

**Know what's below.**

**Call before you dig.**

**ONE FREE, EASY CALL GETS  
UTILITY LINES MARKED  
AND HELPS PROTECT YOU  
FROM INJURY AND EXPENSE.**

**MARKS YOU WILL SEE  
IN YOUR YARD**

**ELECTRIC**

**GAS**

**COMMUNICATION**

**WATER**

**RECLAIMED WATER**

**STORM & SANITARY**

**SURVEY MARKS**

**PROPOSED EXCAVATION**

**Oregon 811**  
UTILITY NOTIFICATION CENTER

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# 811 Q&A

## WHAT IS 811?

811 is the national number designated by the Federal Communications Commission to help protect homeowners and professional excavators from unintentionally hitting underground utility lines while working on digging projects – large and small.

## WHY SHOULD I CALL 811 BEFORE EVERY DIG?

Every digging project requires a call to 811. Hitting an underground utility line while digging can harm the environment, cause serious personal injuries, disrupt service to an entire neighborhood and potentially incur fines and repair costs.

## WHEN SHOULD I CALL 811?

- Excavating a new garden area
  - Putting in a fence
  - Planting trees or shrubbery
  - Building a patio or deck
  - Installing a rural mailbox
- \* These are a few common examples of when to call. You or your contractor should call at least 72 hours before any digging project.

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