

**PROCLAMATION  
SAFE DIGGING**

**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. 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, 2021, as,

**NATIONAL 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
CUSTER COUNTY, OKLAHOMA


ATTEST:

  
MELISSA GRAHAM, COUNTY CLERK



  
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