



April is National Safe Digging Month

National Safe Digging Month was designated to remind Tennessee residents and excavators that our land is made up of a complex underground infrastructure of pipelines, wires and cables. Striking an underground utility line while digging can cause harm to you or those around you, disrupt service to an entire neighborhood, and potentially result in fines and repair costs.

A call must be placed to 811 before every digging project, from simple landscaping projects like planting trees or shrubs, to building a deck or installing a rural mailbox. Every eight minutes an underground utility line is damaged because someone decided to dig without first calling 811. Don't become part of the statistic – make sure to call 811!

Here's How It Works When You Call 811:

- Call at least three days prior to digging to ensure enough time for utility lines to be properly marked.
- When you call 811, a representative from Tennessee One Call will ask for the location and description of your digging project.
- Tennessee One Call will notify affected utility companies, who will then send a professional locator to the proposed dig site to mark the approximate location of the underground utility lines.
- Once lines have been properly marked, roll up those sleeves and carefully dig around the marked areas!

The Humphreys County Utility District receives its natural gas safely and efficiently through underground pipelines. It is then delivered through more underground pipelines to serve the natural gas needs of the District's service area.

We are committed to providing safe, reliable, quality natural gas services to residential, commercial, and industrial customers within Humphreys, Dickson and Perry Counties. We go to great lengths to keep our community informed on Natural Gas Safety and are in full support of Safe Digging Month and Tennessee's 811 services.

