

Dig Law Matrix of Stakeholder Poll Results and Potential Small Group Topics

Issue Ranking	Priority	Small Group Topics	Comments/Questions from Survey Responses	Requested to be in this group:
High				
Require new underground facilities to be locatable	H-1	Small Group 1	Adopt a "Tolerance Zone" standard	Would this pertain to locating or excavating? Reasonable accuracy is the same as a tolerance zone which is used in other states in the same manner. change "invasive" to "damaging". Non-damaging methods and if it damages, its on the excavator to fix. change "soft" to "non-damaging"
Require a positive response	H-2		Definition of "reasonable accuracy"	
Adopt a "Tolerance Zone" standard	H-3		Definition of "non-invasive methods"	
Definition of "reasonable care"	H-3		Definition of "soft digging"	
Definition of "reasonable accuracy"	H-3			
Definition of "non-invasive methods"	H-3			
Definition of "soft digging"	H-3			
		Small Group 2	Require a positive response	Chris Bossard, Steve Taylor, Tim Burleigh, Jason Lewis, David Shin, Rory Paine-Donovan, Don Evans, Lynsay Demko-Edwards
Clarify use of emergency locates	H-4	Small Group 3	Definition of "large project" (e.g., 500 feet versus 700 feet)	This description does not adequately capture the issue as it was discussed in 2018. It's not just the definition that is at issue. It is the process for conferring Dawn Nelson, Chris Bossard, Steve Taylor, Tim Burleigh, Jason Lewis, Don Evans, Lynsay Demko-Edwards, Charlie Gadzik
Definition of "large project" (e.g., 500 feet versus 700 feet)	H-4			
Medium				
Require mapping of previously un-locatable underground facilities discovered during excavation	M-1			
Adopt mandatory training or certification for persons who perform utility locates	M-2			
Expand the commission's direct enforcement authority to include telecommunications facilities	M-3			
Report cause of damage to underground facility	M-4			
Reimbursement for the cost of locating un-locatable facilities	M-5			
Low				

Adopt American Public Works Association (APWA) national marking standards	L-1
Definition of "locatable/unlocatable"	L-2
Require inspection prior to reburying exposed facilities	L-3
Require or allow design locates	L-3
Provide the Commission with additional rulemaking authority to implement RCW 19.122	L-5