



SSC Monthly Construction Contractor Meeting

Safety Presentation

Excavation and Trenching

Oct 5, 2023



Excavation and Trenching

Locate/mark utilities in accordance with the SSC Dig Permit Standard (Form SSC-618)

Ensure that there's a safe way to enter and exit

Ensure trenches have cave-in protection

Look for standing water and test for atmospheric hazards

Keep materials away from the edge of the trench

Never enter a trench unless it has been properly inspected by a competent person

PROTECT WORKERS IN TRENCHES

Prevent trench collapses and save lives:

SLOPE or bench trench walls,

SHORE trench walls with supports, or

SHIELD trench walls with trench boxes



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