Transmission Pipeline Notification Ordinance

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Cooperative County Plan Intro

- Created in June of 2008
- Unites five townships, 16 cities, and other areas of unincorporated Salt Lake County
- Develop and provide the tools to aid local jurisdictions and unite land use planning within Salt Lake County
Forging Local Relationships

- Identified stakeholders
- Door to door to visit municipal planning departments
- Engaged the Council of Governments
- Involved regional agencies to participate (MPO, UTA, UDOT)
- Facilitate regular meetings
- Encourage participation of all stakeholders
Pipeline Awareness

On the wake of the BP Oil Spill, the Red Butte Oil Spill rose public awareness of local oil and gas transmission pipelines.
Awareness

Potential Ordinance Discussion with Cooperative County Plan Members
Research & Education

Pipeline Association for Public Awareness

http://www.pipelineawareness.org/

US Department of Transportation PHMSA Website
http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/

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• The PIPA Report is a great resource that includes recommended practices and design guidelines

• NPMS Map Viewer is another resourceful tool and is available to everyone

• NPMS will provide GIS data to municipalities
Findings

- the United States economy is heavily dependent on oil and gas transmission pipelines to transport and distribute energy and raw materials; and
- oil and gas pipelines extend through portions of unincorporated Salt Lake County; and
- these pipelines, if ruptured or damaged, may pose a risk to public safety and/or the environment; and
- new development in proximity to pipelines may pose public safety and/or environmental risks; and
- Salt Lake County wishes to minimize the risk of rupturing or damaging these pipelines; and
- desires to amend the Salt Lake County Code of Ordinances by adopting a regulation intended to reduce the likelihood of accidental damage to the oil and gas transmission pipelines;
Set out to:

1. Notify applicants of a transmission pipeline within close proximity to a proposed development.
2. Require the applicant to notify pipeline operators.
3. Provide the pipeline operators the opportunity to give input.
4. Establish a Pipeline Protection Map to facilitate the notification.
5. Establish a map amendment process.
Ordinance Review

- Salt Lake County Planning Staff
- Cooperative County Plan
- Salt Lake County Council of Governments
- Salt Lake County District Attorney’s Office
Next Steps

• Final review by staff
• County Council review
• County Council approval and adoption
• Incorporate the Pipeline Protection MAP as a GIS layer
• Establish the policy for notification with staff
• For more info, visit:

http://cooperativeplan.slco.org/