

## Cooperator Confirmation of the Utility Locator Service

**Instructions for use:** Form TX-ENG-80B is to document that the contractor and/or cooperator complied with state law related to excavation. Failure to return form TX-ENG-80B to the field office **SHALL** result in termination of NRCS technical and financial assistance for the practice.

Cooperator Information	
Name:	I.D. Number:
Location and identification of planned practice:	

To prevent the potential loss of life, injuries and property damage it is **ESSENTIAL** that **YOU, YOUR CONTRACTOR** and **USDA-NRCS** know **EXACTLY** where **ALL UNDERGROUND UTILITIES** are located on your property **BEFORE** performing any construction involving excavation on your farm or ranch.

**As an NRCS cooperator, you must provide NRCS the confirmation number verifying that your Contractor has Contacted a Notification Center or Used the Statewide Number before any Mechanical Excavation.**

**NOTE: A landowner acting as his own contractor is responsible for meeting all State Utility Notification requirements and completing this form.**

Contractors planning to excavate shall call the statewide number **8-1-1** or submit an online request through [www.texas811.org](http://www.texas811.org) *Note: if issues are encountered, the alternate number is (800) 344-8377.*

Texas law requires notification prior to excavation of at least 2 working days but not more than 14 working days. If your start time does not comply with these notice requirements it may violate the law and be subject to civil penalty. An email confirmation can be requested online or from the call center. Texas 811 will tell you which utility operators they have notified. *Please be aware that you must wait the full two working days before excavation and that multiple utility operators may respond.* Texas 811 does not notify water, sewer and slurry line operators, so these may not be identified. Locate tickets will have an expiration date and excavator should refresh the ticket if the excavation has not been completed prior to the expiration date. Additional information may be obtained at: <http://www.texas811.org/>

***Below is the Confirmation Number provided to me by my Contractor:***

Confirmation #:	Date Issued:
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**Were any underground utilities identified through the notification? Yes No**

**Utilities Identified through Notification Center (Attach a separate page if necessary)**

Type:	Utility Company:
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 Signature of Cooperator or Designated Representative

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 Date

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 Received by NRCS or Designated Representative

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 Date