On-Site Meeting Survey

Thank you for taking the time to fill out our survey about on-site meetings with farmers.

**PLEASE NOTE: The questions in this survey are specific to farming. Do not include answers about any other excavator.**

1. Which company do you work for?
   
   ___ Kinder Morgan  
   ___ PG&E  
   ___ Phillips 66  
   ___ SMUD  
   ___ SoCalGas  
   ___ Other

2. If you chose “Other,” please name the company you work for.

3. In which counties, do you primarily work with farmers?
   
   (circle all that apply)

   Alameda  
   Amador  
   Butte  
   Calaveras  
   Colusa  
   Contra Costa  
   Del Norte  
   El Dorado  
   Fresno  
   Glenn  
   Humboldt  
   Imperial  
   Inyo  
   Kern  
   Kings  
   Lake  
   Lassen  
   Los Angeles  
   Marin  
   Mariposa  
   Mendocino  
   Merced  
   Modoc  
   Mono  
   Monterey  
   Napa  
   Nevada  
   Orange  
   Placer  
   Plumas  
   Riverside  
   Sacramento  
   San Benito  
   San  
   Bernardino  
   San Diego  
   San Joaquin  
   San Luis  
   Obispo  
   San Mateo  
   Santa  
   Barbara  
   Santa Clara  
   Santa Cruz  
   Shasta  
   Sierra  
   Siskiyou  
   Solano  
   Sonoma  
   Stanislaus  
   Sutter  
   Tehama  
   Trinity  
   Tulare  
   Tuolumne  
   Ventura  
   Yolo  
   Yuba
4. Do the farmers you encounter generally understand how to operate safely around your infrastructure before the on-site meeting?

___ Always
___ Sometimes
___ Rarely
___ Never

5. Please explain:

6. Who do you send to an on-site meeting with the farmer?

___ Line Locator
___ Company representatives who are dispatched from a hub location, like San Francisco, Los Angeles or Out of State.
___ Company representatives who cover specific regions where farmers operate, like the Central Valley
___ Contractor
___ Other

7. If you chose “Other,” please explain:

8. Do you send the same person to meet with the same farmer every time? (Y/N)

9. Please explain:
10. How often does a company representative hold an on-site meeting with each farmer? (check all that apply)
   ___ Weekly
   ___ Monthly
   ___ Bi-Monthly
   ___ Every 6 Months
   ___ Yearly
   ___ Only for a new USA Ticket
   ___ Only for a refreshed USA Ticket

11. Do your representatives use a standard form or checklist during the on-site meeting? (Y/N)
    (If you answer no, please skip to question 17)

12. Is your standard form applicable for all on-site meetings, or do you have one that is Ag-specific? Please explain:

13. What is included on the form? (check all that apply)
    ___ USA Ticket Number
    ___ Work Start & End Date
    ___ Address and/or GPS Coordinates of Work Site
    ___ Type of Underground Facility
    ___ Map of Underground Lines
    ___ Lines were properly marked
    ___ Operator policies & procedures
    ___ Operator contact information

14. Is there anything else you recall from the form that we did not mention?

15. Once the form is filled out, do you have the farmer sign it? (Y/N)
    Please explain:
16. Does the farmer get a copy for their records? Either a hard copy or an email. (Y/N) Please explain:

17. If your representative does not provide a standard form or checklist, please explain how your company makes sure the information given during an on-site meeting is consistent.
18. What types of equipment cause you concern when operated around or over your infrastructure? (circle all that apply)

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19. If you chose “other,” please explain:
20. What is your company’s reason for concern over certain types of equipment?

21. How do you verify that depths are sufficient for the farm equipment you allow over the pipeline? (Choose all that apply)
   ___ Records
   ___ Locating Equipment
   ___ Farmer Pothole
   ___ Operator Pothole
   ___ Other

22. If you answered “Other,” please explain:

23. Do farmers ask to know the depth of the infrastructure? (Y/N)

24. If yes, how do you respond?
   ___ Tell approximate depth
   ___ Explain why you cannot tell the farmer the depth
   ___ Other

25. If you chose “Other,” please explain:
26. Do your representatives have discretion in working with the farmer in determining safe operation? (Y/N)
   Please explain:

27. Do your representatives ever have disagreements with farmers over what the farmer can do? (Y/N)

28. If yes, please explain what the disagreement is over:

29. How often do disagreements happen?

   ___ Regularly
   ___ Occasionally
   ___ Rarely

30. How are disagreements with the farmer recorded or resolved?
31. Do you walk away from the on-site meetings with confidence that the farmers will operate safely? (Y/N)

32. If no, please explain:

33. Do you have Ag-specific procedures for your right-of-way patrols to connect with field representatives to intercept a farmer working near your infrastructure without a valid USA Ticket? (Y/N)
   Please explain:
34. Is there anything else you would like to add?

Optional: Please provide your contact information below.

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When completed, please mail this survey to the Dig Safe Board at the Address below:

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