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Standard Operating Procedure
Trencher Operation

Safety Equipment Required:

Gloves
Hard hat
Hearing protection
Safety glasses
Safety shoes

Equipment required:

Self propelled walk along trencher

This machine is to be operated only by personnel trained in it's proper operation.

The operator of this machine will ensure a digging permit has been issued and Miss Utilities has cleared the site.

PROCEDURE

1. Perform Pre-start Inspection per Operator's Manual.
2. Transport to job site per SOP 621.2 STM 23 Trailer towing.
3. Start, inspect, drive, dig and secure trencher in accordance with the operator's manual.
4. Secure trencher to trailer per Operator's Manual.
5. Clean up the job site.