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Columbia Gas to upgrade gas lines in Cambridge

Columbia Gas is starting a gas line replacement project in Cambridge. Work is scheduled to begin in September installing 4600 feet of natural gas lines. (See project area map below).

All impacted customers have been notified.

What will this mean for residents?

- Columbia Gas contractor, NPL, will work street by street to install new main lines first and then service lines up to each customer's home or building.
- Gas service will not be impacted until it is time to connect each customer to the new gas system at their meter. For most customers, gas service will be interrupted for approximately two to four hours. Customers will get advance notice of this service interruption.
- Any surface that has to be disturbed will be repaired. This includes sidewalks, driveways, lawns and landscaping.

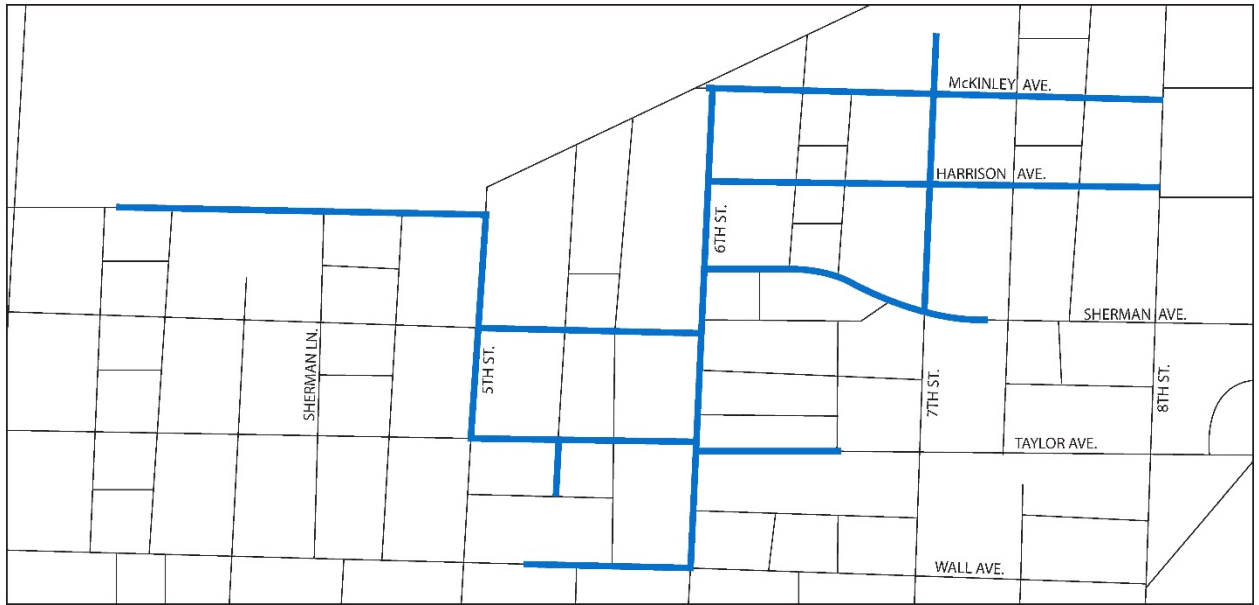
Upon completion, customers will have a fully modernized gas system with added safety features, such as:

- Excess flow valves (EFV): Customer service lines will have EFVs which are designed to restrict the flow of natural gas if a service line is damaged or broken.
- Exterior meters: Customers with indoor meters will have their meters relocated to the exterior to help first responders locate and shut off gas in an emergency.
- Plastic pipe: This specially designed plastic pipe, which has a longer shelf life and requires less maintenance, replaces bare steel and cast iron piping.

Columbia Gas has invested more than \$1.5 billion in communities around the state to replace aging gas lines over the last decade. This is paying off in safety with leaks being reduced by 50 percent.

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Visit ColumbiaGasOhio.com/Replacement for more information on the construction process.



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