surface disruptions that would be caused via a trenching installation.



After the boring is complete, the machine pulls the new pipe through with the help of the rest of the WE Energies crew.



Once the pipeline is in place, work begins on service lines that run from the street to homes. This work requires We Energies to temporarily shut off natural gas service. They will contact affected residents to schedule this work, and will leave a door hanger as a reminder the day before.

If you have an existing gas meter inside your residence, We Energies work with you to determine placement of the new outside meter. The work inside your residence requires that an adult resident be present to give We Energies personnel access to the meter location and to relight pilot lights on any gas appliances once service is restored. This service ensures safety and appliance performance.

We greatly appreciate your patience and cooperation with the WE Energies crew during this process. They have been making every effort to minimize your inconvenience and communicate with affected residents throughout the project. As an example, they have been staging the new pipeline along the middle of Main Street (versus on one side of the street) in order to maintain access to and from driveways for our Village residents who live on both sides of Main St.