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PIPELINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT IS STARTING ON RIO BRAVO WORK WILL BE ONGOING THROUGH SEPTEMBER

ALBUQUERQUE – New Mexico Gas Company is kicking off a pipeline construction project along Rio Bravo Boulevard, a job that is expected to be completed by mid-September to maintain the safety and reliability of our transmission system.

NMGC's pipeline is currently located on the Rio Bravo Bridge, which the New Mexico Department of Transportation is planning to replace later this year. In anticipation of NMDOT's bridge reconstruction, NMGC is replacing its pipeline on the bridge with a new underground pipeline.

Our work begins July 7 on Rio Bravo between Second Street and Isleta Boulevard Southwest. Temporary lane restrictions may be required as the project moves ahead and, if so, NMGC will share information in advance.

Motorists driving near the construction zones are asked to slow down and watch for personnel, trucks and heavy equipment. New Mexico Gas Company thanks you for your patience as we make investments in the safety and reliability of our system.

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About New Mexico Gas Company

As the largest natural gas distribution utility in the state, New Mexico Gas Company (<u>www.nmgco.com</u>) provides service to more than 550,000 homes and businesses throughout New Mexico. The Company has about 740 employees in 26 offices, who are responsible for safely and reliably operating more than 12,000 miles of pipelines.