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Dear Neighbor,

Safety is our top priority at Consumers Energy. We're committed to protecting our customers, employees and the environment as we deliver the energy Michigan needs.

That's why we're planning to conduct required safety tests on the Saginaw Trail Pipeline natural gas replacement project in Genesee and Oakland counties.

The hydrostatic test, an industry best practice, will help us verify the recently installed 24-inch pipeline will operate at a safe pressure. We plan to assess the roughly 30-mile stretch of pipeline in three phases (see enclosed map).

Schedule windows are approximate and may change due to factors such as weather.

- **Early August:** A 6-mile section of pipeline from Grange Hall Road to Clarkston Junction in Holly and Rose townships.
- **Late August:** A 14-mile section from Clarkston Junction to Clawson Control in Rose, Highland and Milford townships.
- **Early October:** A 10-mile section from Grand Blanc Junction to Grange Hall Road in Grand Blanc and Holly townships.

Here's what to expect:

- The test involves filling the pipeline with water and slowly pressurizing it.
- No natural gas will be in the pipeline, and no digging or excavation is usually required.
- This testing should not impact you in any way. We do ask you to stay off the right-of-way during the actual 8-hour testing period.
- Water used for the test is taken from an approved source and emptied into a discharge structure, where it's filtered according to environmental requirements and best practices and then released to an approved location.
- Please watch for Consumers Energy employees and our contactors working along the right-of-way to perform the test.

To learn more about the Saginaw Trail Pipeline, please visit [ConsumersEnergy.com/SaginawPipeline](http://ConsumersEnergy.com/SaginawPipeline).

If you have questions, please call 1-800-647-8101 or contact us by email at [saginawpipeline@cmsenergy.com](mailto:saginawpipeline@cmsenergy.com).

Thank you for your patience as we adhere to the highest standards of safe operations.

Sincerely,

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