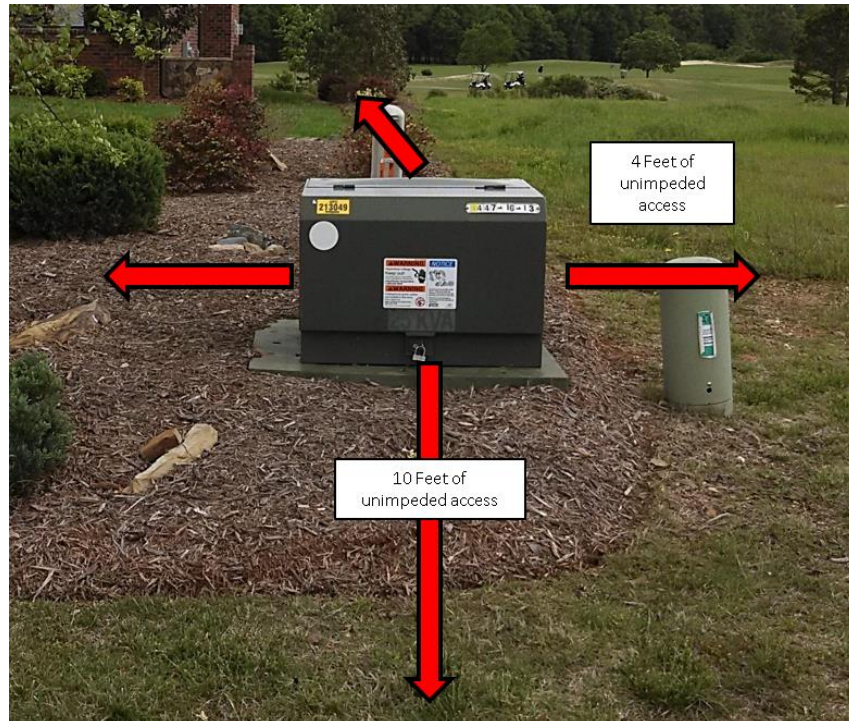


Integrated Vegetation Management Program: Underground Padmount Transformers

Underground Padmount Transformers Program (UPT) targets vegetation and structural impediments that restrict access to the units and internal working mechanisms. We require 10 feet of unimpeded access in front of the unit (the lock and sticker are located on the front of the unit), and four feet (for access and ventilation purposes) on the remaining three sides. Unimpeded access allows us the opportunity to quickly perform switching during storm events and make necessary repairs in a timely manner.



Upon inspection of the units, Union Power Cooperative's IVM Department **will**:

- Notify the Member of any issues we discover
- Cut down and remove target vegetation for unit access
- Spray herbicide on stumps
- Work with Members in way of creating permanent solutions for inanimate objects preventing access to the unit

We **will not**:

- Pick up and dispose of vegetation cut for equipment access during storm events
- Provide replacements for materials cut down
- Re-attach inanimate objects (ex. fences, gates, rocks, walls) taken down for access to the unit
- Rotate the unit
- Move the unit to another location

For more information, visit union-power.com/undergroundequipment.