



Washington State Dig law complaint 24-013

RE: Gas Damage

8103 N. Howard Dr

Ticket # 24082804

Work to begin: 3/12/2024

Date of Damage 3/20/24

2 damages. Not just 1.

Narrative:

- all known utilities were potholed and verified.
- The directional drill operator developed his bore path.
- He bored in the pilot bore and pulled back the conduit.

How we discovered the unlocated Natural Gas Line.

- The crew setting hand holes, dug down on the exact spot that the unlocated gas line was, and hit and damaged the pipe thereby finding it with the excavator
- After examination this Natural Gas line was also damaged by the directional drill.
- The bored in pipe was directly underneath the line with clear signs of damage from the directional boring drill head.

Repair procedure

- No gas leaking called a damage ticket
- Notified the Avista representative.
- Avista arrived, identified it as an active line and not located.
- He proceeded to apply tar compound to it and did not perform a repair.



Figure 1 no locates crossing from the main under the Truck towards the camera.



Figure 2 Damage above the service after hit by excavator bucket





Figure 3 picture of damage to bottom of gas line

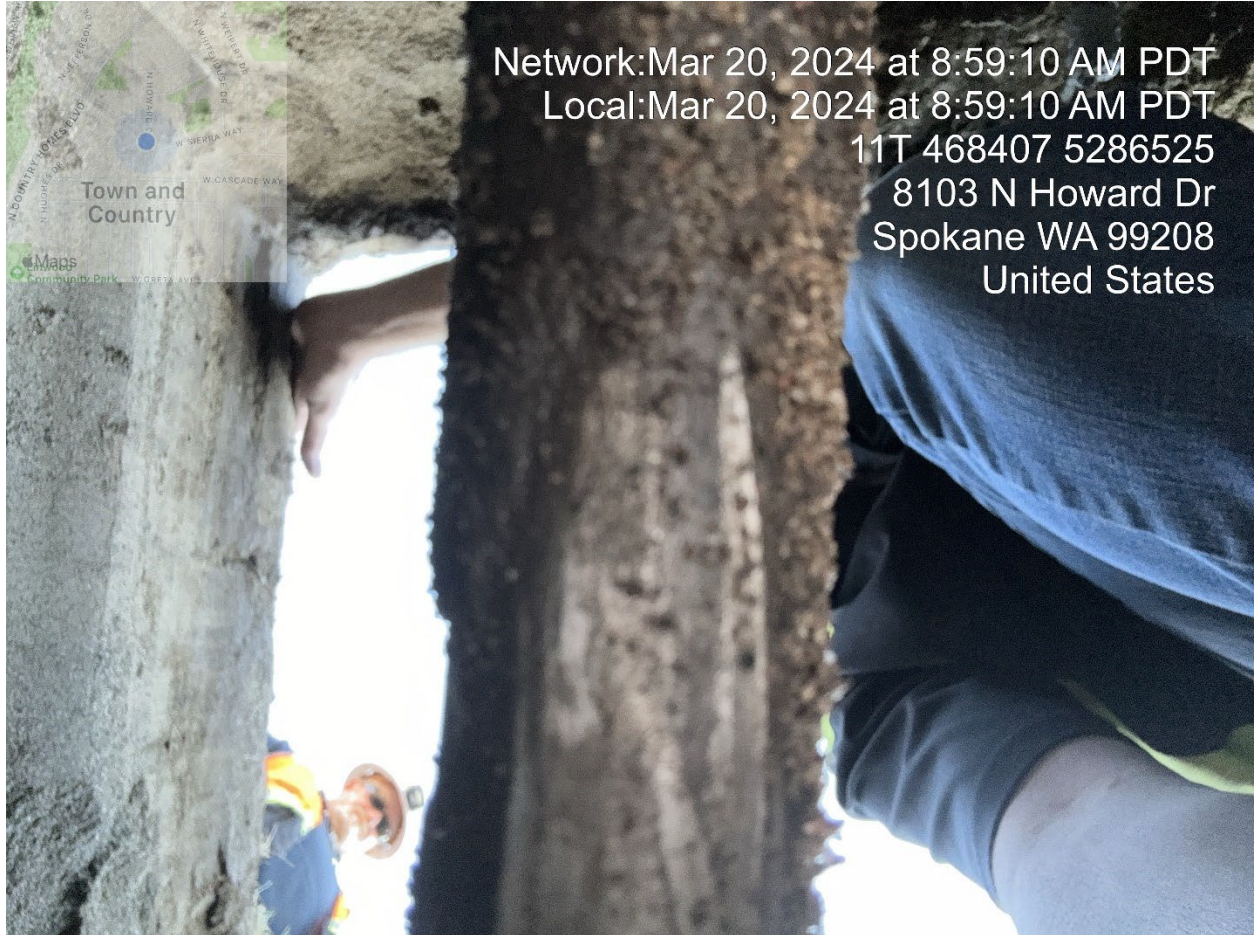


Figure 3 Damage to the bottom of the gas line

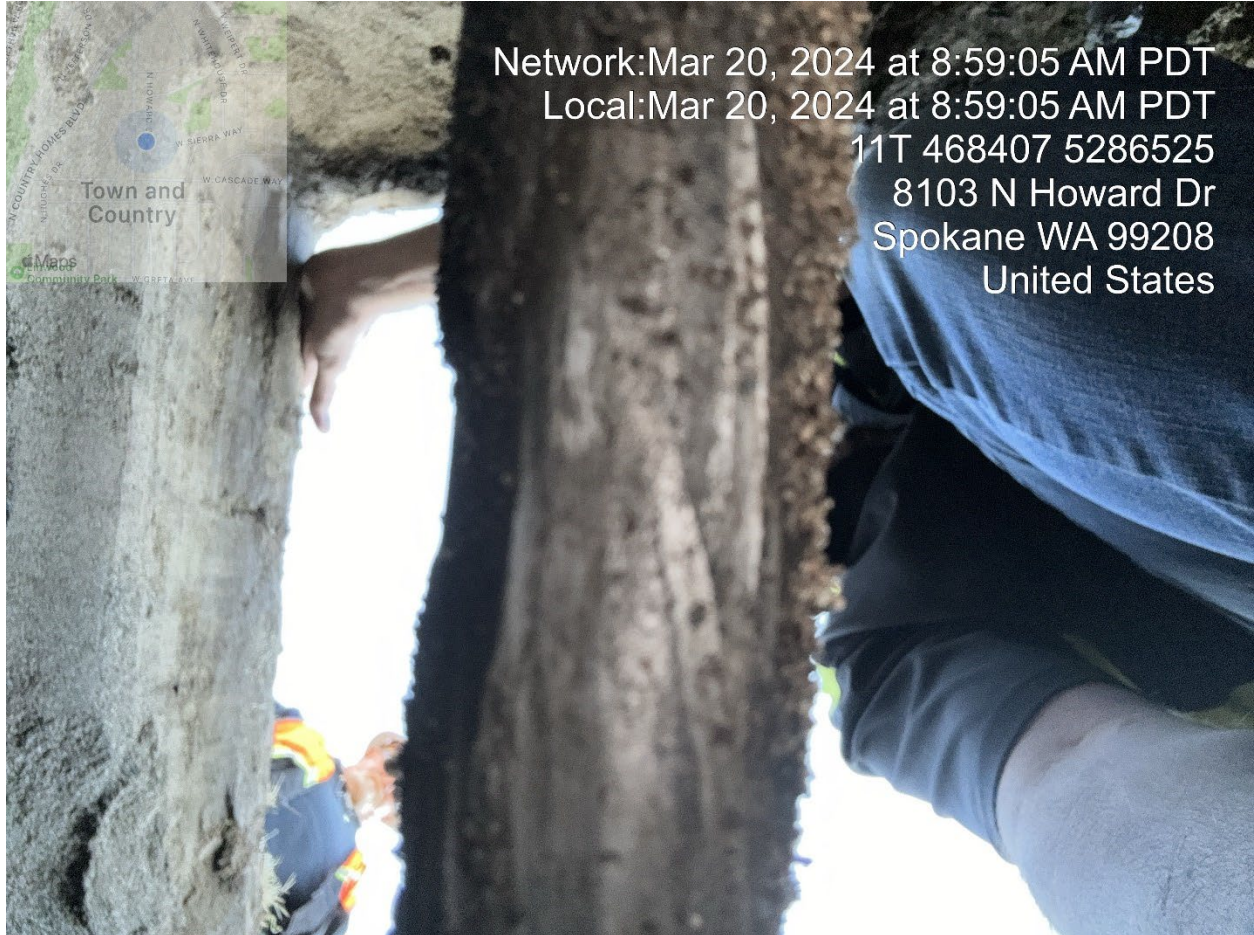


Figure 4 another picture of no locates.



I have further video of the site and the lack of locates if needed.

Root Cause: 3rd party locator failed to locate a known service.