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CenterPoint Energy to replace natural gas lines in Mankato

Dear Property Owner,

At CenterPoint Energy, we are committed to providing relevant information to our customers and the general public to minimize inconvenience or disruption due to our construction activities.

What will CenterPoint Energy do?

Occurring this November and December, pausing in winter, and resuming in spring 2022, CenterPoint Energy's authorized contractors will work in Mankato along the following streets:

- D Street from Sibley Parkway to Poplar Street
- Poplar Street from D Street to A Street
- B Street and A Street from Poplar Street to Minnesota Street
- Minnesota Street from A Street to Cherry Street
- Entertainment Alley from approximately 300 feet north of Cherry Street

While Michels Corporation will replace the natural gas mains, connect the natural gas service lines to the new mains, and move any inside residential meters outside, Q3 Contracting will restore the areas affected by Michels Corporation's work.

From the week of November 29 to the week of December 20, Michels Corporation will replace the project's gas mains west of Minnesota Street. In spring, they will return to replace the mains on Minnesota Street and Entertainment Alley and to connect the service lines to the new mains. On Poplar Street, A Street, B Street, and D Street, lane, parking, and sidewalk closures may occur. In 2022, the crews may close portions of Minnesota Street and Entertainment Alley. More information will be provided closer to that portion of the project's start date.

This season, Q3 Contracting will put down winter erosion control on the areas affected by Michels Corporation's work. The hard surfaces will have temporary asphalt, including those that were previously concrete. In spring 2022, the crews will restore them to their original condition. On any excavations in boulevards and lawns, they will backfill with dirt and place netting over these areas. In spring 2022, they will return with black dirt and seed.

What is CenterPoint Energy's COVID-19 protocol?

The construction crews and personnel will continue to use the Covid-19 Customer Permission Flyer, which requests customer permission prior to entering homes. Personnel, contractors and CenterPoint Energy employees will continue to practice CDC guidelines regarding social distancing, sanitary practices and wearing face masks when entering customer homes.



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What should I expect during permanent soft surface restoration in 2022?

On the soft surfaces such as boulevards and lawns, various erosion control measures keep the restored area moist, hold seed in the soil, and enhance seed germination. If an erosion blanket is needed it is secured in place with staples. The mesh is a wood fiber that will completely degrade. Prior to mowing the restored area, remove any loose staples that secured the blanket. For photo examples, please visit our Restoration Practices page.

How can I contact CenterPoint Energy?

For more information or to sign up for updates, please visit CenterPointEnergy.com/Construction, click on "Project Sites" and "Minneapolis." Look for future communications via mailings or a door tag left by the CenterPoint Energy inspector. We appreciate your patience as we continue to upgrade our natural gas system, ensuring system reliability for years to come.

