



## LINDERLAKE CORPORATION

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RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION SERVICES • STAFFING SOLUTIONS



### AUGUST SAFETY FOCUS: CALL 811 & BACK-TO-SCHOOL SAFETY

*Protecting what's below our feet — and the people moving through our communities above.*

#### A WORD FROM LINDERLAKE

Welcome to the August edition of the Linderlake newsletter. This month brings two timely reminders about community safety: August 11 highlights the importance of calling 811 before digging, while back-to-school season brings students, buses, pedestrians and families back to neighborhood roads.

**Whether the activity is happening below ground or above it, awareness and planning can make a meaningful difference. This month, we look at simple ways all of us can help keep our communities safer.**

#### What Lies Below: Why Safe Digging Is a Community Priority

August 11 marks National 811 Day, an important reminder of the vast, unseen networks that help power and connect our communities.

Before any digging project begins, contacting 811 helps identify the approximate location of underground utilities. A damaged line can cause service interruptions, costly repairs and potentially serious safety hazards for homeowners, workers and surrounding neighborhoods.

**By verifying existing infrastructure and coordinating safely before digging, we protect the structural integrity of a neighborhood and ensure that homes and businesses remain connected to the essential services they rely on every day.**

#### Decoding the Ground: The Universal Language of 811

Utility locates may be identified with color-coded paint on grass or paved surfaces, temporary markings, or pin flags. These markings help identify the approximate location and type of underground facilities before excavation begins.

When utility locators survey a site, they use standardized color-coded markings to identify the approximate location and type of underground facilities. Here is what those markings mean:



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

These colors represent the markings used to identify utilities — not necessarily the physical color of the pipes or lines themselves.

#### Who Walks Above: Protecting Our Neighborhoods

Just as 811 helps protect the vital infrastructure beneath our feet, back-to-school season reminds us to pay closer attention to the people moving through our communities above ground.

August brings school buses back to neighborhood roads and increases pedestrian activity around schools, bus stops and residential areas. Drivers can help by reducing speed, staying alert, eliminating distractions and being prepared to stop for school buses and pedestrians.

Take action for community safety this month:

- Slow down in school zones and residential areas.
- Stay alert for children near sidewalks, crossings and bus stops.
- Stop when required for school buses.
- Avoid distractions while driving.
- Allow extra time during busy morning and afternoon school hours.

**Small changes in awareness can make a meaningful difference in keeping students, families and neighborhoods safer.**



#### Meet the Mascots of Safe Digging

Across the country, 811 organizations use memorable mascots to make safe-digging education approachable and easy to remember. Meet some of the characters helping spread one important message: **Know what's below. Call 811 before you dig.**



#### The Linderlake Intersection: Coordinating the Big Picture

Effective infrastructure requires coordination between the utilities we rely on and the communities we serve.

Thoughtful Right of Way planning and stakeholder communication help projects move forward while considering existing infrastructure, property owners and the people who live and work nearby.

**At Linderlake, we believe good planning starts with understanding what is already there — and who may be affected by what comes next.**

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#### Closing Thoughts

As August moves forward, two simple reminders can make our communities safer: know what's below before digging, and stay alert to the people moving around us above ground.

Whether you are planning a home project, driving through a school zone or coordinating infrastructure work, awareness and preparation matter.

**Call 811 before you dig. Slow down, stay alert and help keep our communities safe.**

Stay safe, and have a wonderful August.  
— The Linderlake Corporation Team

#### The Humor Corner

This can not be shared enough



Somebody forgot to read him the sign.



"Some digging projects require a little more supervision than others."

#### Did You Know?

There are more than 20 million miles of underground utilities in the United States.

With so much infrastructure beneath our communities, knowing what's below before digging is an important part of preventing damage, service disruptions and potential injuries.

Call 811 before you dig.

#### Compass Reflection

*"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."*

— Benjamin Franklin

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