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CenterPoint Energy to replace natural gas lines in Minnetonka

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?

From the week of May 24 to mid-summer 2021, CenterPoint Energy's authorized contractors will work in Minnetonka along County Road 101 at the following streets: from Excelsior Boulevard to just north of Highway 7; at Bennett Family Park; and at Minnetonka Boulevard.

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

What are the traffic impacts?

For most of the project's duration, lane, sidewalk and parking closures may occur. Below are the project's traffic details that may occur in segments rather than all at once:

- The crews will close the frontage road on the west side of County Road 101 from Seven Hills Drive to Highway 7. CenterPoint Energy will coordinate with the local businesses.
- The crews will close the right turn lane from northbound County Road 101 to eastbound Seven Hills Drive.
- During the lane closure of southbound County Road 101 at Highway 7, trucks cannot turn right onto westbound Highway 7. They should use an alternate route.
- When the crews cross Highway 7 and County Road 101, a detour route will lead drivers east on County Road 7, south on Interstate 494 and west on 62nd Street W. toward County Road 101.

What is CenterPoint Energy's COVID-19 policy?

According to the Governor of Minnesota's order, gas main replacement is an essential work function. This allows for the modernization of related gas facilities. The gas main work requires excavations in various locations in the right-of-way (front yard) to facilitate the installation work.

As social distancing practices and proper use of PPE, face masks and gloves have become normalized and as customers are willing to allow properly protected personnel into their homes to complete required work to modernize gas facilities, which is essential work, CenterPoint Energy authorized contractors will enter customer homes to complete work only with customer permission.

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The purpose of this letter is to advise that with customer permission, crews will now enter homes to complete necessary gas meter work. If you choose not to allow crews to enter your home, gas service will not be interrupted, and we will reschedule for a time better suited to concerns you may have. Crews will continue to replace service lines. Crews may have to dig in the ground on your property in the utility easement and next to your home to complete the task of service line replacement.

How can I contact CenterPoint Energy? For more information or to sign up for updates, please visit [CenterPointEnergy.com/Construction](https://www.CenterPointEnergy.com/Construction), click on “Project Sites” and “Minnetonka.” 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.

