

Excavator Safety Presentation

JULIE



Talking Points

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- Notice Timeline
- Tolerance Zone
- Planning/Design
- Joint Meet
- Reasonable Control Measure
- Watch & Protect
- Positive Response
- Penalties



Pre-Marking

Individual or company digging **MUST** notify **JULIE** to make the request!



White paint, chalk, lathe, whisksers or flags

Default notification buffer:
Fixed structure = 5' radius
Linear = 10' wide path



Clear & concise verbal description

Visible fixed structure



Electronic White Lining
when available





**Pre-mark
your
re-marks**

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Notification Timeline



Day of the notice by phone or computer



Wait for marks



Valid start date of notice



Dig By

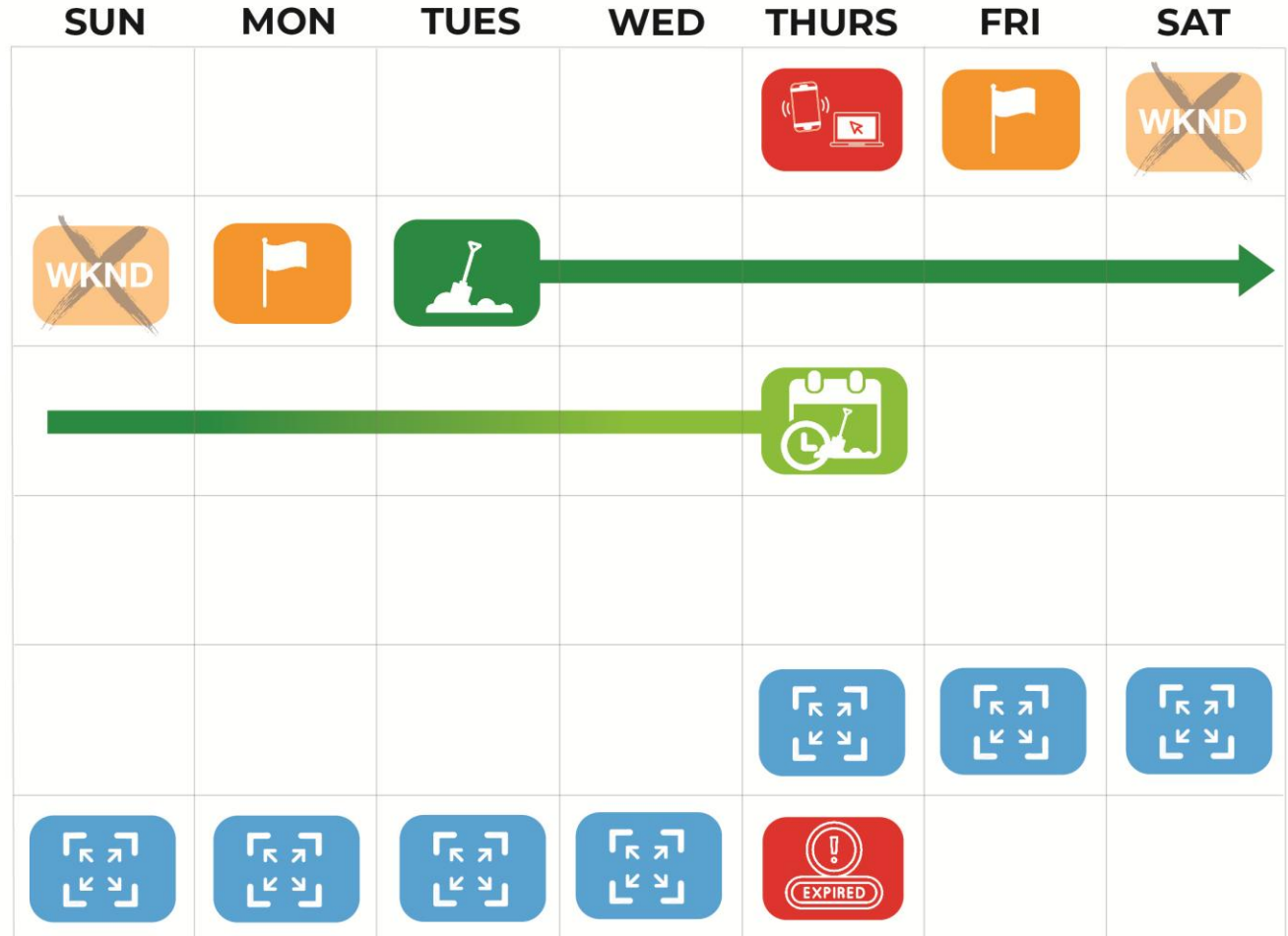


Extension



Weekends and JULIE recognized Holidays do not count as advance notice

Day/Days (new)
Replaces the existing definition of 48 hours to 2 days, not including the day of the notice, weekends, and JULIE recognized holidays.



Emergency excavation notices must start within 2 days after the date of the notice and expire 10 days after the date of the notice.

Notice Timeline



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Wait for marks

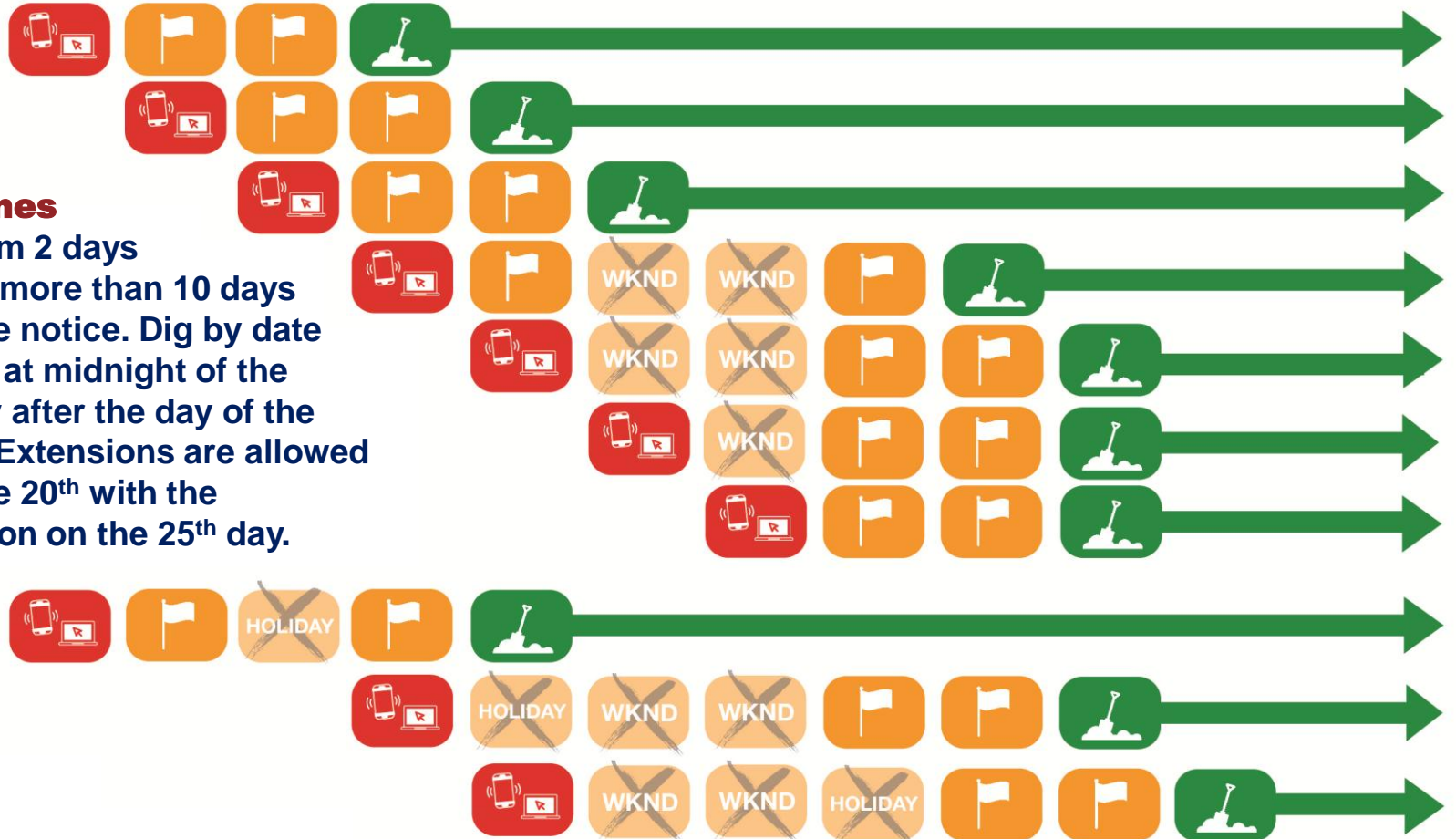


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Valid start date of notice

MON TUES WED THURS FRI SAT SUN MON TUES WED THURS FRI SAT




Timelines

Minimum 2 days but not more than 10 days advance notice. Dig by date expires at midnight of the 10th day after the day of the notice. Extensions are allowed from the 20th with the expiration on the 25th day.

Positive Response

Positive Response is a system housed at JULIE that allows members to respond with an appropriate and accurate system code on notices with excavators having access to the information



Excavation
prior to the
dig start date
possible



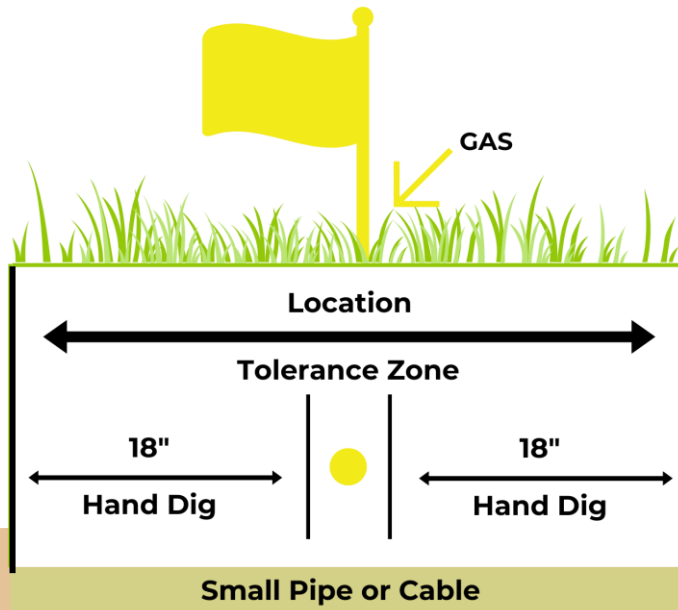


**Give us
a good
email**

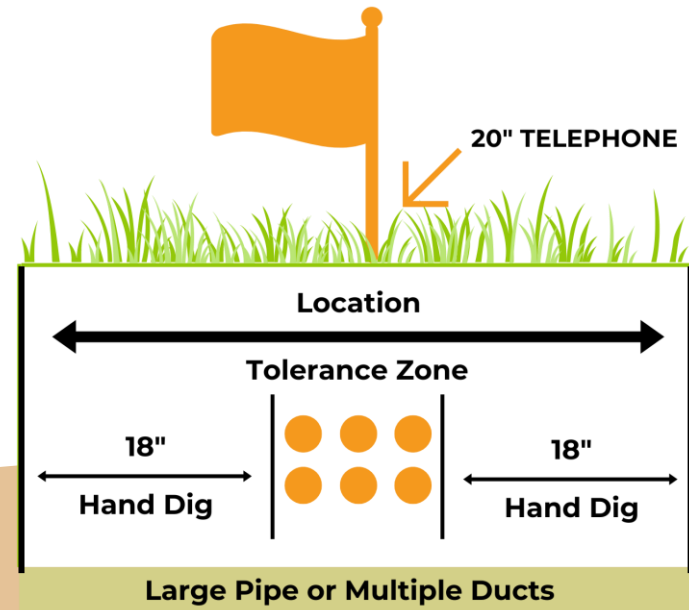
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Tolerance Zone

Tolerance zone definition has been divided into subparagraphs defining with and without facility size provided, submerged, and visible utility structures



To the depth of proposed excavation



To the depth of proposed excavation

What is?

A Large Project

Adjective, Noun • large/proj-ect

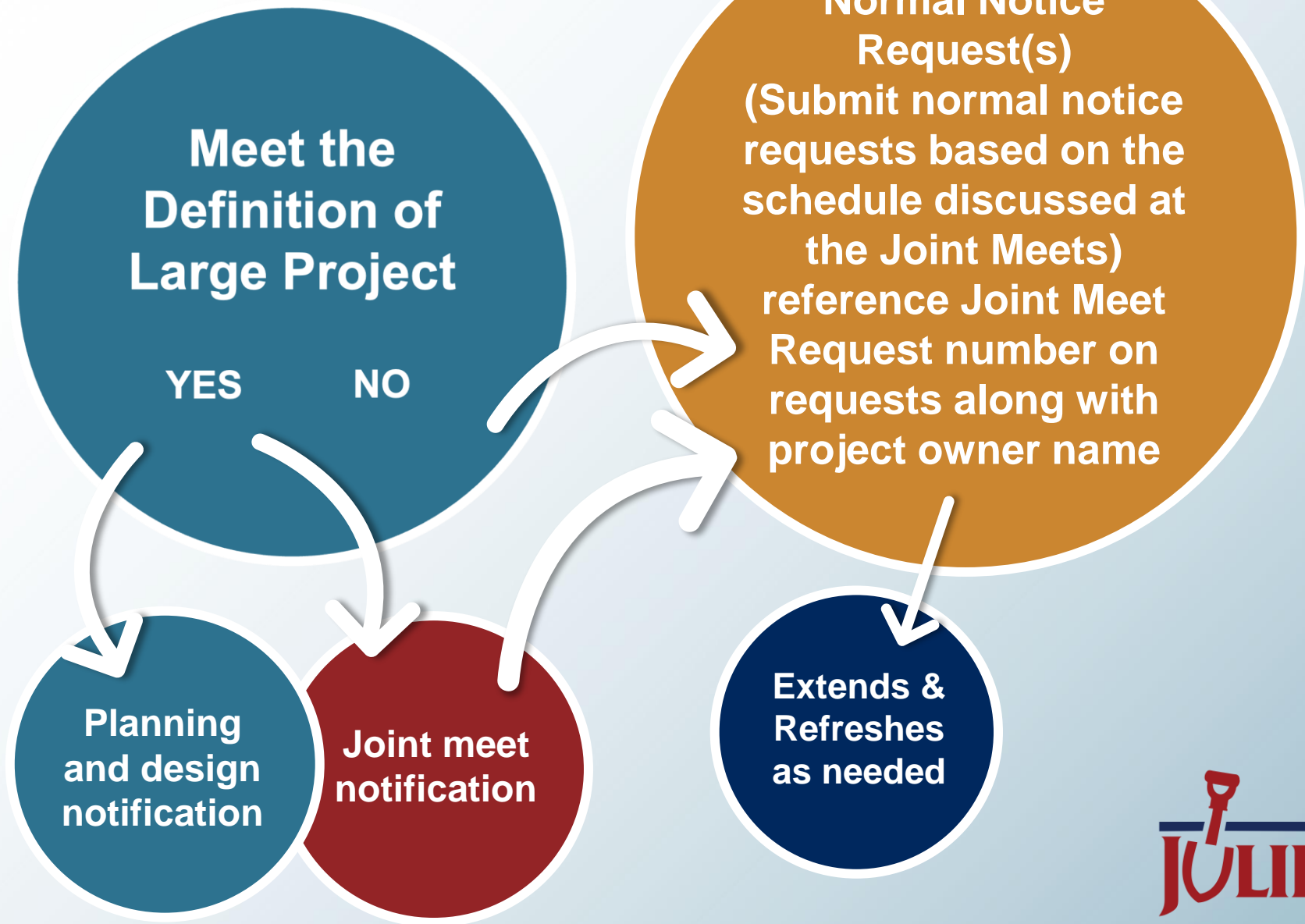
**A single excavation that exceeds the
expiration date of a normal notice request**

OR

**Involves a series of repetitive
related-scope excavations**



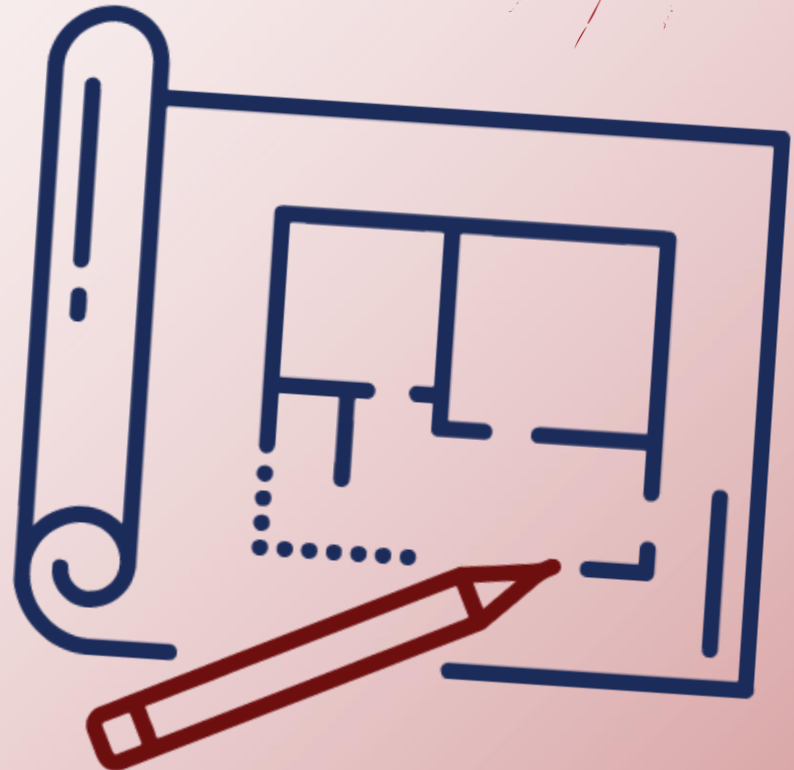
Large Project Process



Planning Design Request

Planning design process to assist in planning proposed excavation to avoid existing facilities

Facility owners and operators are required to participate



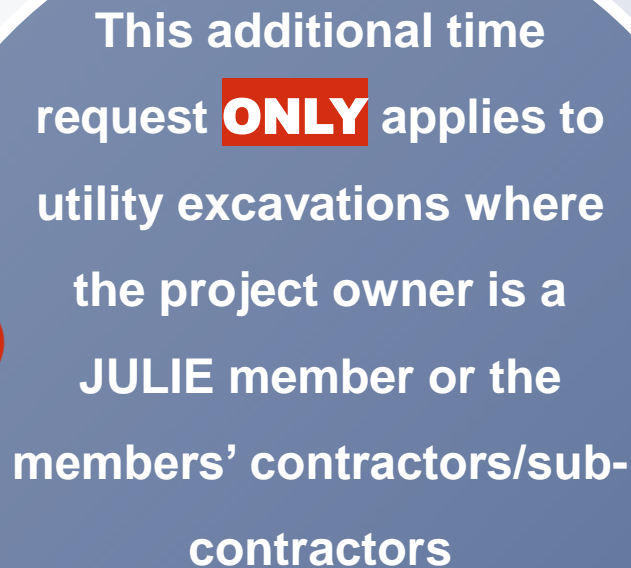
Joint Meet

Joint meet process to communicate information, plans, scope, schedule, and number of crews related to the proposed project in advance of the proposed start of the excavation



Reasonable Control Measure

Facility locators may request up to 2 additional days to respond and mark or provide a no-conflict response when notice volume exceeds the historical averages within that geographic area




This additional time request **ONLY** applies to utility excavations where the project owner is a JULIE member or the members' contractors/sub-contractors



Project owner now required when requesting locates

Watch & Protect

- If notified, shall not excavate until you discuss with the facility owner
- Owners & operators are obligated to meet the excavator's schedule



**WATCH &
PROTECT**

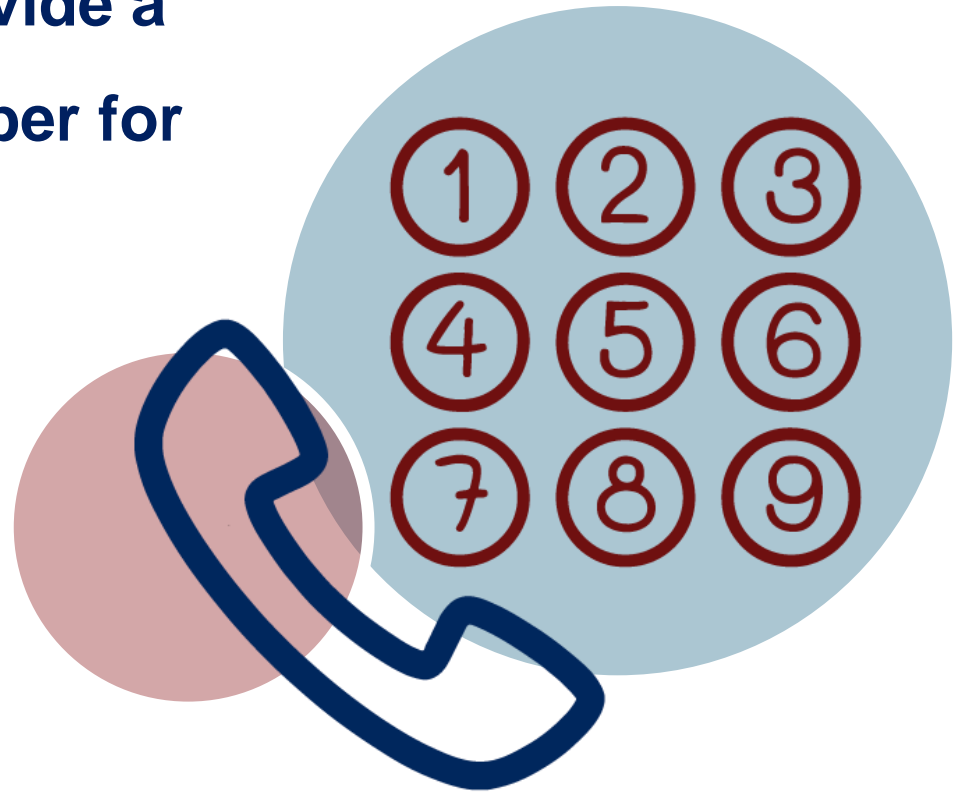
Additional Changes

JULIE members are required to provide all facility information needed within the facilities' domain to JULIE




Additional Changes

Requires utilities to provide a **dedicated** phone number for damage reporting



Additional Changes

After 1/1/2026, installers must ensure that **NEW** or replaced laterals are locatable



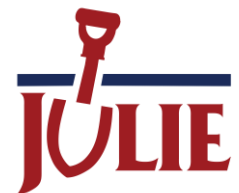
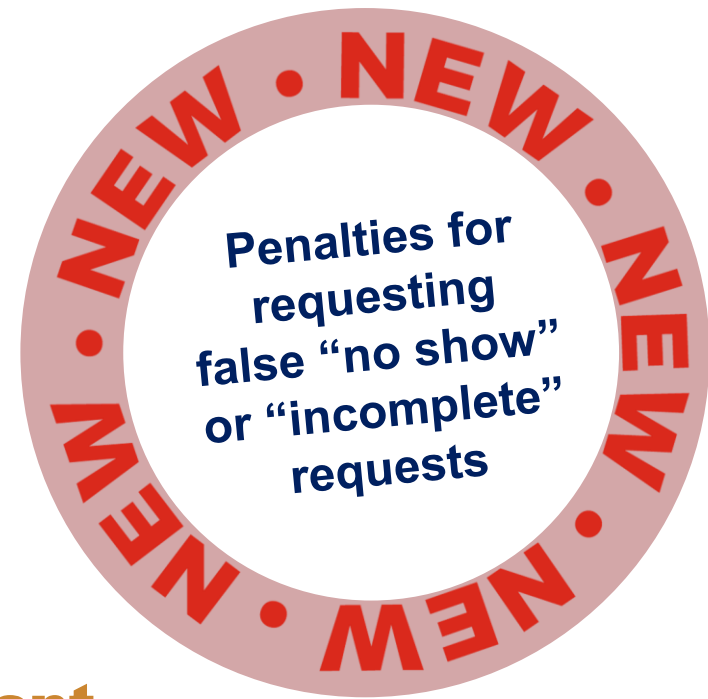
Whether you're going to locate them in the future or not.



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Penalties

- Anyone may report an alleged violation
- The **Illinois Commerce Commission, One-Call Enforcement** shall inform parties involved within 20 days of receipt of the alleged violation
- All reports must be submitted within **65 days** after the discovery of the alleged violation



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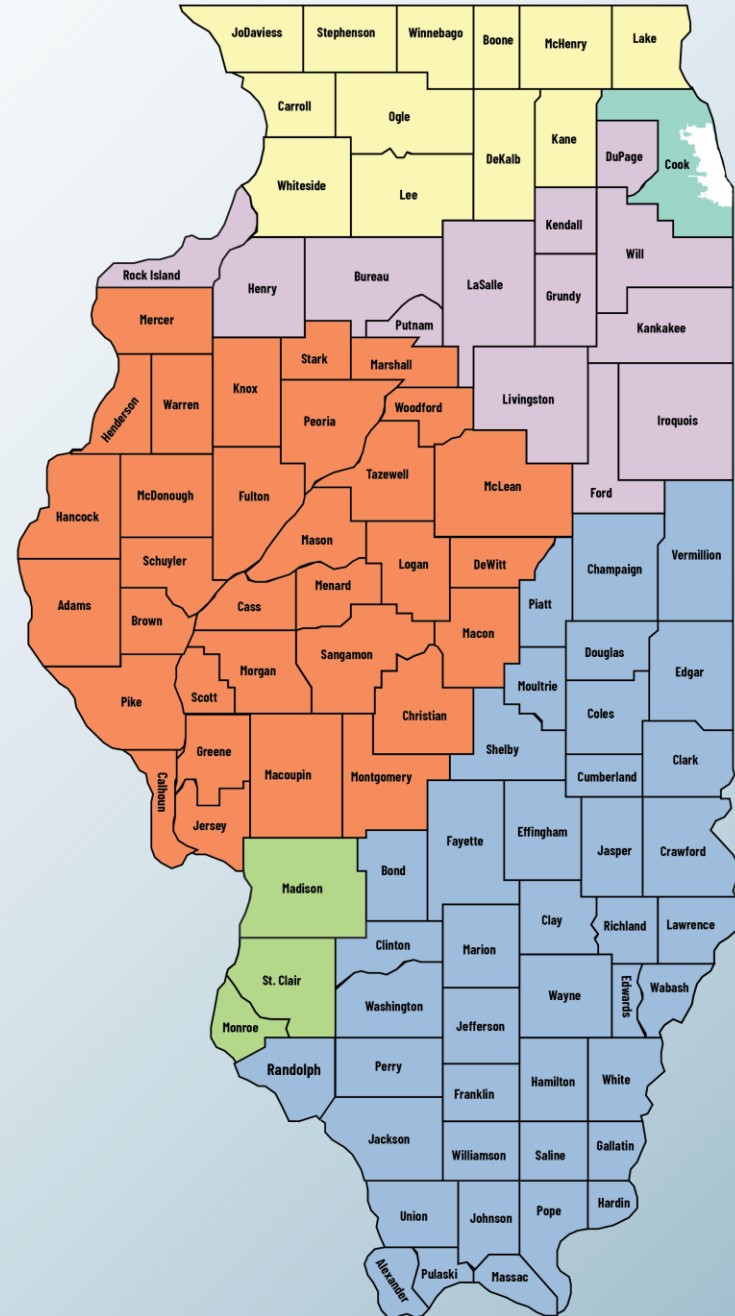
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