

TODD CREEK VILLAGE

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

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The 411 on 811

You've probably heard the slogan "Know what's below—811 before you dig" promoted by the State of Colorado and local municipalities, public utility providers, and Colorado 811? You've probably also heard news reports about workers hitting underground utility lines and causing an emergency outage, or experienced an outage as a result of it. An underground utility line break can have serious implications and can cause injuries and major damage to property and the environment.

Contacting Colorado 811 at least three business days before you plan to begin digging or excavating is a critical step in the process to help ensure that not only your own safety, but the safety of others is protected as well—it's also the law. It's just four easy steps:

1) Contact 811 before you dig; 2) Wait the required time; 3) Respect and protect the marks; 4) Dig with care.

First, you should know that Colorado 811 (www.co811.org), a registered non-profit organization, doesn't perform any type of locating services. They are a communication link between the public utility companies and anyone planning to dig. This means you only need to contact one entity instead of all the individual utility providers, so Colorado 811 saves you a lot of time and effort! Once you've submitted a request to Colorado 811, they contact the public utility providers who may have lines running beneath your dig area and those providers send their utility locators to mark the underground lines in your dig area. The markings are only valid for 30 calendar days from the date of locate, or until no longer visible, whichever comes first.

It's important to note that there may also be private utilities within your dig area which are owned by the property owner and these lines will not be marked during the process. It is the responsibility of the excavator to have any private utilities located and marked at the expense of the property owner. More information about this and a resource list of private locate companies can be found www.co811.org.

Quick Reference Chart to Utility Markings

- Electric Power Lines, Cables, Conduit/Lighting Cables
- Natural Gas, Oil Steam, Petroleum, or Gaseous Materials
- Communication, Fiber Optic, Alarm/Signal Lines, Cables/Conduit
- Potable Water
- Reclaimed Water, Irrigation/Slurry Lines
- Sewers and Drain Lines
- Temporary Survey Markings
- Proposed Excavating

Colorado 811 is open Monday through Friday from 7am to 5pm (except all federal holidays) for requests and information. Emergency and damage requests can be processed 24/7.

Transparency Notice: Board meetings are held the second Thursday of each month at 2:00 pm via Zoom. The public is always welcome and encouraged to attend.



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