



TYPES OF UNDERGROUND UTILITIES

YELLOW: Natural gas, oil, steam, petroleum or other gaseous materials

BLUE: Potable water

GREEN: Sewer and drain lines

ORANGE: Communication, alarm or signal lines, cables or conduit

RED: Electric power lines, cables, conduit, lighting cables

Utilities are color-coded for easy identification, matching the flags that mark their location.

Don't forget to call first

There may be more than worms under your lawn. Before you stick that spade in the sod, know the requirements for marking underground utilities. It's pretty easy, and **it's the law.**

BEFORE YOU DIG, YOU MUST:

- Notify Nebraska811 at least two, but not more than 10, business days prior.
- Ensure the accuracy of all information on the request. You can mark the dig area with white paint or flags to help utilities save time when marking their equipment.
- Contact any utilities not notified by Nebraska811. Call 800-331-5666 to report any utilities that are not registered with Nebraska811.
- Ensure all utilities have responded. Call Nebraska811 if utilities have not responded or marked their equipment by your requested start date/time.

Once all utilities have responded, you are free to dig.

WHAT IS NEBRASKA 811? A statewide one-call notification center linking people who want to excavate or dig and underground facility owners and operators.

IN NEBRASKA: Call 811 or visit ne1call.com. The ITIC mobile app is also available, which uses GPS to help you mark the dig area.



OPPD.COM/TREETIPS: For tree-planting videos.

IN IOWA: Call 811 or visit iowaonecall.com.

MAY BOARD MEETINGS

All-committee meeting: Tuesday, May 17 (see oppd.com/BoardMeeting for details). **Regular board meeting:** Thursday, May 19, 5 p.m. (see oppd.com/BoardMeeting for details). Hearing-impaired call 531-226-3208, 72 hours prior to request an interpreter. Agendas posted and meetings viewable on oppd.com/BoardMeeting.

Outlets

OUR MISSION

Provide affordable, reliable and environmentally sensitive energy services to our customers.



Save energy this spring

You can find a wealth of energy-efficiency tips on oppd.com



As listed on the tabs above, energy-efficiency tips (oppd.com/eetips) are part of the energy-saving info and resources you can find on OPPD's website.

From our seasonal tips on conserving energy and reducing your utility bills, here a few ideas for spring:

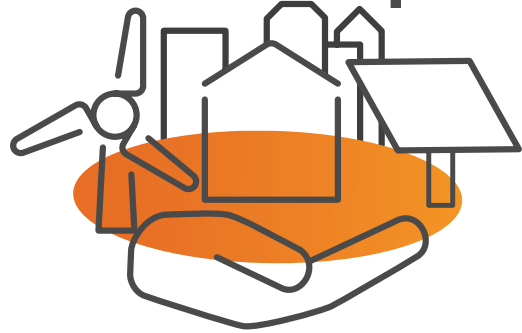
- Have your air-conditioning system checked out by a licensed HVAC contractor in preparation for warm weather.



- Consider opening your windows to cool off the home and add fresh air. Promote air movement by opening windows on opposite ends of your home.
- To reduce the amount of heat generated in the home while the air conditioner is on, consider cooking outside whenever possible.
- Before turning on the air conditioner, consider using a ceiling or box fan to cool off via the wind chill effect. This makes your body feel cooler than the surrounding air.
- If you use a ceiling fan to keep cool, make sure it is rotating counter-clockwise in the warmer months to help with the wind chill effect.

You can access more tips on energy efficiency, as well as how to use your HVAC system efficiently, how to lower home electricity bills, energy usage FAQs, videos and more at oppd.com/eetips.

Power with Purpose



Construction to start soon at Standing Bear Lake and Turtle Creek stations

With progress underway on site grading for Standing Bear Lake Station in north-west Omaha and Turtle Creek Station in Papillion, OPPD's vendor, Zachry, is planning for construction activities at the sites.

In March, Zachry started to prepare portions of each site with temporary offices and storage areas for equipment, materials and supplies. Over the next couple months, they will begin work in the substation areas of each site.

The two natural gas plants will provide backup genera-

tion for the utility-scale solar facilities that will be the key element of the Power with Purpose effort.

For more information on Power with Purpose and other OPPD projects and initiatives, please go to OPPDCommunityConnect.com. You also can scan this QR code with your smartphone to visit the site.



Free house-painting

Brush Up Day is Aug. 20. Home exteriors that qualify for free painting by volunteers are owned by low-income, age 60+ seniors in Douglas and Sarpy counties. Call Project Houseworks at 402-965-9201 by May 31 to see if your home qualifies. Also, please call us if you are interested in sponsoring a team of 10 or more volunteers. projecthouseworks.org

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