



Education Events & Information October 2018

October Teleconferences



Work Stoppage Guide



Procedures have been put in place to assist in the documentation of work projects affected by either an employee strike or an employer imposed lockout resulting in a work stoppage for any period of time.

The purpose of this process is to provide the excavators with the opportunity to communicate about a work stoppage with facility owner/operators or their contract locators, as well as the ability to return to work in an efficient, safe, and timely manner.

Join us in October to discuss the work stoppage guide.

Teleconference phone number : 248-724-5800 (ID 827817)
JOIN.ME Screen Share link: <https://www.join.me/damageprevention>

Time: 9:30am

Click on a date below to RSVP.

October 2

October 9

October 16

Thanks for your feedback!

We sincerely appreciate your participation in our contest! Through your reviews, you are assisting MISS DIG 811 in better serving the public and our membership. Even though the contest has ended, your reviews still matter!



1st Place: Greg Milatz

2nd Place: Michael Wilkinson

3rd Place: Kristel LeBron



Congratulations!
Your gift cards are on their way.

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MISS DIG 811 Certification

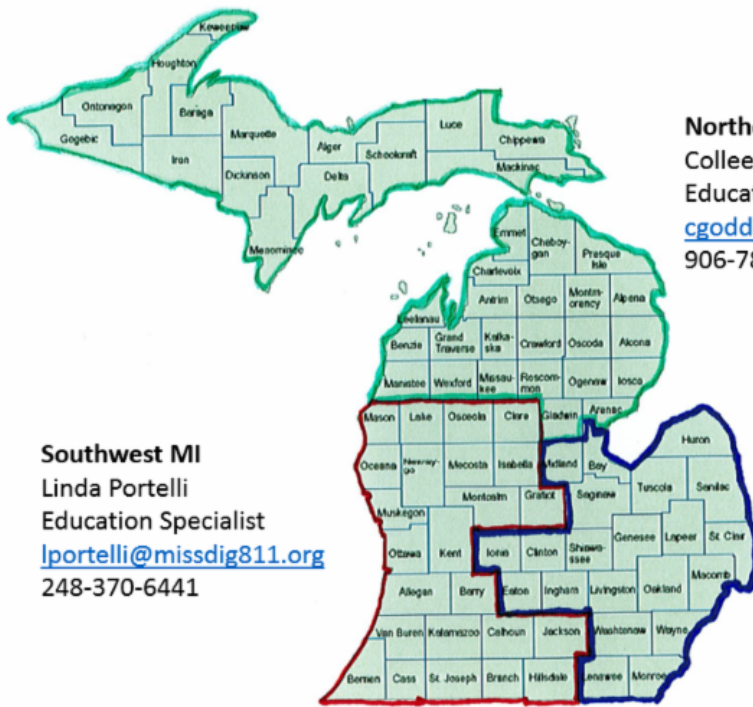
MISS DIG 811 Education Specialists are going back on the road to host Safe Excavation Practices Certification workshops throughout Michigan. This program offers excavators training and information on several safety and facility damage prevention topics at no cost. Nearly 3000 people have been certified to date.

MISS DIG 811 Certification also qualifies as the training portion of your company's safety management program, which is one of the requirements of becoming Gold Shovel Standard (GSS) Certified. The number of GSS certified companies in the State of Michigan is currently on the rise and we expect those number to continue increasing.

The first workshop of the season will be held in Northville at Jack Doheny Companies on November 8, 2018 from 9AM to 1:30PM. Click below for more details and to register.

[Northville- November 8](#)

Additional locations will be booked soon. If you're interested in hosting a workshop at your facility, please contact the Education Specialist in your area.



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What is MISS DIG 811 Certification?

Under the mandate of Public Act 174, MISS DIG System, Inc. is responsible for the education of stakeholders in the excavation community, including facility owner/operators, locators, and excavators. The course explains, in detail, the MISS DIG 811 process and lays out damage prevention and safety practices. It covers requirements and best practices for underground facility owners, (gas, electric, telephone, cable, fiber optic, water, sewer, etc.), as well as clarifying the requirements and best practices for those excavators working near these underground lines.

A primary focus of this course lays out the requirements of Public Act 174, also known as the "MISS DIG LAW". Safe excavation is essential to the safety of utility lines, property, and human lives. The course explains how to best interact with MISS DIG 811 to decrease the likelihood of utilities being damaged during excavation projects. It also provides practical, up-to-date knowledge of tools which help navigate the process and bring about the most efficient, safe outcome possible.

Certification Topics

MISS DIG 811 Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Public Act 174 of 2013

- Rules and Regulations
- Excavator's and Member Utilities' Roles

Overhead Electric Safety

- Rules and Regulations
- Placing a Request through MISS DIG 811

Pipeline Safety

- Excavator's Duties
- Emergency Situations

Locator Services

- Member Utility Locator's Role
- How Locator Posts Results

Tools and Resources Overview

- Various Programs and forms
- Filing a Complaint

No Marks

- Development
- How a worksite will be marked

- Placing a No Marks Ticket
- Damage Reporting
- Data Statistics
 - Damage Reporting Process

Look for more information on MISS DIG 811 Certification in upcoming newsletters.

Damage Prevention Associations



Damage Prevention Associations (DPA) are looking to municipalities, excavators, and facility owners in their regions for participation. Below is the contact information for each of the five DPA's.

If you would like to attend a meeting, but are unable to travel to a location below, you may access them remotely. *Participation is needed by the excavating community to keep DPA's viable.*

- To access remotely, call 248-724-5800 ID (827817)
- When available, visual aids may be viewed during the meeting with [JOIN.ME](https://www.join.me/damageprevention) at <https://www.join.me/damageprevention>

Northern Lower Michigan

Location

Cherryland Electric Coop
5930 US Hwy 31
Traverse City MI 49637

Contacts

Ray Ravary-Fife Lake Utility
Authority
rravary@provide.net
231-392-4824

Time

10AM to 11:30AM

Colleen Goddard- MISS DIG 811
cgoddard@missdig811.org
906-789-3083

Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

To Receive Northern Lower Michigan DPA meeting reminders, please fill out the form from the link below.

Northern Lower MI Notifications

Upper Peninsula

Location

Ishpeming Township Hall
1575 US 41 West
Ishpeming MI 49849

Contacts

Looking for a volunteer to facilitate. Until then, call or email:
Colleen Goddard- MISS DIG 811
cgoddard@missdig811.org
906-789-3083

Time

10AM to 11:30AM Eastern Time

Next Meeting

Thursday, November 8, 2018

To Receive Upper Peninsula DPA meeting reminders, please fill out the form from the link below.

Upper Peninsula Notifications

West Michigan

Location

Plainfield Water Distribution Ctr
5195 Plainfield Ave
Grand Rapids MI 49525

Contacts

Matt Weldon- Plainfield Twp
weldonm@plainfieldmi.org

Linda Portelli- MISS DIG 811
lportelli@missdig811.org
248-370-6441

Date & Time

Meets Quarterly
1:30PM to 3PM

Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

To Receive West Michigan DPA meeting reminders, please fill out the form from the link below.

Tri-County

Location

Saginaw County Rd Commission
3020 Sheridan Ave
Saginaw MI 48607

Contacts

Scott Hare-Saginaw CRC
hares@scrc-mi.org
989-399-3754

Date & Time

3rd Thursday of each month
9AM to 10:30AM

Richard Crannell- Tri-
County Contractors
Association

rcrannel@Hotmail.com

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 18, 2018

Paul Harding- MISS Dig 811
pharding@missdig811.org
248-370-6426

*To Receive Tri-County DPA meeting reminders, please
fill out the form from the link below.*

Southwest Michigan

Location

Kalamazoo Community
Foundation Bldg
402 E Michigan Ave
Kalamazoo MI 49007

Contacts

Jane McDonagh-Kalamazoo City
mcdonaghj@kalamazoocity.org

Linda Portelli- MISS DIG 811
lportelli@missdig811.org
248-370-6441

Date & Time

Meets Quarterly
10AM to 11:30AM

Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

*To Receive Southwest Michigan DPA meeting reminders,
please fill out the form from the link below.*

SW MI Notifications

