PIPELINE QUESTIONS ANSWERED:

EMERGENCY RESPONSE



How do pipeline operators respond to a pipeline incident?

Pipeline operators have extensive emergency response plans which they share with local first responders and practice regularly to be ready for a pipeline incident.

Planning for an Emergency

Pipeline operators prepare extensive emergency response plans reviewed by regulators and shared with local first responders and officials so that if an incident does occur, everyone knows in advance who to call, what to bring and what to do.

Training and Drilling for an Emergency

Pipeline operators regularly train their employees and practice their emergency plans to be ready for a pipeline incident. Operators hold drills simulating an incident and practicing their response. Operators will even practice deploying containment and cleanup equipment to make sure everything is ready to go if needed. The pipeline industry is also funding free, online training for first responders to gain pipeline specific resource training.

Working with Local First Responders

Pipeline operators work with local authorities, first responders, response contractors and other local stakeholders to practice and be ready for a pipeline incident. Operators share their emergency response plans with local officials to ensure a coordinated response to an incident.

Response Equipment at the Ready

Operators station emergency response equipment at points along the pipeline to be available in case of an emergency. Operators also arrange in advance for support personnel and equipment they can call on if needed to respond quickly to an emergency.



Pipeline operators practice deploying equipment to containand cleanup pipeline incidents.



Pipeline operators work with local first responders to practice and be ready for a pipeline incident.