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Title EXCAVATION SAFETY	Effective Date 05/29/2012

- Purpose** This program outlines procedures and guidelines for the protection of employees working in and around excavations and trenches. This program requires compliance with OSHA Standards described in Subpart P (CFR1926.650) for the construction industry
- Responsibilities** UAA employees will not engage in trenching or excavating that exceeds 4ft in depth. Any work needed at depths greater than this will be sourced to a contractor with the appropriate documentation, equipment, and training to conduct said work.
- General Safety** Before any excavation, underground installations must be determined. This can be accomplished by either contacting the local utility companies or the local "one call" center for the area. All underground utility hazards (surface encumbrances) be removed or supported to eliminate hazards.
- No employee will work in an excavation unless adequate measures are taken to protect the employee from falling objects.