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PHMSA Involvement **in** **Land Use Planning**



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Why Are We Here?

- **Pipelines supply critical energy products**
 - New pipelines are needed to supply increasing demands
- **Communities are growing**
 - Community growth results in increased encroachments on pipelines
 - Some states promote growth in populated areas to reduce urban sprawl, increasing the population density near pipelines



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Why Are We Here?

- **We are here to**
 - Promote needed dialogue
 - Identify proven practices
 - And develop usable risk-informed guidance
 - For use in planning future developments near pipelines
- **We need risk-informed planning to protect people and to protect the pipelines**



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Why Are We Taking This Approach?

- **PHMSA has good experience in fostering collaborative approaches to address difficult issues**
 - Risk Assessment Quality Teams
 - Common Ground Study
- **PHMSA's Strategic Plan for 2007-2011**
 - “An Enterprise Approach to Achieving Safety”
- **Collaborative involvement of affected stakeholders provides rich input and acceptable results**



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What Drives Our Activities?

- **Previous studies**
 - TRB 219
 - TRB 281
- **Congressional mandates**
 - PSIA 2002
- **PHMSA's Strategic Goals**



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What Has Already Been Done?

- **PHMSA**
 - Commissioned TRB study to help frame the issue.
 - Continues to support the CGA
 - Established the Stakeholder Communications website
 - Issued new rules for pipeline operator public awareness programs
 - Initiated PIPA



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PIPA Can Get the Job Done!

- **Through our collaborative efforts we can identify and establish baseline Best Practices aimed at:**
 - Protecting Communities
 - Protecting Pipelines
 - Communicating the associated risks and benefits
- **We have the opportunity to make a difference**



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- **Special Thanks to the Pipeline Safety Trust for getting the ball rolling in New Orleans and for helping to keep pipeline safety in the forefront for all stakeholders.**