



MARCH 2025 NEWSLETTER

Ste. Anne Natural Gas Co-op Ltd.

April Dig Safe Month

With the arrival of spring comes an increase in warm weather outdoor projects that may involve ground disturbance. From planting a tree, building a new fence, building a beautiful greenhouse, or putting pipe or cables in the ground, we must be accountable to ourselves and each other to do these activities safely.

Whether you are planning on doing it yourself or hiring a professional, smart, safe digging means you **MUST submit a locate request through Utility Safety Partners. Requests must be made at least 3-full days prior to starting ANY ground disturbance.** You must have ALL utilities marked or cleared **BEFORE** you start with any project that involves ground disturbance.

[This service is offered FREE of charge and allows you to submit a locate request 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.](#) Please remember that Spring and Fall are busy dig seasons, and it may take longer to respond so contact Utility Safety Partners early!

Any damage to a buried line can range from loss of service to you or your neighbors to serious injuries or fatalities. The financial cost of repairing any damage to a buried utility will be borne by you the landowner.

Before you disturb the ground for any reason: **KNOW WHAT'S BELOW!**

WWW.UTILITYSAFETY.CA

Updating Contact Information

Just a friendly reminder to contact our office to ensure your contact information on your account is up-to-date! You can call in with phone numbers, emails, and mailing addresses any time to ensure that incase we need to get ahold of you we can!

Carbon Tax

The current price of \$80 per tonne (of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions) for heating fuels will increase April 1, 2025 to \$95 per tonne.

This means the **Carbon Tax will increase to 4.863/GJ on April 1, 2025.**

Natural Gas Utilities are required by legislation to charge these rates as per the federal Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act. All fees charged under this Act are remitted directly to Canada Revenue Agency.

For more information and inquires on the Federal Fuel Charge, please visit:

www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/excise-taxes-duties-levies/fuel-charge.html



SCEF Update

CONGRATULATIONS to our 3rd Annual Community Competition winners:

Entwistle Community League \$20,000 for their community art project & exterior upgrade for the Entwistle Hall as they want to attract and encourage the young artists of their community to feel valued and renew the spirit of the community.

Onoway and District Heritage Society \$5,000 to help fix the stage that is in need of repairs to host Heritage Days.

Other local organizations received funding over the last 6 months: ABC Playschool, Rich Valley Ag Society, Rich Valley School Enhancement Society, Onoway Library, Waves fishing derby, Lake Isle Farmers Association, Stanger Recreation Society and Darwell School.

Thank you to SANG members, your small contributions make a BIG difference!