

**PROCLAMATION
APRIL - SAFE DIGGING MONTH**

WHEREAS, each year, the nation’s underground utility infrastructure is jeopardized by unintentional damage by those who fail to call 811 to have underground lines located prior to digging. Undesired consequences such as service interruption, damage to the environment and personal injury and even death are the potential results; and

WHEREAS, the Common Ground Alliance and its 1700 members promote the National Call-Before-You-Dig number, 811, in an effort to reduce these damages. Designated by the FCC in 2005, 811 provides potential excavators and homeowners a simple number to reach their local One Call Center to request utility line locations at the intended dig site; and

WHEREAS, through education of safe digging practices, excavators and homeowners can save time and money keeping our nation safe and connected by making a simple call to 811 in advance of any digging project; waiting the required amount of time; respecting the marked lines by maintaining visual definition throughout the course of the excavation; and finally, digging with care around the marks; and

WHEREAS, all parties agree that safe digging is a share responsibility. In order to promote Oklahoma Safe Digging Month, residents are respectfully reminded to contact OKIE 811 by dialing 811 or visiting www.OKIE811.org to submit a request online, at least three full working days before starting any digging projects to prevent damage to the underground facilities and the risk of injuries and service disruptions that can occur. To know what’s below, call 811 before you dig.

THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Custer County, Oklahoma hereby proclaims the month of April, 2022, as,

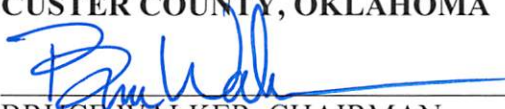
OKLAHOMA SAFE DIGGING MONTH

And encourage excavators and homeowners throughout the country to always call 811 before digging. Safe digging is no accident.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand and seal to this instrument on this 4th day of April, 2022.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
CUSTER COUNTY, OKLAHOMA**

ATTEST:



BRUCE WALKER, CHAIRMAN



MELISSA GRAHAM, COUNTY CLERK



LYLE K. MILLER, MEMBER

(SEAL)





WADE ANDERS, MEMBER