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Snohomish County Fire District 7 Responds to Gas Main Break

Clearview, Wash. – Snohomish County Fire District 7 was dispatched to assist Puget Sound Energy (PSE) crews at a gas main break in the 3900 block of 228th St. SE just before 11:30 a.m. on December 8. A 2 inch gas main was punctured while construction crews were working in the area.

Crews were requested to standby while a PSE crew made entry into a trench to secure the punctured gas main. The trench was approximately 10 feet deep and 5 feet wide by 15 feet long. Fire crews staffed a precautionary hose line to protect the PSE crew making entry into the trench. A member of the trench rescue team also stood by equipped with rescue tools prepared to enter the trench if necessary. Once the leak was secured by PSE Fire District 7 crews cleared the scene.

Fire District 7 and PSE would like to remind citizens that when getting ready to dig, make sure to call 811 — the free “Call Before You Dig” hotline — to avoid potential hazards with striking or digging around underground utilities.

