LOCATE & PROTECT GAS MAIN OR PIPING

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| **PCBU Address:** Lot 3, Redlynch Connector Road, Redlynch 4870**Job Title:** **Site Address:**  | **Date:** **Page:** 1 of 2 **SWMS No:** 20 | **New****Revised** |
| **Principal:**  | **Supervisor:** Ian Loccisano | **Approved by:** Ian Loccisano |
| **Required Personal Protective Equipment:** Safety boots, high visibility vest or shirt |
| **TASK** | **POTENTIAL HAZARDS** | **ACTION OR PROCEDURE** | **RESPONSIBILITY** |
| Location of service - general | Failure to detect all services | Refer to service authority drawings | Locator/supervisor |
| Visual survey to locate valves, meters, sunken trenches and patched road crossings | Locator |
| Electronic detection (ferrous) | Failure to detect all services | Initial detection by direct coupling with metroclamp or jumper lead. If unable to detect past joints use passive method (blind search), parallel pattern electronic | Locator |
| Location by machine | Disruption of service | If electronic detection fails or non-metallic pipes present, carefully scrape ground with backhoe bucket fitted with cutting edge. Scraping should be parallel to direction of pipe and spotter used | Supervisor |
| Marking of service | Failure to relocate | Service to be staked and flagged with blue tape or blue paint. Workers to be shown service locations. Plot on plan if required | Locator |
| **TASK** | **POTENTIAL HAZARDS** | **ACTION OR PROCEDURE** | **RESPONSIBILITY** |
| Potholing | Disruption of service | Care to be adopted in using crowbar to avoid pipe damage. Dig all around pipe to confirm type and size | Crew |
| Falling into pothole | Barricade pothole or backfill with sand until work commences | Crew |
| All related activities | All hazards | Daily periodical monitoring of activity | Supervisor |

Risk assessment based on all procedures being in place

**Risk Assessment Matrix**



**Likelihood:** Very unlikely **Consequences:** Minor **Risk score:** 7