
Holly Beach Pipeline Explosion (Feb. 3, 2026) Toolkit

Action steps, evidence checklist, and common proof gaps (Louisiana).

First 72 Hours: Do This First

- Follow emergency instructions and avoid the area until authorities say it is safe.
- Save original photos and videos (do not edit the only copy).
- Write a simple timeline: where you were, what you saw/smelled, and when you got alerts.
- If you have symptoms or burns, get checked and keep discharge papers and receipts.
- Photograph property conditions before cleanup or repairs, then track all expenses.
- Pause before recorded statements or broad releases—get advice on what you are signing.

Records To Save (Even If You Are Unsure You Have A Claim)

- Any alerts, texts, emails, or social posts from local authorities or schools.
- Medical/EMS records and a short symptom journal if you felt effects from smoke or stress.
- Employment documents if you were working: job assignment, training, PPE, and incident reports.
- Property documentation: photos, repair estimates, receipts, and insurer communications.
- Names and contact information for witnesses, neighbors, coworkers, and responders.

Quick Defense Gap Check

Defense Narrative	Your Evidence Anchor
“You were not close enough.”	Time-stamped media + location notes.
“No official evacuation.”	Alerts/shelter info + your timeline.
“Damage was already there.”	Before/after photos + bids/receipts.

If you are a worker or resident affected by the Holly Beach pipeline explosion, evidence can disappear quickly. This toolkit is for general information.

Infographic 1: Evidence Blueprint

A quick map for what to document and save.

Holly Beach Pipeline Explosion Evidence Blueprint

5 proof steps + a
first 72-hour checklist

1

Build a clear timeline
who / what / where

2

Follow official safety
instructions first

3

Document exposure
symptoms + treatment

4

Preserve property
photos + repair docs

5

Secure records
and witness contacts

First 72 Hours Evidence Checklist

- Save original videos
- Log times and wind
- Photo soot and debris
- Save alerts and orders
- Get witness contacts
- Avoid quick statements

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Infographic 2: Defense vs Evidence

Common gaps insurers look for—and what closes them.

Defense vs. Evidence After A Pipeline Explosion

Common denial angles
and the proof that closes gaps

Defense Angle	Evidence Anchor
Not close enough to be affected	GPS + time stamps photos + wind notes
No evacuation, no real exposure	Official alerts shelter logs 911 call record
No documented burns on record or irritation	ER/urgent care symptom journal med receipts
Damage was pre-existing or storm	Before/after photos inspections + bids
Worker error broke procedure	Job plan + training valve/tool logs preserve equipment

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If a pipeline incident affected you, we focus on leverage through evidence.

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If you were injured, exposed to fire or smoke, or suffered property damage tied to the Holly Beach pipeline explosion, the safest early move is to preserve proof and avoid signing broad releases before you understand what they cover.

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This toolkit is general information and not legal advice. Deadlines can apply quickly, and the best next step depends on the facts.