



Underground Infrastructure Damage Prevention

Damage to underground utilities and pipelines can result in costly repairs, injury, property damage service disruptions, project delays, and state and federal fines. Regardless of the size or scope of the project, before any digging, grading, or excavating begins, it's crucial to not only communicate your plans with Jackson Energy Authority but also have underground infrastructure marked.

Following the five easy safety steps below shows you care to protect yourself, your employees, and your community:

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INDICATE your proposed project area in white paint or approved markings.

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CALL 811 at least three business days to submit a location request before any digging, grading or excavating begins.



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ALLOW the required state time for marking or proceed when advised of clearance.

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RESPECT the markings as indicated by the APWA Uniform Color Code.

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EXCAVATE carefully and use only hand tools in the 24" tolerance zone to expose the exact location of infrastructure.

APWA Uniform Color Code

White		Proposed Excavation
Pink		Temporary Survey Markings
Red		Electric, Cables, Conduit, or Lighting Cables
Yellow		Gas, Oil, Steam, Petroleum, or Gaseous Materials
Orange		Communications, Alarm/Signal Lines, Cables or Conduit
Blue		Potable Water
Purple		Reclaimed Water, Irrigation and Slurry Lines
Green		Sewer, Drain Lines

Along routes of major pipelines, high visibility markers or signs indicate the presence of pipelines, identify the type of pipeline and the pipeline owner with contact information.



Once your project is complete, please backfill properly:

- Use granular materials such as sand, or dirt
- Do not backfill if a potential hazard exists
- Do not backfill with large rocks, sharp objects, and large chunks to avoid damage to underground utilities
- Do not dump backfill on top of infrastructure to avoid damage

If you have any questions about backfilling, contact Jackson Energy Authority.

**Know what's below.
Call 811 before you dig.**

If you disturb or damage any utilities, call 911, then Jackson Energy Authority at **731-422-7500**. If a gas pipeline is disturbed or damaged, including the pipe coating, federal law requires you to contact the pipeline operator immediately.

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