

**2014 One Call Grant Awards**

No	State	Agency Name/Grantee	Grant Award	Priority Number	Project Description
1	COLORADO	Colorado Public Utilities Commission	\$ 18,690.00	2	Grantee will develop and implement a natural gas and pipeline industry education and testing program for stake holders in Colorado. Ten modules will be developed by an outside contractor who will make them available and delivered via the internet. The following topics will be used in developing separate modules for each item with a method of testing the stake holder's knowledge and skills about the information. The ten topics are: 1) Review of underground facility damages in Colorado, root causes and impact of facility damages. 2) Key requirements of the state One-Call Law. 3) Penalties defined under the state of Colorado One-Call Law. 4) Procedures and One-Call Center requirements for requesting locate notifications. 5) Best practices for locating underground oil and gas facilities. 6) Best practices for excavating around underground oil and gas facilities. 7) Procedures for dealing with oil and gas facility damages. 8) Procedures for ensuring stakeholder and public safety official know how to handle emergencies. 9) Procedures for reporting facility damages to the One-Call Center, DIRT and CO PUC. 10) Procedures for address "Reasonable Care Case B" requirements.
2	CONNECTICUT	Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will continue their aggressive enforcement program. Funding will be used to investigate and review damages to underground facilities and to prosecute violators of the One-Call damage prevention program. One engineer will spend 35% of his time enforcing the One Call Damage Prevention program.
				1	Grantee will continue an aggressive enforcement program including a detailed analysis of One-Call center statistics, compliance statistics and frequency, cause and consequence analyses. One engineer will spend approximately 35% of his time enforcing the One-Call damage prevention program. Of this time, approximately 20% will be used for frequency, cause and consequence of dig-ins analysis. This time includes the submission of state-collected excavation damage data to DIRT.
3	DELAWARE	Delaware Public Service Commission	\$ 2,200.00	1	Grantee will attend monthly meetings of the USPCD, the "Approved Notification Center" of Delaware. The meetings are attended by all types of stakeholders, including operators and excavators. Grantee will provide support for the USPCD pertaining to discussions on current state law on damage prevention. The statistics for dig-ins and the associated causes are provided at these meetings, and these statistics will be utilized by the Grantee in determining the direction and target of educational and public awareness messages.
			\$ 9,221.00	3	Grantee will use funds for one campaign of public service announcements on the radio in one month and to advertise 811 on the home page of each of the four major internet providers in the state (Xfinity, Verizon, Atlantic Broadband, and Mediacom) for five months. In both cases, the message will center on calling 811 and digging responsibly, as the current statistics are showing a large percentage of damages are due to hitting a marked line.
4	GEORGIA	Georgia Public Service Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to continue the employment of the Staff member hired under the 2009 One Call Grant. The person coordinates and assists in the numerous administrative duties of the Georgia dig law enforcement. Specifically, the Staff member maintains an efficient filing system of all dig law investigations, manages all mailing of certified and regular mail, and generates all final Commission orders and hearing notices associated with the Georgia dig law enforcement.
5	ILLINOIS	Illinois Commerce Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to offset part of the salary expense of three full-time employees, which will include salary and other personnel costs for the enforcement of the state's damage prevention law. No equipment/contractual costs are associated with the grant request.

6	INDIANA	Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to pay for legal assistance needed (attorney and legal assistant) to enforce the State's One Call law. These costs will include 1) providing legal support/advice regarding the State's One Call Law to the Indiana Underground Plant Protection Advisory Committee (IUPPAC), the Pipeline Safety Division of the IURC and the IURC Commissioners , 2) drafting legal correspondence to parties regarding enforcement actions and 3) ensuring all required legal enforcement actions are addressed and due process is observed.
7	IOWA	Iowa Utilities Board	\$ 20,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to reimburse the Iowa Attorney General for its actual expenses to respond to and investigate complaints from utilities, excavators, and other citizens regarding violations of Iowa Code chapter 480 (the Iowa "One Call" statute); to prepare and prosecute civil litigation seeking civil penalties and injunctive relief pursuant to Iowa Code sections 480.6 and 480.7; and to insure assessed civil penalties are paid and court injunctions are complied with.
			\$ 1,383.00	3	Grantee will use funds to provide education presentations concerning One Call requirements and enforcement at events sponsored by Common Ground Iowa and Iowa One Call, and upon request by stakeholder groups or individual entities. The purpose of presentations would be to better inform utilities, excavators, and other citizens of the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 480 (the Iowa "One Call" statute), the hazards of noncompliance, and the enforcement remedies available to insure compliance.
8	KANSAS	Kansas Corporation Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to partially fund a full time position with the Kansas Corporation Commission. The position to be funded will be an Underground Utility Damage Prevention Special Investigator. The position will be stationed in the Kansas City metropolitan area and will be responsible for enforcing compliance with the Kansas Underground Utility Damage Prevention Act and 49 C.F.R. Part 192.614.
9	LOUISIANA	Louisiana Department of Natural Resources	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds for overtime compensation for Louisiana State Police (LSP)/ESU Troopers to investigate complaints of violations of underground utilities laws and enforcement of those applicable laws. LSP support staff will enter data relative to underground utility violations into a database program to capture, catalog and report these incidents, and maintain accurate records on those companies who have historic patterns of noncompliance.
10	MAINE	Maine Public Utilities Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to continued partial funding of one of the two Damage Prevention Investigator positions. These positions have enhanced our ability to effectively, consistently and fairly enforce our damage prevention law. This position has also allowed for better utilization of our program personnel to perform training and education and to maintain the statistical data and performance metrics for our damage prevention program.
11	MICHIGAN	Michigan Public Service Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to partially cover the personnel costs for enforcement activities of the damage prevention program at the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC). The position to be funded will be the Damage Prevention enforcement position. This person will be stationed in the Lansing area and will be responsible for statewide enforcement of Michigan Public Act 174. Funds will primarily be used to investigate third party damages and complaints involving potential violations with Public Act 174.
12	MINNESOTA	Minnesota Office of Pipeline Safety	\$ 40,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to partially cover MNOPS inspector's costs for enforcement activities of the damage prevention program. Funds will be used for MNOPS activities directly associated with investigation and enforcement of excavation related damages governed by the Minnesota One Call laws. The grant will also be used to investigate excavation related incidents and to respond to complaints involving potential non-compliances with Minnesota damage prevention laws and rules.
			\$ 4,610.00	3	Grantee will use funds to purchase items that contain the 811 Call Before you Dig message along with contact information for the Minnesota Office of Pipeline Safety in promoting awareness of damage prevention. The items will be given at the following events: Minnesota State Fair - Fire Prevention Day, Minnesota Fire Chiefs Conference, Agricultural events such as "Farm Fest", Damage Prevention Excavator meetings, Department of Public Safety - Safety Awareness Days and various County Fairs around the State.

13	MISSISSIPPI	Mississippi Public Service Commission	\$ 17,977.00	1	Grantee will use funds to hire an experienced attorney to assist in the development of statutory language and amendments to strengthen excavation damage prevention laws in Mississippi.
				1	Grantee will use funds to host one central meeting in 2014 to build on previously established relationships to build a consensus agreement regarding the path to fair and effective enforcement and strengthening the state damage prevention law in Mississippi. Anticipation is a bill will pass in the 2014 legislation session that will be a starting point for damage prevention enforcement.
			\$ 15,908.00	2	Grantee will use funds to provide day long training classes for up to 15 locators per day at 10 different locations around the state. Emphasis will be put on basic and advanced locate theory, the language of locating, CGA best practices, marking standards, reading a One Call ticket, proper documentation, Mississippi Dig Law, equipment maintenance, personal safety, damage investigation and hands on locating techniques.
			\$ 9,221.00	3	Grantee will use funds to purchase and display five hundred 4'X2' banners with the Call Before You Dig logo out at equipment rental stores, home improvement stores, hardware stores and lawn and garden stores in conjunction with Mississippi 's April is Safe Digging Month campaign. The purpose of the banners would be to educate the public on the requirements to notify 811 before digging.
14	MISSOURI	Missouri Public Service Commission	\$ 9,221.00	3	Grantee will use funds to conduct a statewide Public Awareness (And 811) Damage Prevention Radio Campaign similar to the campaigns that were conducted in CY 2009-2013. Grantee will sign a contract with Learfield Communications to run approximately 20-30, 30-second Call Before You Dig radio advertisements and approximately 20, 10-second "tags" before the Missouri Net Sports Reports. The 30-second radio spots and 10-second "tags" will be broadcast on 65 radio stations that comprise the statewide Missouri Net Radio Network.
15	NEBRASKA	Nebraska Pipeline Safety Division	\$ 20,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to enforcement the State One Call law. The money would be used to pursue prosecution of One Call violators. Anticipated expenses would include reimbursements to the county attorney, State Attorney General or other attorney fees incurred during the pursuit of prosecution.
				2	Grantee will use funds to develop an educational and instructional video to enhance public safety on all aspects of damage prevention and the One Call process. The video will be distributed and made available to all stakeholders in the state of Nebraska for their reference and use made available for download via the Nebraska811 website. The second portion of the grant funds will be used to purchase a Safe Digging Interactive video tabletop simulation. Funds will be used to design and build or purchase electronic "line hit" scenarios in a video game format. The software will be used in training sessions with stakeholders to discuss the potential impact of hitting lines, how they can be prevented and what can be done to protect the public in the event of a line hit.
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16	NEVADA	Public Utilities Commission Nevada	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to continue the Enforcement activity. This includes patrolling job sites to check for excavators or contractors not calling in for a One-Call ticket. This activity is aided by a requirement the excavation area must be marked in white paint. If there are no white marks on the ground, the inspector will stop and investigate. If an excavator does not have a valid ticket the job will be shut down, verbal warnings or warning letters issued and training will be provided.
17	NEW HAMPSHIRE	New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds for the cost of a position (labor and benefits) to enforce New Hampshire Dig Safe Law.

18	NEW JERSEY	New Jersey Board of Public Utilities	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds for the review of natural gas damages due to noncompliance with New Jersey (NJ) damage prevention regulations and analysis noncompliance enforcement statistics relating to these damages. Based on the award, a set of recommendations will be developed for enforcement initiatives for the NJBPU to implement in order to improve the enforcement element of its damage prevention program. Grantee will use a contractor to perform this review and provide for approval the contract to PHMSA within 30 days of the grant award announcement.
19	NEW MEXICO	New Mexico Pipeline Safety Bureau	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds for a portion of three damage prevention employees' salaries and benefits who investigate excavation damage complaints and enforce the State Excavation Laws and Regulations. Excavation Laws and Regulations.
20	NEW YORK	New York Public Service Commission	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds for field staff investigates of damages and complaints and issue Citations when warranted pertaining to the State's damage prevention law.
21	NORTH DAKOTA	North Dakota Public Service Commission	\$ 9,221.00	3	Grantee will use funds for a billboard advertising campaign in the state of North Dakota. Funds will be used to procure advertising on 16 to 20 billboards across the state. Billboards will communicate the important message of calling the North Dakota One-Call 800 number or 811 at least 48 hours prior to the commencement of any type of excavation activity.
22	OREGON	Oregon Public Utility Commission	\$ 29,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to hire an Administrative Assistant (AA) to arrange and schedule all Enforcement Committee Meetings, contact all Enforcement Committee panel Members, plaintiffs and defendants according to their respective schedules. The AA will also provide all information on upcoming enforcement actions prior to the Meeting so that Committee Members can review pertinent information. The AA collects all Enforcement Action Summaries and Stipulations resulting from the hearing and begins processing those documents with the OPUC and the Oregon Dept. of Justice. Committee panel Members, plaintiffs and defendants according to their respective schedules.
			\$ 9,345.00	2	Grantee will use fund to provide 2 training classes for locators on locating underground facilities correctly.
23	PUERTO RICO	Puerto Rico Public Service Commission	\$ 34,023.00	1	Grantee will use funds to cover salary for one Attorney in the enforcement of the one call law. The attorney will be the official appointed by the agency to represent the One Call Center in administrative hearings, mediation and arbitration proceedings. The attorney will study any cases pending in the Legal Department in order to expedite hearings, perform periodical legal analysis of newly enacted laws and regulations and ensure its compliance with federal requirements.
			\$ 9,221.00	3	Grantee will use funds to continue education about the One Call Center, use of 811 and damage utility prevention measures to the public. Funds will be spend on custom calendars to reflect vital information about the One Call Center and Dig Safely Program along with trifold brochures about the 811 message and guidelines for excavation and demolition.
24	RHODE ISLAND	Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to continue an outreach program about damage prevention. This project will reach out to every contractor, homeowner and utility that has called in for a Dig Safe ticket in the past 2 years with a mailing that will have the Division's contacts to call for education classes, questions and/or problems. Dig Safe education classes will be conducted with town and city personnel in order to get them familiar with using the Dig Safe program.
			\$ 35,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to pay the Executive Director's salary for processing enforcement complaints. The duties of the Executive Director include: Notifying the named Defendant of the complaint, track responses, assembly the members of the Enforcement Panel, Legal Counsel, Complainant and Defendant for the Enforcement Panel meetings and prepare minutes of Panel meetings.
				1	Grantee will use funds to cover the salary for a South Dakota Public Utilities Commission attorney who works closely with South Dakota One Call complaints. Funds will also be used to cover salaries for administrative assistants and Public Utilities Finance Manager who post complaint dockets on the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission webpage, publish enforcement meeting agendas and handle other administrative issues related to the legal aspects of enforcement.

25	SOUTH DAKOTA	South Dakota Public Utilities Commission	\$ 9,221.00	1	Grantee will use funds to investigate Mandatory White Lining legislation. Funds will be spend on research into legislation of other states and meeting with excavation community and facility operator groups in order to gain understanding of their concerns and to gain acceptance of the process.
				3	Grantee will use funds to cover a portion of the Executive Director's time in hosting and leading excavator presentations. Presentations will include a wide area of new technologies for excavators and facility operators to be aware of about damage prevention, locating lines, filing complaints and how to use a new GeoRemote electronic ticketing process.
				3	Grantee will distribute educational materials at booths established at various functions. Funds for this project would be used to purchase a portion of operations manuals, South Dakota One Call damage prevention materials , Guidelines for Homeowners, Farmers, and Ranchers & misc.
26	VERMONT	Vermont Department of Public Service	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to perform and enhance the following Compliance and Enforcement activities. 1) Administer Vermont Underground Facility Damage Prevention Program Procedures and process cases. 2) Receive all reports of damage to underground facilities and accurately maintain a permanent database. 3) Encourage more cases to be filed electronically utilizing the UFDR form that is available on our web site. 4) Prepare initial incident/event information to enable an investigation of all reports of underground facility damage. 5) Investigate damaged facility reports and determine root cause and other information in categories conforming to the Common Ground Alliance Damage Information Reporting Tool (DIRT).
27	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia	\$ 45,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds to continue detailed excavator inspections of excavation sites. In addition, underground facility maps and mapping technology used by underground locators will continue to be verified for accuracy and completeness. The proposed field inspections will assure that excavations are carried out in accordance with Federal and District regulations. Grantee will to continue to hand out the Excavation Safety Guide to educate excavators in the proper and safe way to excavate. maps and mapping technology used by underground locators will continue to be verified for accuracy and completeness.
28	WASHINGTON	Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission	\$ 20,000.00	1	Grantee will use funds for administrative support services essential to the needs of the Committee to continue working on the damage prevention complaint process as complaints are filed, develop training and education to work to solve dig law related issues proactively, and develop best practices that can be used by all users associated with dig law practices including excavators, facility operators, and locators.
29	WYOMING	Public Service Commission of Wyoming	\$ 8,351.00	3	Grantee will use funds to enter into a letter agreement to run two months of Public Service Announcements throughout the state. The PSAs will be conducted in April to coincide with Safe Digging Month and in August or September to promote One-Call of Wyoming throughout the construction season.
<b>Total Grant award</b>			<b>\$ 1,065,660.00</b>		