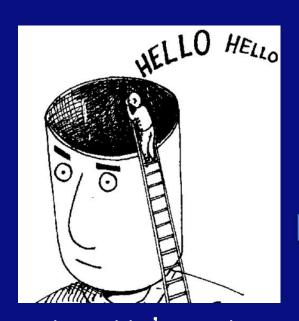
# Public Awareness Workshop Sponsored by PHMSA Dallas, Texas June 19 & 20, 2013

One Public Perspective
Presented by Carl Weimer



Who is the public? America Needs eystone Pipelin 618,428 United Voices opposed to Keystone XL pipeline **eer** IS "GAME OVER" Your Land MATE & COMMUNITIES

### The Public's Pipeline Awareness



The Public's Pipeline Awareness 2003



The Public's Pipeline Awareness 2013



### A really big effort to date



Need for continuous improvement

We appreciate everyone's efforts to date to get this huge program going. All of my comments are meant to help us all work better together to make pipelines safer and to help rebuild trust in the safety of this country's pipeline network

### First Indication there was a need for Public Awareness

"We had no idea there was a pipeline running through the park"



### Indications there is still more work to do on Public Awareness

"We had no idea"

Marshall, MI - 2010

San Bruno, CA - 2010

Salt Lake City, UT - 2010

Mayflower, AR - 2013



### What Are The Main Messages Required by RP 1162?

#### **Baseline Messages:**

- Pipeline purpose and reliability
- Awareness of hazards and prevention measures undertaken
- Damage prevention awareness & One-call requirements
- Leak recognition and response
- Pipeline location information
- How to get additional information
- Availability of list of pipeline operators through NPMS

### Some problems with many public awareness efforts under RP 1162

- Unnecessary messages
- Conflicting or mixed messages
- Lack of specifics or targeted message
- Unclear why message is being delivered
- One way communication
- Conflict between risk communication and willingness to admit there is a risk
- Lack of effective measurement
- Incorrect information

### Pipeline purpose and reliability

Current info mailed



"Energy products are an integral part of our daily life. They enable us to drive cars, manufacture products like medicines and plastics, cook dinner and cool or heat our homes. Pipelines are the safest way to transport energy products like natural gas, crude oil and other fuels.

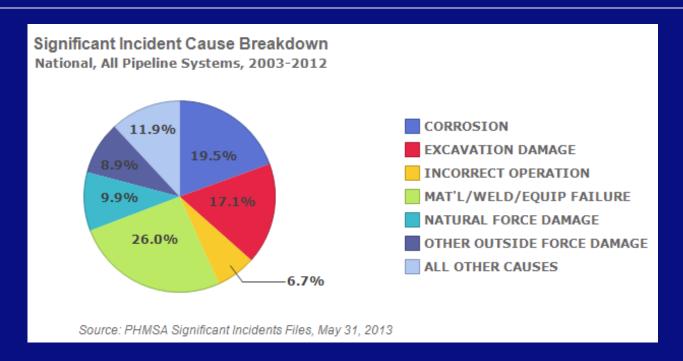
According to government and industry statistics, the most common cause of pipeline incidents is improper or unauthorized digging near a pipeline."

### Pipeline purpose and reliability

An Alternative view

#### What about?

On average, every 31 hours in this country there is a significant pipeline incident, and every 5 days a person is killed or injured because of such an incident



# Fear of mentioning hazard and pipeline in the same sentence & Not very compelling messages

### Pipelines... Your Quiet Neighbor

There are more than 200,000 miles of liquid petroleum pipeline and 300,000 miles of natural gas pipelines in the United States.

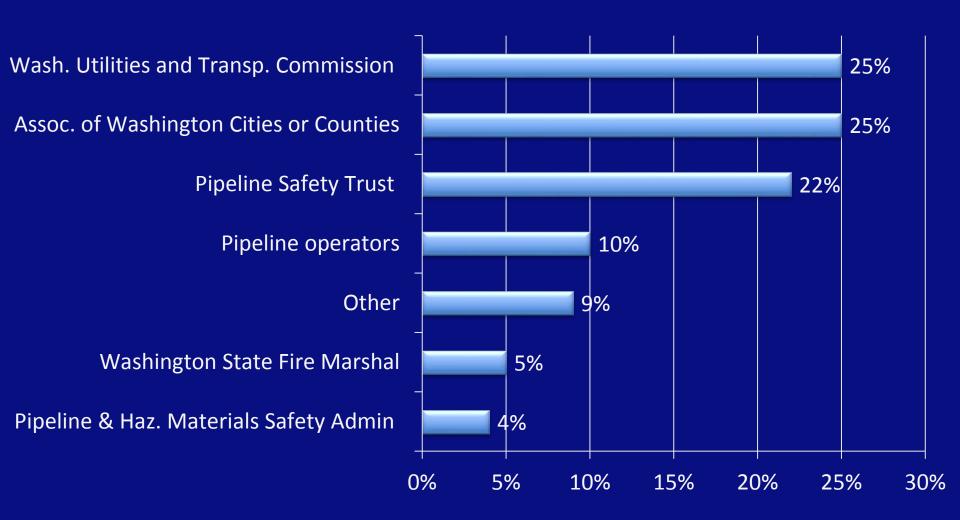
According to National Transportation Safety Board statistics, pipelines are the safest method for transporting these products.

Pipelines have a safety record unparalleled by any other mode of transporting energy products. A greater risk to the environment and the general public exists when these products are transported by other methods.





#### Could the messenger be a problem?



Regulators often nowhere to be found

### Lack of Specific Audience

#### Audiences Targeted by RP 1162

- Affected public
- Emergency officials
- Local public officials
- Excavators

### Messages not targeted at specific audience

Example - Messages for "local public officials" are basically the same as for the general public. Wouldn't it be better to communicate what we really want from them

- Inclusion of damage prevention materials at the time permits are granted
- Proof of the use of One Call during compliance checks on excavation permits
- Consideration of the PIPA recommended practices
- Requirement and budget for local emergency responders to get pipeline response training
- Reduction in the number of damages caused by local government employees or contractors

#### Generic vs. Specific

- "Pipelines have ..."
- "Most pipelines are made of ..."
- "Some pipelines contain automatic shut-off valves"
- "Most pipelines are monitored 24 hours a day"
- "If a pipeline operator has High Consequence Areas, information about these plans may be available"
- "Many pipeline companies regularly inspect ..."

People would be more likely to pay attention to specifics about the actual pipeline in their neighborhood

#### Unclear why message is being received

**Onyx Pipeline Company** 

Oxy Bravo Pipeline

Panther Pipeline, LTD

Peak Gas Gathering, LP

**Pecan Pipeline Company** 

Petrohawk Operating Company

Pinnacle Gas Treating Inc. -

A Subsidiary of Anadarko Petroleum Corporation

**Pioneer Natural Resources** 

Plains Pipeline, L.P.

**PPG** Industries

QuickSilver Resources, Inc.

Regency Gas Services

Royal Production Company, Inc.

Sabine Valley Pipeline

San Felipe Pipeline L.P.

Seaway

Shell Western Exploration & Production

Solutia, Inc.

Southern Star Central Gas Pipeline, Inc.

Southwestern Public service Company - Xcel Energy

Springfield Pipeline

**TE Products Pipeline** 

TEPPCO - Crude

TEPSCO L.P.

Texas Gas Service Company, A Division of ONEOK, Inc.

Texas Municipal Power Agency

TGG Pipeline, LTD. / TALCO Midstream Assets, LTD.

TransMontaigne Product Services Inc.

TXOK Texas Energy Resources, LP

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### Good Public Awareness = Good Communications

A key part of effective communication is good listening.



One way communication will not create better understanding, resolve differences, or build trust.

Current efforts are too often one way communication

### Conflicts between message and reality

Damage prevention & One-call requirements "When you call 811, a local One-Call center representative will notify pipeline operators regarding your excavation project. Operators will come out to locate and mark the location of their lines."

In Pennsylvania last year 10,000 new miles of pipelines were installed. 9,200 of those miles were unregulated gathering lines that are not required to be a part of the One Call system.

#### Poor measures of effectiveness

Based on the information in this bro- please answer the following:	chure,		
1. Was the information in the brochure helpful?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
<ol><li>Do you know how to recognize a pipeline right-of-way?</li></ol>	Yes 🗆	No □	
3. Do you know what to do in the event of a pipeline emergency?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
<ol> <li>Have we been a good neighbor during the time you have been a resident at this propert</li> </ol>	y? Yes□	No 🗆	
5. Has the location of our pipeline or operations caused you concern or difficulties?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
If yes, which company specifically?			
Have pipeline crews notified you prior to entry when work has been done on or near your property?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
If yes, which company specifically?			
7. Have you ever used your state's One-Call system for Call Before You Dig?	Yes 🗆	No 🗆	
If yes, were you satisfied with the service?			

## Are there baseline awareness numbers to measure against, and have messages that get the biggest bang for the buck been tested?

#### Instead of

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Transportation Safety
Board statistics, pipelines are
the safest method for
transporting these products.
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unparalleled by any other
mode of transporting energy
products.

#### What about?

On average every day and a half in this country there is a significant pipeline incident, and every 5 or 6 days a person is killed or injured because of such an incident

### The Goal Needs To Be Behavior Change

There is growing evidence from many different awareness programs that just increasing awareness does not necessarily increase a change in the desired behavior.

Example - People may be able to identify 811 as the One Call number, but that doesn't mean they will call it.

Programs needs to stay focused on the tougher job of changing behavior

### The measure of effectiveness needs to include behavior change

 While quantitative measures, such as the number of brochures mailed, tell us something

 Clear behavior change metrics need to be developed for each target audience to truly determine if these millions of dollars are being spent effectively

### Example of behavior change measures

### Affected Landowner & Excavators

- Does One Call usage increase after a mailing?
- Does damage to pipelines decrease?
- Does excavator attendance at trainings increase?
- Are there more hits to NPMS website for area after mailing?
- Do calls to operators increase?

#### **Public Officials**

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#### Flaws in Development of RP 1162

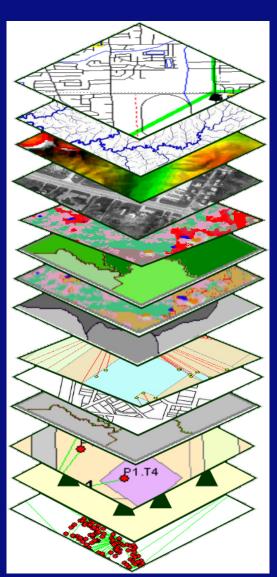
- Identified target audiences were not included as voting members for development of the practice to communicate to them.
- API has no expertise in this area
- Referenced studies, reports, experts were never provided

### Additional Information the Public would like

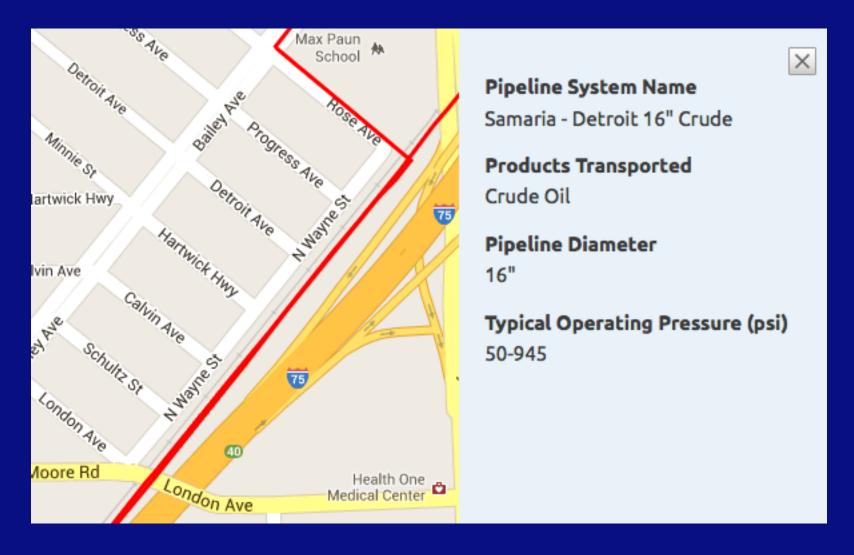
- Pipeline location
- Pipeline attributes (contents, diameter, pressure, wall thickness, depth of cover, year installed)
- Incident data
- Inspection data
- Enforcement data
- Ownership data pipelines operated, years, OP IDs
- Class area for natural gas pipelines, HCA info for all
- Health Related Data general risks, monitoring data after a release

### Communication made easy through GIS

Most all of these measurables could be incorporated into a GIS system that would allow the public to click on a pipeline in their neighborhood and learn all about it.



### Some companies are already getting there – Thanks!



### Thank You!



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