

# The Scoop on Damage Prevention



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## Oklahoma One Call

### 2013 Safety Training *Communicating Proper Locating Practices*

The Northern and Southern Damage Prevention Team are excited about the Damage Prevention Program for 2012. Call Okie and the Damage Prevention Councils are partnering with local underground facility companies to sponsor a Excavator safety program focused on communication...**"Communicating Proper Locating Practices"**. Attendees will have an increased awareness of the underground facility dangers that exist, the

importance of using the State's One-Call notification system and a better understanding of proper locating practices.

These programs will educate decision making personnel and employees on how to avoid costly mistakes when excavating near underground facilities. Call Okie will explain the key steps and identify the common mistakes associated with every day excavations.

Excavators need to know the proper procedures and responsibilities when they make the 811 call. Hearing, understanding and using the "Dig Safe" message protects both our excavators and facilities in our state.



### Upcoming Safety Training Dates

**February 13th**

Jefferson County (All 3 Districts)  
County Barn, Waurika

**February 19th**

Washita County (All 3 Districts)  
Washita County Activity Center, Cordell

**February 21st**

Sequoyah County Dist #2  
County Barn, Vian

**February 28th**

City of Okmulgee Pubic Works  
Okmulgee Community Center

**March 1st**

Kay County (All 3 Districts)  
Dist #1 County Barn, Ponca City

**March 6th**

City of Langston  
Langston City Hall

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#### Special points of interest:

- Safety Training Dates
- Annual Meeting

## North Division

Red Carpet Green Country Frontier  
January & February Activities**AGRIFEST**

The 2013 Agrifest in Enid was held January 11-12 at the Chisholm Trail Expo Center in Enid, Oklahoma. Over 45000 people attended the event, which was supported by the Red Carpet Country's Damage Prevention Council. The Call Okie booth was one of the 250 vendors at the event.

Red Carpet DPC members who volunteered at the Call Okie booth were: Troy Cowley-OG&E,

Jerry Logsdon-OneOK, Brenton Mayfield—Western Farmers Electric and David DeBoar-CenterPoint.

**OKLAHOMA GROUND WATER ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE**

Brenda Hoefar was a keynote speaker at the Oklahoma Ground Water Associations annual conference on January 17 & 18 at the Embassy Suites

Conference Center in Norman, Oklahoma. The annual conference offers attendees the opportunity to share their successes, learn new ideas and shape the future of the industry through workshops, exhibits and networking. The OGWA has forged partnerships with industry leaders who exhibit at and sponsor the annual conference. The Call Okie booth was manned by Leslie Carter during the conference.

**Know a contractor that would benefit from Call Okie training?? Contact Call Okie Damage Prevention Manager.**

**January**

1/9 Red Carpet DPC, Enid  
1/11 Presentation at Chesapeake Field Office, Waynoka, OK  
1/11 & 12 KNID Agrifest, Enid  
1/16 Frontier DPC & PEDPC, OKC  
1/17 & 18 Oklahoma Ground Water Assoc. Conference, Embassy Suites, Norman  
1/30 Safety Alliance of Cushing

**February**

2/08 Call Okie Operating Committee  
2/19 Washita County Safety Training, Cordell, OK  
2/20 Green Country Damage Prevention Council, Sapulpa OK  
2/21 Sequoyah County Safety Training, Vian, OK  
2/22-23 Locke Supply Trade Show, Cox Center, Downtown OKC  
2/27-26 Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts, Midwest City, OK  
2/27 Red Carpet Damage Prevention Council, Woodward, OK  
2/28 City of Okmulgee Safety Training, Okmulgee, OK

## Public Education Damage Prevention Council

### Next Meeting

March 20th  
10 AM  
Call Okie Office  
831 NW 59th St, OKC, OK 73112

### South Division

#### Chickasaw Great Plains Kiamichi January & February Activities

#### City of Stillwater Utilities Roundtable Meeting

Call Okie and the City of Stillwater held a roundtable meeting in Stillwater on January 22nd, to discuss current issues regarding the Call Okie process and USIC Locating Services. Call Okie representatives Deborah Yeager, Director of Call Center Operations and Jerry West, Damage

Prevention Manager along with Mike Marrero, Eastern Oklahoma Manager for USIC attended the meeting. John Newburn, Water Distribution Supervisor City of Stillwater, invited 25 public workers representing sub contractors, water, safety, street and electric and line locators to the meeting.

Call Okie and USIC shared information and some best practices

to enable the city the opportunity to improve the integration of One Call process with their infrastructure protection. At the close of the meeting John shared that he appreciated Call Okie's support.

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| <b>January</b>                              | 2/13 Jefferson County Safety Mtg             |
| 1/16 PEDPC OKC                              |  |
| 1/22 City of Stillwater USIC Mtg Stillwater | 2/14 City of Edmond Public Works Mtg         |
| 1/30 SAC Mtg Cushing                        | 2/21 Sequoyah County Dist #2 Safety Mtg      |
| <b>February</b>                             | 2/22-23 Locke Supply Trade Show Downtown OKC |
| 2/8 Operating Committee                     |  |
| 2/12 OSC Conference Mtg Tulsa               | 2/28 City Of Okmulgee Safety Mtg             |

**Before you start your excavation Call Okie 48 hours before you dig...it's the Law!**

## Oklahoma One Call

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## Our Mission

*To Provide quality underground damage prevention and communication services in the great state of Oklahoma.*



## Mark Your Calendar



**March 27, 2013**  
**Call Okie Annual Meeting**  
Express Event Center



## Oklahoma Damage Prevention Summit

**September 30th thru October 2nd, 2013**  
**Embassy Suites, Norman, Oklahoma**

The Summit is for all those interested in keeping Oklahoma a safer place to live and work. Attendees will include stakeholders such as gas and pipeline representatives, professional excavators, locators, electric company personnel, water and wastewater operators. Communications representatives and municipalities representatives will also benefit from the Summit.

