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Streamlining the locate process has been an ongoing priority for contractors in Ontario for several reasons. The most obvious is the fact that, without valid locates, a project cannot get underway. This means that locates are high on everybody's list, because it does not matter what kind of equipment you have, or how well-trained your crews are, without valid locates, it is impossible to utilize those assets.

On the other hand, anyone in the excavation business knows that it only makes sense that valid locates are required. There are all kinds of utilities underground, and it can not only cost a huge amount of money when one gets hit, but it can also put the lives of many people at risk.

The real challenge

Requiring valid locates for each jobsite is a no-brainer, the real challenge is the fact that managing the paperwork, and statues for each jobsite is a complex task, which requires a high degree of administrative skill, and persistence. This often means that project managers, and estimators, spend vast amounts of time sorting through emails, and printing and filing attachments, when they could be spending time on more important work.

Innovative new tool

Recognizing the difficulty of managing locates, Weability Software, in Hamilton, has partnered with several excavation companies and associations to develop EasyLocates. It is an innovative software tool, integrated with ON-1-Call, which automatically organizes all of your locate statuses, and paperwork, for

Status	Calendar	Request Details	Documents	Related
✓		(BCTW01N) CLI FOR BELL CANADA Alternate Locate		
✓		(ENTW01N) CLI FOR ENBRIDGE GAS Alternate Locate		
⊘		(ENVMTW1N) CLI FOR ENBRIDGE GAS Notification Sent		
✓		(THTW01N) CLI FOR TORONTO HYDRO Alternate Locate		
✓		(ROGTOR01) PRO-TECH FOR ROGERS Alternate Locate		
⊘		(TORTSW01) PVS FOR TORONTO TRAFFIC SIGNALS		

each ticket number. Members say that they have gone from sometimes spending hours a day on locates, to only a few minutes, and the intuitive interface makes it easy to get up and running.

The software also handles relocates, by maintaining the paperwork and status of locates which are still valid. And it's designed to intuitively handle all of those nuances, like when you receive a handwritten locate, or need set Bell locates to valid for the entire project.

The best part is that you can identify exactly which locates are valid, which ones are late, and which ones are expiring soon, by a quick glance at your screen. You can then print all the paperwork for each jobsite with a simple click of the mouse.

Try it out

If you, or your colleagues, have been managing the locate process manually, check out EasyLocates to see how it works. There is a trial version available so you can give it a proper test run, and we have arranged free phone training for ORCGA members.

Click here to check it out – www.easylocates.com