



PUGET SOUND ENERGY

**SMELL GAS?  
ACT FAST!**



**DO THE SAFE THING.  
BE SMART AROUND NATURAL GAS**



*Blocked sewer?  
Call PSE before  
you clear!*

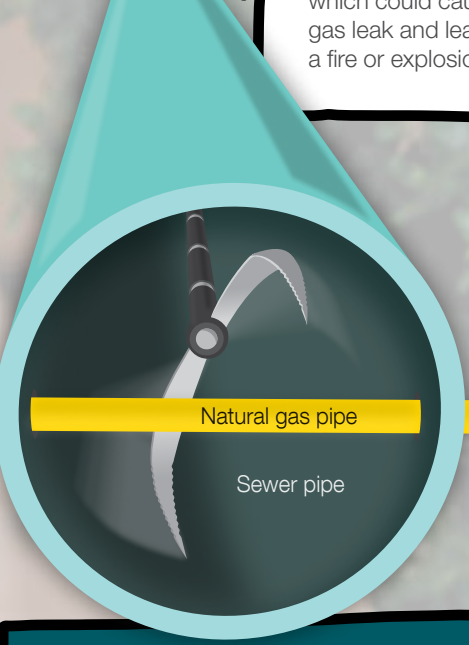
On rare occasions, natural gas lines have been unintentionally installed through sewer and septic lines. They're safe unless cut by a sewer clearing tool, which could cause a gas leak and lead to a fire or explosion.

*How we keep  
our pipes safe*

Our gas travels through miles of pipeline to reach your home. We design and build our system with safety and reliability in mind, making our pipes capable of withstanding pressures five times greater than what they normally carry.



We meet and often exceed all state and federal safety requirements, inspecting all 26,000 miles of our system for leaks at least once every three years.



Don't cause a gas leak. Always call PSE at **1-888-225-5773** to meet your plumber on site before clearing an exterior blockage. We usually respond within an hour, no charge.

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Smell gas?  
Act fast!

A natural gas leak can be dangerous, so if there's even a slight chance of a leak, don't hesitate. Leave the area, then call PSE at **1-888-225-5773** or call **911**. We respond immediately to all potential leaks, free of charge.

# 1 DETECT



## SNIFF

Gas doesn't smell on its own, so we add a sulfur-like rotten egg stench to help you know it's leaking.



## LISTEN

Gas can hiss or even roar as it escapes from pipes.



## LOOK

Gas may make bubbles, blow dirt, and kill plants when it's leaking from underground pipes.

Digging?  
Call 811 first!

Don't cause a gas leak. Call **811** at least two business days before digging to get your pipes located. The day you call doesn't count. There's no charge to locate utility-owned lines.



# 2 LEAVE



Leave the area before doing anything else. If inside, evacuate down the street. Do not use a phone, flip a switch, or do any other thing that may cause a spark.

You're required by law to have all utilities marked before digging on private, public and commercial property. Always call **811** first.

# 3 CALL

Call PSE at  
**1-888-225-5773**  
or call  
**911**



## Earthquakes and natural gas

It's good to know how to turn your gas off at the meter, so that in an earthquake, if you smell or hear gas escaping, you can turn it off. Learn how at [pse.com/gassafety](http://pse.com/gassafety). If you turn it off, don't turn the gas back on yourself. Call PSE so a proper safety inspection can be performed.

Always use a hand tool when digging within 2 feet of buried gas lines. You'll know where they are by the markings or flags left by the locator who responds to your **811** call.