



Planting a tree, building a fence, or even hiding treasure in your backyard can all cause damage to underground pipelines that you cannot see.

**CALL BEFORE YOU DIG. IT'S FREE, AND IT'S THE LAW!**



**If you see someone digging, ask them if they called 811 in order to dig safely.**

**More information on 811 can be found at**

[www.call811.com](http://www.call811.com)



Know what's below.  
Call before you dig.

**SOUTHERN STAR'S EMERGENCY NUMBER: 1-800-324-9696**

1-888-885-6008 publicawareness@sscgp.com

### SMELL

Use your nose. Natural gas can smell like rotten eggs if Mercaptan is added.

If something smells funny, tell an adult.



**USE YOUR SENSES!**

HOW WOULD YOU RECOGNIZE A PIPELINE LEAK?



### SOUND

A quiet hissing sound or a loud roar is what you might hear if there is a gas pipeline leaking.

If you hear any of the above, tell an adult.



### SIGHT

Frost on the ground in the summer, bubbles coming out of the ground, or strange spots of dead plants and grass could all be signs of a possible gas leak. If you see any of the above, tell an adult.

- What to **DO** in the event of a leak:
- Turn off any equipment and eliminate any ignition sources without risking injury.
  - Leave the area by foot immediately. Tell others to leave the area. Stay upwind.
  - Call 911 and the Southern Star Emergency number from a safe location.

What **NOT TO DO** in the event of a leak:

- **DO NOT** cause an ignition source like turning on an electric switch, lighting a match, or ringing a doorbell.
- **DO NOT** touch escaping liquids or gas.
- **DO NOT** drive into a leak or vapor cloud.
- **DO NOT** try to operate pipeline valves.
- **DO NOT** attempt to put out a fire.