

MONTHLY UPDATE AUGUST 2025

KERR LAKE UCC





# 811 Day

August 11th or 8/11 Day serves as a natural reminder for NC residents to call 811 prior to any digging project to have underground utility lines marked.

Help us share this message by utilizing our 811 Day Awareness Toolkit.

https://nc811.org/811-day/





#### **MEETINGS**

- STATE UCC September 9, 10am
   Greenville Utilities, Greenville, NC
- NCLRPC September 23, 11amNC811 Greensboro Office
- UDPRB Sept TBD NC811 Greensboro Office
- NC811 BOARD October 31, 8:30amWrightsville Beach



# CALENDAR

NC811 & NCUCC event calendars can be found on nc811.org or the nc811 app





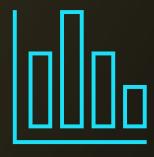
# DATA INSIGHTS

TRANSMISSIONS

COUNTY TICKET VOLUME

TOP 10 CALLERS

DAMAGE INFORMATION





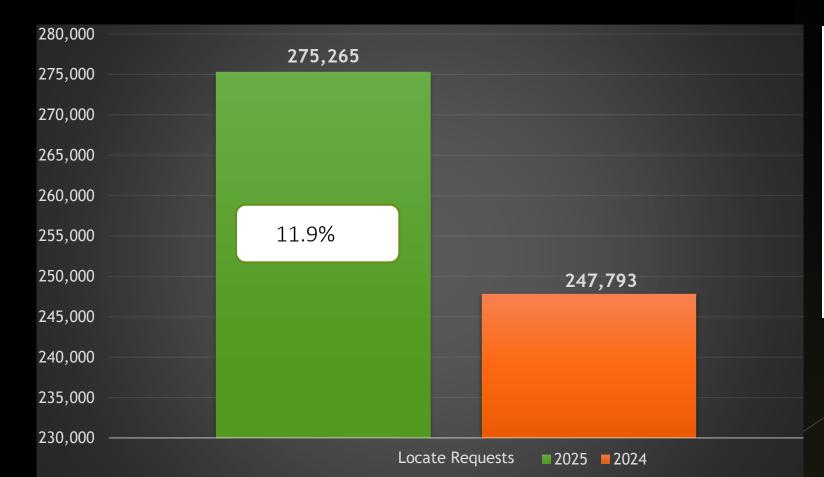
# LOCATE REQUESTS FOR NC JULY 25 VS 24











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YTD 2025 - 1,812,958/ 2024 -

1,640,750 = +10.5%

Updates for July (83,510)

= 30.3% of volume / 2025

June (84,812) = 30.8%

(.5% decrease from the month before)

# LOCATE REQUESTS FOR NC YEAR TO DATE













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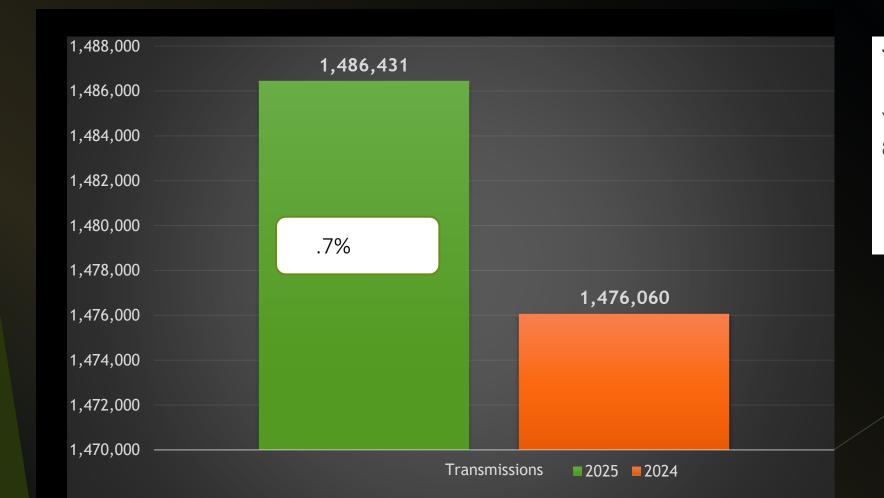












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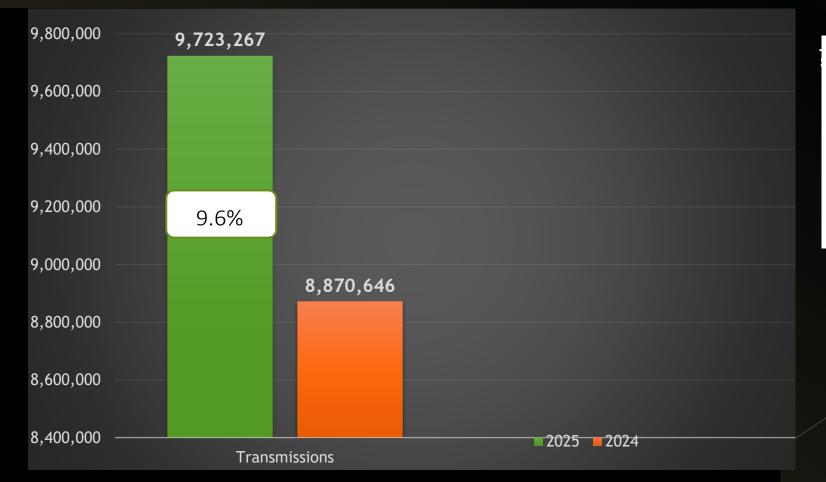












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JULY 2025 VS 2024

Vance	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets
2024	136	1	460	42	184	823
2025	22	2	609	20	184	837
+/- Var	-83.8%	100.0%	32.4%	-52.4%	0.0%	1.7%

Avg Locates per Day



2025

+/- Var

109

137.0%

#### COUNTY TICKET VOLUME

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Warren	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets
2024	46	3	468	4	70	591

709

51.5%

40

900.0%

Avg Locates per Day

472

574.3%

1345

127.6%

64

15

400.0%



+/- Var

48.7%

#### COUNTY TICKET VOLUME

Franklin	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets
2024	78	24	1081	19	445	1647
2025	116	28	1592	33	349	2118

47.3%

73.7%

Avg Locates per Day

-21.6%

28.6%

101



16.7%



JULY 2025 VS 2024

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Granville	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets	
2024	35	5	571	6	184	801	
2025	23	19	661	26	176	905	
+/- Var	-34.3%	280.0%	15.8%	333.3%	-4.3%	13.0%	
			Avg L	43			



YTD VS PREVIOUS YEAR

Vance	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets
2024	261	36	3198	86	858	4439
2025	194	30	3918	80	951	5173
+/- Var	-25.7%	-16.7%	22.5%	-7.0%	10.8%	16.5%
			Avg Lo	ocates pe	er Day	35



YTD VS PREVIOUS YEAR

Warren	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets
2024	83	7	1419	25	239	1773
2025	838	76	4504	199	2406	8023
+/- Var	909.6%	985.7%	217.4%	696.0%	906.7%	352.5%
			Avg Lo	ocates pe	er Day	54



YTD VS PREVIOUS YEAR

Franklin	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets
2024	243	93	7001	99	2780	10216
2025	731	114	8807	299	2476	12427
+/- Var	200.8%	22.6%	25.8%	202.0%	-10.9%	21.6%
			Avg Locates per Day			84



+/- Var

50.0%

#### COUNTY TICKET VOLUME

YTD VS PREVIOUS YEAR

Granville	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	TOTAL Tickets
2024	156	73	4223	48	855	5355
2025	234	78	4056	160	1263	5791

6.8%

-4.0% 233.3% 47.7% 8.1%
Avg Locates per Day 39



VANCE	837
ADCOCK CROSSROADS	17
BULLOCKSVILLE	6
COKESBURY	2
DABNEY	1
FLAT ROCK	1
HENDERSON	566
KITTRELL	193
MIDDLEBURG	30
NORTH HENDERSON	3
SOUTH HENDERSON	3
TOWNSVILLE	8
WILLIAMSBORO	7



WARREN	1345
AFTON	332
AXTELL	3
ELAMS	67
EPWORTH	3
LIBERIA	1
MACON	145
MANSON	23
MARMADUKE	1
NORLINA	105
RIDGEWAY	1
VAUGHAN	1
WARREN PLAINS	4
WARRENTON	659



FRANKLIN	2118
ALERT	17
BUNN	182
CENTERVILLE	5
DADDYSVILLE	21
FIVE POINTS	5
FRANKLINTON	401
JUSTICE	7
LOUISBURG	768
MOULTON	1
PILOT	11
RILEY	20
ROCKY FORD	6
ROYAL	1
SEVEN PATHS	8
SOCIAL PLAINS	1
SUTTON	2
TANTS CROSSROADS	3
WAKE FOREST	19
YOUNGSVILLE	640



GRANVILLE	905
BELLTOWN	25
BEREA	5
BULLOCK	25
BUTNER	51
CREEDMOOR	246
CULBRETH	1
GRASSY CREEK	1
GRISSOM	5
OAK HILL	2
OXFORD	468
STEM	52
STOVALL	7
WILTON	17



Vance	name	Totals
1	MASTEC	135
2	R G COMMUNICATIONS INC	110
3	LKN UNDERGROUND	97
4	COVENANT CONSTRUCTION	89
5	PLUS 1 UTILITIES	68
6	HG REYNOLDS COMPANY INC	67
7	CITY OF HENDERSON	24
8	INO UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION	21
9	COVENANT CONSTRUCTION	18
10	H G REYNOLDS CO	16



Warren	name	Totals
1	DEN UNDERGROUND	477
2	R G COMMUNICATIONS INC	216
3	MB UTILITY LLC	192
4	LKN UNDERGROUND	102
5	STEEL CREEK INC	62
6	ALLEN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC	57
7	UTILITY SOLUTIONS GROUP	40
8	MASTEC	34
9	WARREN COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITIES	12
10	TOWN OF WARRENTON	12



Franklin	name	Totals
1	MASTEC	358
2	R G COMMUNICATIONS INC	237
3	LKN UNDERGROUND	205
4	WAKE ELECTRICAL MEMBERSHIP	83
5	LAMBERTS CABLE SPLICING LLC	82
6	JCC UNDERGROUND SERVICE, LLC	72
7	OCT COMMUNICATION LLC	70
8	UTILITY LINE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES	61
9	JBG CONTRACTORS LLC	47
10	ALL SIGNAL UNDERGROUND	41



Granville	name	Totals
1	R G COMMUNICATIONS INC	145
2	MB UTILITY LLC	131
3	WAKE ELECTRICAL MEMBERSHIP	79
4	MASTEC	74
5	LKN UNDERGROUND	37
6	UTILITY LINES CONSTRUCTION SERVICES INC	27
7	WHITE'S PLUMBING & ELECTRICAL, LLC	22
8	MASTEC	17
9	NCDOT	16
10	OCT COMMUNICATION LLC	13
11	TRC CONSTRUCTION INC	13



# DAMAGES

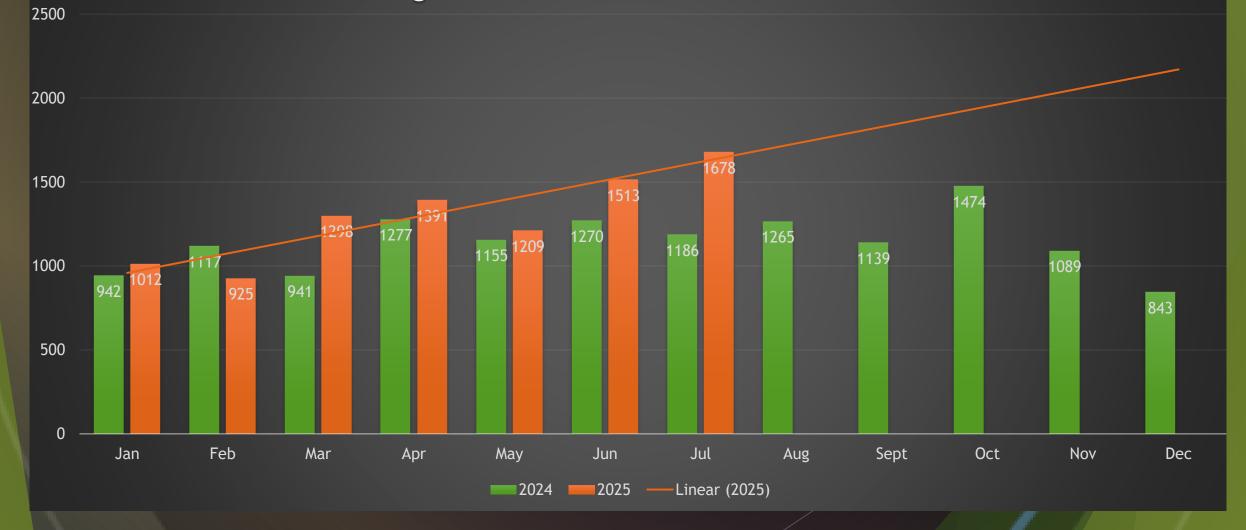
DIRT Damage Information Reporting Tool







#### Damages in North Carolina 2025 vs 2024





# OVERABUNDANCE OF MARKING AND NO OPERATOR ID.





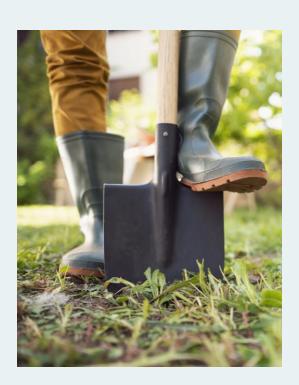
HOUSE BILL 247: Underground Utility Safety and Damage Prevention Act Revisions.





#### **OVERVIEW:**

House Bill 247 would do all of the following with regard to marking of underground utilities:



- Specify that nonmechanized equipment includes soft dig technologies.
- Clarify the standards of painted surface marks for operators marking underground facilities and adjust response times for requests for marking of a facility.
- Shorten the notice period for projects not involving subaqueous facilities, extend notice validity, limit the area for facility location requests, and clarify excavation practices near pipelines.
- Amend exemptions from requirements for notice before commencing an excavation.
- Clarify that the venue for all actions arising from actual and consequential damages occurring in this State is the county where the damages occurred.
- Create a rebuttable presumption that an excavator has exercised due care in certain circumstances.
- Make changes to the Underground Damage Prevention Review Board (Board) concerning vacancies and quorum and allow an informal conference process to request that the Board reverse or modify its determinations concerning violations of the Act.

CURRENT LAW AND BILL ANALYSIS:





#### Section 1 – (87-117) Definitions

- 87-117 (15) —
  Nonmechanized equipment —
  Hand tools and soft dig
  technologies.
- 87-117 (20a) "Soft dig technologies" An excavation method that uses air or water pressure to break up soil and remove it with vacuum extraction.
- 87-117 (22) Tolerance zone

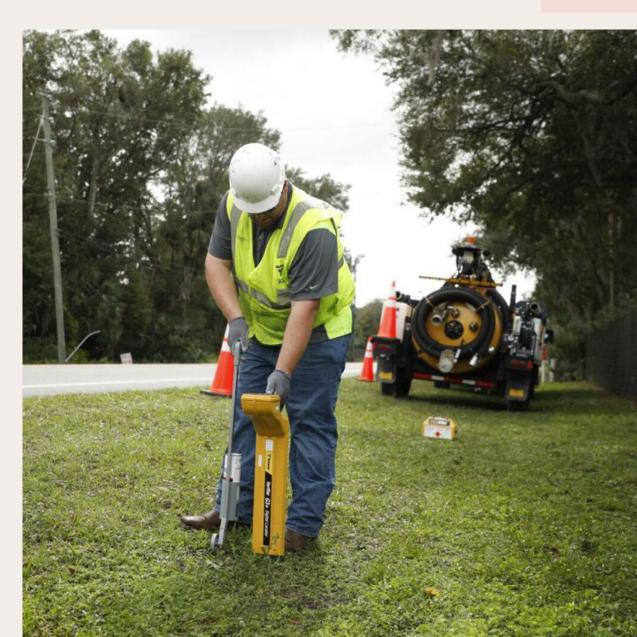
   If the diameter of the facility is known, the horizontal distance of one-half of the known diameter plus 24 inches on either side





#### Section 2 – (87-121) Facility operator responsibilities

- 87-121 (a)(1) Specifies when a facility operator marks facilities, where practical, the painted surface marks must be long enough to distinguish them from dots.
- 87-121 (b) This section would also modify an operator's duties when information is requested by an excavator as follows, unless otherwise provided in a written agreement between the operator and the excavator, including an electronically transmitted written agreement





# Section 2 – (87-121) Facility operator responsibilities

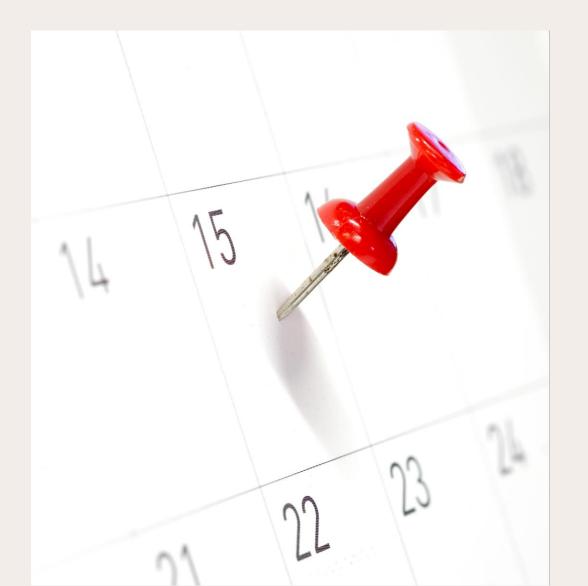


- 87-121 (b)(1)For a facility, the operator must provide the information within three full working days prior to the work start date provided by the excavator. Under current law, the operator must provide the information within three working days after the day that the excavator provided notice of the proposed excavation or demolition to the Notification Center.
- 87-121 (b)(4) For an emergency request, an initial contact with the excavator shall be made within 3 hours.
- 87-121 (b) (5) For a request of an unmarked facility because the operator has failed to respond to the positive response system or excavator sees evidence of a facility, the operator shall arrange for the facility to be marked within three hours from the time the additional notice is received by the Notification Center.



#### Section 3 – (87-122) Excavator responsibilities

- 87-122 (a) Require that notice for any excavation or demolition not involving a subaqueous facility must be given not less than three full working days before the proposed commencement date of the excavation or demolition. Under current law, notice must be provided between three to twelve full working days before the proposed commencement date.
- 87-122 (a) Require that notice for any excavation or demolition in the vicinity of a subaqueous facility be given **no less than** 10 to 20 full working days before the proposed commencement date of the excavation or demolition. Under current law, notice must be provided within 10 to 20 full working days before the proposed commencement date.





### Section 3 – (87-122) Excavator responsibilities



- 87-122 (a) Extend the time before notice expires from 15 working days to 28 calendar days.
- 87-122 (b)(5) The area of locate of the proposed excavation which is limited to an area that the excavator reasonably believes may be completed within 28 calendar days from the work start date and does not include any areas completed and accepted by the authorities having jurisdiction.
- 87-122 (c)(10) Clarify requirements regarding the use of nonmechanized equipment within a 24-inch circumference around an oil or gas pipeline. The section would specify that safe excavation practices, including, but not limited to, hand digging or potholing, must be used within the tolerance zone of a pipeline.
- 87-122 (c)(10) Within the tolerance zone of a pipeline system, the excavator shall use safe excavation practices, including, but not limited to hand digging or potholing.



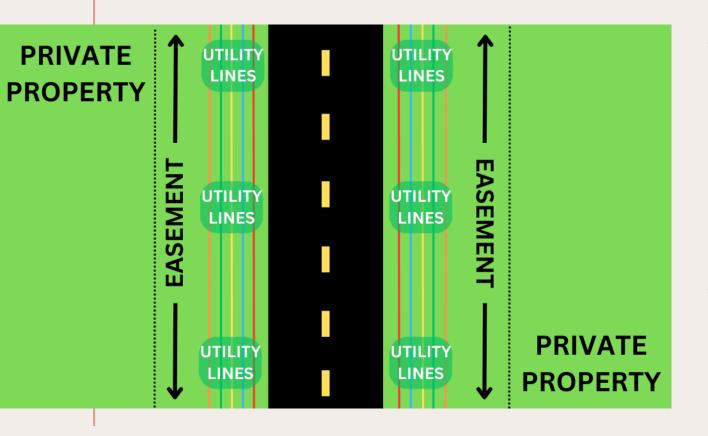
### Section 4- (87-124) Exemptions

- 87-124 (3) An excavation or demolition that involves the tilling of soil for agricultural or gardening purposes that encroaches on any operator's right-of-way, easement, or permitted use and is less than 12 inches in depth.
- 87-124 (5) An excavation by an operator, surveyor, or their contractor with nonmechanized equipment for locating for the minor repair, connection or routine maintenance of an existing facility or survey pin. Also, probing underground to determine the extent of gas or water migration are exempt.





### Section 4- (87-124) Exemptions

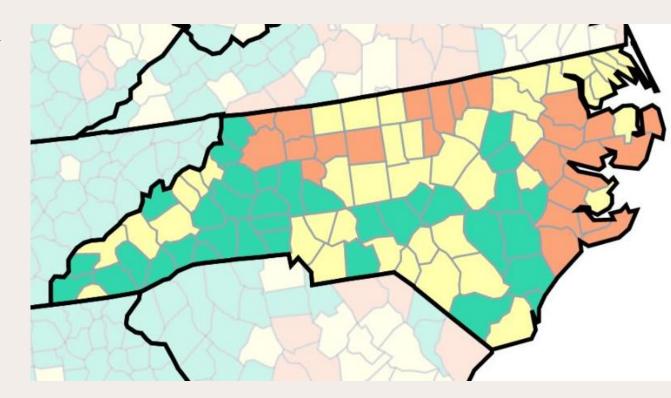


- e 87-124 (6) Under current law, excavations or demolitions performed when a person responsible for routine maintenance of a right-of-way or any other governmental entity performs maintenance activities within the right-of-way using labor on their permanent payroll. An excavation or demolition performed for the purpose of maintenance activities within the right-of-way.
- 87-124 (6) The provisions of this subdivision do not apply when the excavation or demolition is performed by a contractor acting on behalf of a person or entity responsible for routine maintenance of a right-of-way.



### Section 5- (87-126) Notification required when damage is done

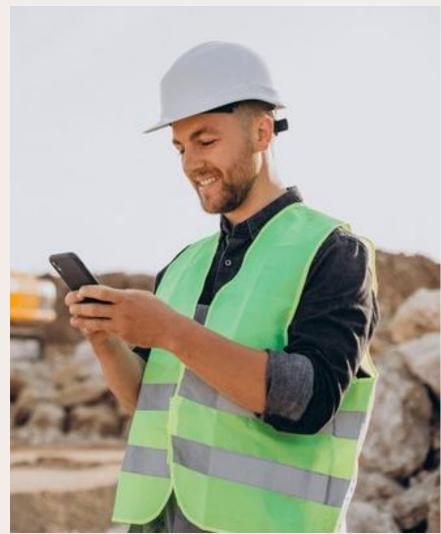
• 87-126 (c) The venue for claims adjudication for actual and consequential damages occurring in North Carolina shall be held within North Carolina court system in the county of the occurrence.





#### Section 6 – (87-128) Absence of facility location

87-128 If an operator fails to respond to a notice or fails to properly locate the facility, the person excavating is free to proceed with excavation and neither the excavator nor the person financially responsible for the excavation will be liable to the nonresponding or improperly responding operator for damages to the operator's facilities, so long as the excavator has exercised due care in preparing for or conducting the excavation. For the purposes of this section, the excavator shall be entitled to a presumption, rebuttable by clear and convincing evidence, that it has exercised due care in preparing and conducting the excavation, the operator fails to respond to that notice or fails to properly locate the facility, the excavator has complied with the requirements and the excavator did not have actual knowledge of the existence of a facility located within the area of the excavation to be performed.





### Section 7 – (87-129)



- 87-129 (a1) Requires the Governor to fill vacancies within 60 days after the vacancy, to the extent practicable.
- 87-129 (a4) A quorum is met when a majority of the seated members of the Board, rather than eight members, and allows members to attend meetings via conference call or other electronic means.



### Section 7 – (87-129)

- 87-129 (a7) The Board shall establish an internal attendance policy. In the event a Board member resigns or fails to meet the criteria of the attendance policy, the Board may appoint an interim member to represent the same stakeholder group until such time the Governor appoints a replacement for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- 87-129 (a8) On request of the Board, the Utilities Commission shall appoint a nonvoting ex officio member as an administrative representative to provide counsel and coordinate efforts of the board.





### Section 7 - (87-129)

- 87-129 (b) The Board shall receive reports of alleged violations and shall contact persons against whom reports have been filed from 10 days to 15 working days.
- 87-129 (b1) The Board shall notify within 30 days each person who is determined to have violated the Article in writing of the Board's determination and the Board's recommended action or penalty.





### Section 7 - (87-129)

Underground Damage Prevention Review Board; enforcement; civil penalties

87-129 (b2) A person deemed to be in violation

could request an <u>informal conference</u> before the Board within 30 days of the determination. Such a person must attend the informal conference in person. The person may be represented by an attorney or other person and present evidence and make arguments in favor of the person's position. Following the informal conference, the Board may reverse, modify, or uphold its original findings. If the Board recommends a penalty, the Board shall notify the Utilities Commission, and the Commission must issue an order imposing the penalty within 30 days.





### Section 7 - (87-129)



- 87-129 (d1) The Utilities Commission shall annually report to the Board compliance of persons on whom fines or penalties have been imposed.
- 87-129 (d2) If the penalty is not paid to the Utilities Commission within 90 days of issuance, the Attorney General, at the request of the Utilities Commission, shall bring an action in the name of the State of NC in the Superior Court for Wake County to recover the penalty.



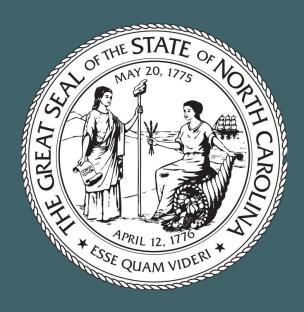
Policy / Procedure	Present Law Until Sept 30™, 2025	New Law, Effective Oct 1 <sup>ST</sup> , 2025	Reference
Notice Prior To Start Exc	avation/Demolition For Markings		
Underground Facilities	Within 3 to 12 full working days.	No less than 3 full working days.	07.400.63
SubAqueous Facilities	Within 10 to 20 full working days.	No less than 10 to 20 full working days.	87-122 (a)
Facilities Locate By Date			
Underground Facilities	Within 3 full working days after the date the notice was given.	Within 3 full working days prior to the work start date.	87-121 (b)(1) (2)
SubAqueous Facilities	Within 10 full working days after the date the notice was given.	No change to current law.	
Notification Expiration (Life of a ticket)	15 full working days after the date the notice was given.	Extend the time before notice expires from 15 working days to 28 calendar days.	87-122 (a)
Area of Excavation	Amended to add additional language	Limit the area of the proposed excavation or demolition to an area that the excavator reasonably believes may be completed within 28 calendar days from the work start date and does not include any areas where the excavation or demolition has been completed and accepted by the authorities having jurisdiction	87-122 (b)(5)
Use of Non-Mechanized Equipment	Shall not use mechanized within 24 inches of specific facilities unless operator has consented to use and operator is on site.	Shall use non-mechanized equipment within a 24-inch circumference around specific facilities unless operator has consented to use and is on site in addition to use of safe excavation practices around pipeline system within the tolerance zone.	87-122 (c)(10)
Definitions	Non-mechanized equipment was hand tools.	Amended non-mechanized equipment to include hand tools and soft dig technologies.  Added Soft Dig Technology description.  Added Horizontal Distance.	87-117 (15) (20a)(22)
Facility Markings	Remains the same with an added statement.	Painted surface marks should be of adequate length to distinguish from dots.	87-121 (a) (1)
Emergency Request Response by operator	Not addressed	Facility operator shall make initial contact with the excavator within 3 hours	87-121 (b)(4)
Unmarked Facility Response by operator	Not addressed	Facility operator shall arrange for the facility to be marked within 3 hours from the time the additional notice is received by notification center.	87-121 (b)(5)
Exemptions	Excavation or Demolition that involves the tilling of soils for agriculture or gardening purposes	Added to include if encroaching on operators right of way easement, or permitted use and excavation is less than 12 inches in depth	87-124 (3)
	No change, only an addition.	Added "their contractor" in addition to operator and surveyor excavating with non-mechanized equipment for stated purposes.	87-124(5)

Policy / Procedure	Present Law Until Sept 30 <sup>TH</sup> , 2025	New Law, Effective Oct 1 <sup>ST</sup> , 2025	Reference
Exemptions	Excavation and Demo activities performed for routine maintenance of a r/o/w, or any other governmental entity with labor on their payroll	Verbiage changes to read an excavation or demo performed for the purpose of maintenance activities within the right of way	87-124 (6)
Claims Adjudication	Not addressed.	Venue for claims adjudication for damages in NC shall be held in the NC county in which the occurrence happened.	87-126 (c)
Absence of a Facility Location	Re-write of the section and addition	Would limit the liability of the excavator and the person financially responsible for the excavation as long as the excavator has exercised due care in preparing for or conducting the excavation. This section would create a presumption, rebuttable by clear and convincing evidence, that the excavator has exercised due care if the Notification Center has notified the operator and the operator has failed to respond, the excavator has complied with all responsibilities imposed by statute, and the excavator did not have actual knowledge of the existence of a facility within the area of excavation.	87-128
Underground Damage Prevention Review Board	Same, but with additions to new law.	<ol> <li>Governor shall fill vacancies within 60 days of seat being vacated.</li> <li>Quorum met with majority of seat members are present, either by being present in person, phone, or other electronic means</li> <li>Establish an internal attendance policy by the board, with the board appointing an interim member until appointed by Governor.</li> <li>On request of the board, Utilities Commission shall appoint a nonvoting ex officio member as an admin rep to provide counsel and coordinate efforts of the board</li> <li>Board must contact and inform persons who reports have been filed within 15 working days</li> <li>Board must notify those deemed to have violated the law within 30 days</li> <li>Informal conference may be requested by the deemed violator: Must request within 30 days of the board's determination</li> <li>Deemed violator may request arbitration of board decision before the Utilities Commission within 30 days of the board's decision following the informal conference</li> <li>Utilities Commission shall report to the board compliance of persons on whom fines or penalties have been imposed</li> <li>Penalties not paid within 90 days to Utilities Commission; the Attorney General shall bring action to Superior Court for Wake County for recovery.</li> </ol>	87-129 (a1) (a4) (a7) (a8) (b) (b1) (b2) (c) (d1) (d2)

<sup>\*</sup>All NC811 Policies and Procedures will be updated to reflect and abide by new law

7/30/2025 – Final – Version 4 Operations Manager, SBROWN

# EFFECTIVE DATE: This act becomes effective October 1, 2025.





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#### Kerr Lake UCC August 2025

Meeting opened at 12:00
811 presentation given by Tami Groves
Discussion about new law coming up in Oct
Gas is on in Hillcrest/City Creek Road