Pipeline Franchise Ordinance

• The Ordinance applies to pipelines in Contra Costa County right of way

• The Ordinance establishes procedures and requirements for pipeline companies to use County right of way

• The Ordinance is for unincorporated County. Cities have their own ordinance and/or policy for pipelines in their jurisdiction
County Franchises

- Administered by the Public Works Department

- Includes the following types of pipeline companies:
  - Oil and gas
  - Water
  - Electric
Ordinance Process

• Last updated in 2013

• Public hearing at a Board of Supervisors meeting

• As franchises expire companies are required to enter into a new franchise agreement under the 2013 Ordinance
The Ordinance sets the terms pipeline companies must follow and documents that are required:

- Maps
- Emergency Plan
- Insurance Certificate
- Bond
- Annual franchise fee

Outlines procedures for pipeline relocation, removal and abandonment
County Public Works Role

• Ensure pipeline companies follow the requirements of the franchise ordinance

• Work with pipeline companies to address encroachments on County property over pipelines

• Public Works does not have regulatory authority
  • Office of the State Fire Marshal oversees intrastate hazardous liquid pipelines
  • California Public Utilities Commission oversees water companies and PG&E

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