



Safety Tip of the Week

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Trenching Safety



Each year trenching cave-ins result in more than 5,000 serious injuries and 100 deaths in the United States.

Safety Hazards

- Cave-ins can be caused by:
- Vibration of nearby construction equipment or vehicle traffic;
- Weight of equipment that is too close to the edge of the trench;
- Soils that do not hold tightly together;
- Soil that has been dug in before that is not as stable as undisturbed earth; and
- Water weakening the strength of the trench sides.

Learn from others' mistakes and you'll have no regrets