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Statement from Jeff Jones

I am Jeff Jones with Elliot Construction. This pertains to Lake Madison's sewer damage that I was notified about just after July 4, 2021. I had numerous phone calls with Scott from the Sanitary District and in all of them, he stated they were not locating services, just mains. That was after the first hits came up and we were about done. After numerous phone calls and not getting anywhere with the Sanitary District, I made a phone call to the South Dakota One Call, contacted Larry Jaynes and told him of the situation. We talked about similar situations and he made a phone call to Scott informing him of the opinion about locating sewer services. Larry called me back stating that he had made the call to Scott and that they talked briefly. He said he informed Scott of the opinion. We kept battling with them and every phone call I had with them, Scott was always adamant about not locating any services. We also got into a couple waterlines that weren't marked but they took responsibility for those. After that, the water guys showed up and started marking. At the start, our foreman was under the impression the water and sewer services went out the other side of the houses because of no marks on our jobsite. We depend on locators to clearly mark their stuff so we know what our running line is and where to spot crossings. After getting the run around from Scott I turned it over to you (Keith).



Jeff Jones