

# HBACA Safety Committee January 2020 Tool Box Talk #3

## Live Gas Risers at Pre-slab

**Does the home you are working on have Early Gas Lines?**

**Here is how to identify if Gas Lines are installed!**



No Gas Line installed  
(Sleeve Only)



Gas Line &  
Sleeve Installed



Gas Clearance  
Zone

*Use Caution around all Gas Lines*

*Pay attention to your surroundings*

*Ensure equipment does not damage the Protective Barrier, Sleeve or Lines*

### It smells bad for a reason.

In its untouched state, natural gas is actually odorless. For safety reasons, Southwest Gas injects an element called mercaptan, which emits an odor similar to sulfur or rotten eggs. Here's the simple rule...If you smell rotten eggs, leave the area, then call us for help, whether you have natural gas at your home or business or not.

#### HOW TO IDENTIFY A LEAK



##### SMELL

Smell a distinct sulfur-like odor, similar to rotten eggs, even if it's faint or momentary.



##### HEAR

Hear a hissing or roaring coming from the ground, aboveground piping, or a natural gas appliance.



##### SEE

See dirt or water blowing into the air, unexplained dead or dying plants or grass, or standing water continuously bubbling.

