

Press Release

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Colorado 811 Training

Monte Vista —Call before you dig. It's the law. It doesn't matter if you are a contractor or private individual. You are responsible if you hit underground utilities when you are digging. Not only can that be costly, it can cost a life. Hitting an underground powerline can be fatal.

Several years ago, Colorado established the 811 number to make it easy to call in to request underground utility locates. Now, the process is even easier with Web Ticket Entry (WTE).

With Web Ticket Entry, there are no lengthy hold times. Anyone can request underground utility locates online 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All ticket types can be processed online except emergency and damage notifications.

WTE offers user-friendly mapping capabilities. It allows users to set their own appointments with participating facility owners/operators. Users may update current tickets and view the last 50 tickets processed.

Learn how to use the new WTE system on April 30 at the Monte Vista Chamber of Commerce (947 1st Avenue, Monte Vista). Two identical sessions are offered. Pick the one that fits your schedule. The first class will start at 8 and end at 11 a.m. The second class will run from 1 to 3 p.m.

Reserve your spot in a class by emailing wte@co811.org.

San Luis Valley REC encourages everyone who plans a project that involves digging this season—no matter how big or how small—to learn more about underground utility locates. Email today to reserve your spot in one of the classes offered on April 30!

SLVREC has provided electricity to the San Luis Valley since 1937. The company is member-owned. The cooperative can be reached at 719-852-3538 or 800-332-7634. Alternatively, member services can be contacted via email: power@slvrec.com. Find SLVREC on Facebook at facebook.com/slvrec. Find SLVREC on Twitter at twitter.com/slvrec. The cooperative is open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

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