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### **Voting Members:**

- Position 1: Donna Albert (General Public)
- Position 2: Leanne Guier (Cities)
- Position 3: Andreas Kammereck (General Public)
- Position 4: Albert Chang (General Public)
- Position 5: Phillip Lemley (General Public)
- Position 6: Bill Caram (General Public)
- Position 7: Aaron Losik (General Public)
- Position 8: Greg Baruso (General Public)
- Position 9: Jerome Delvin (Counties)

### **Non-Voting Industry Members:**

- Position 10: Vacant (Intrastate Liquid)
- Position 11: Karen Cash—Avista Utilities Corp. (Intrastate Gas)
- Position 12: Vacant (Interstate Liquid)
- Position 13: Mike Hatchett—TC Energy (Interstate Gas)



## Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety (CCOPS)

**"The Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety is established to advise the state agencies and other appropriate federal and local government agencies and officials on matters relating to hazardous liquid and gas pipeline safety, routing, construction, operation, and maintenance." - RCW 81.88.140**

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## About Us

Formed in the aftermath of the 1999 Bellingham Pipeline Explosion, CCOPS's primary goal is to work with the public, state and federal agencies, and pipeline operators to maintain and improve the safety of pipelines in Washington.



### WA pipelines by the numbers:

- 36 Pipeline Operators
- Gas transmission : 1946 miles
- Gas distribution: 43,586 miles
- Hazardous Liquid: 807 miles
- **Total: 46,339 miles**

The committee shall serve as an advisory committee for the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission on matters relating to the commission's pipeline safety program and activities.

The committee is comprised of thirteen members who are appointed by the governor to staggered three-year terms.



Nine members represent local government, elected officials, and the public. Four non-voting members represent owners/operators of hazardous liquid and gas pipelines.

### The Committee will:

- Work to improve the understanding and awareness of pipelines and pipeline safety in Washington state.
- Review, comment and make recommendations on proposed local, state and federal laws and rules pertaining to pipelines.
- Give counsel and advice to local governments, state government agencies (particularly the Pipeline Safety Program and the Department of Ecology), and the U.S. Secretary of Transportation on pipeline issues.
- The committee will assist Washington state citizens to understand pipelines and the safety of Washington pipelines.
- Committee members are expected to interact with key state, city, county, and public groups concerned with pipeline safety and with industry representatives.