



Frequently Asked Questions About Our Distribution Line Inspections

What are Distribution Line Inspections?

CMP is undertaking a series of line projects — known as Distribution Line Inspections — replacing poles and cross arms, line transfers, and correcting any deficiencies in the lines.

What is the purpose of these projects?

These inspections and replacements will be to help improve the structural integrity, capacity, and reliability of CMP's distribution system, and will also help CMP to address regulatory requirements.

What hours during day/night are you working?

Work hours are determined by City or Town ordinance, and construction activities will be scheduled during daylight hours, considering the character of the surrounding neighborhood.

How will CMP communicate to their customers throughout the construction process?

A notification letter along with this FAQ will be sent to the appropriate Town or City administration.

What can we expect during construction?

New distribution poles will be installed old poles will be removed once telephone and cable companies have completed their transfers.

What kind of construction equipment will be involved in these projects?

The type and number of trucks and equipment that will be brought on-site during any part of this initiative will depend on the type of work being undertaken. This equipment may include digger trucks, bucket trucks, and other vehicles.

How many people will be working here?

It will vary depending on the type of work being conducted at the time and will consist of only those personnel associated with the job at hand. COVID-19 mandates will be adhered too on these sites.

What is CMP doing to protect neighboring property owners?

CMP and its contractors will do everything possible to minimize property impact. In the rare cases where our work could impact abutting properties, property owners will be contacted, and existing conditions will be documented in advance of construction.

Will you be cutting down trees?

CMP has a responsibility to protect its distribution system from trees and vegetation that could pose a threat to it due to natural encroachment or during storms. CMP and its contractors follow established vegetation management. Should the need arise to trim or remove trees on abutting properties to protect the distribution system or access the work location, we will notify those property owners and work with them on an individual basis.

Will there be power outages during construction?

We do not anticipate that customers will experience any extended power outages because of construction. A member of a crew will notify home homers if this need arises.

Will you need to expand any rights of way?

There are currently no plans to expand the right of ways. All easements have been resolved with homeowners prior to construction.

Will I have access to my driveway and/or business?

Yes. We do not anticipate that any businesses or residences will be affected by any restricted or blocked access during construction. If obstructions do occur, they will be on a limited basis and be coordinated by the construction crews.

If I live along the project route, how long can I expect to have construction in my backyard, or adjacent to my property?

Each construction site will have specific details appropriate for the work in the area. The work will progress as quickly as possible given the scheduling and site-specific parameters.

Will there be stockpiles of dirt and construction debris along the route?

Although unlikely, materials excavated along the route will be loaded directly into trucks and removed from the sites on a nightly basis.

How will the work zones be left at the end of the day?

Each work area will be maintained throughout the project to minimize dust and keep communities clean. All trash will be removed daily.

How will this impact my rates?

These projects are part of CMP's overall ongoing capital infrastructure plan. Capital projects such as these are part of CMP's routine work to maintain and improve its electrical system and are incorporated into the existing rate structure.

Municipality Owned Street Lights?

Municipalities that own their street lights will be charged for the transfer of that light to the new pole if applicable. Further details can be obtained through your town office.



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