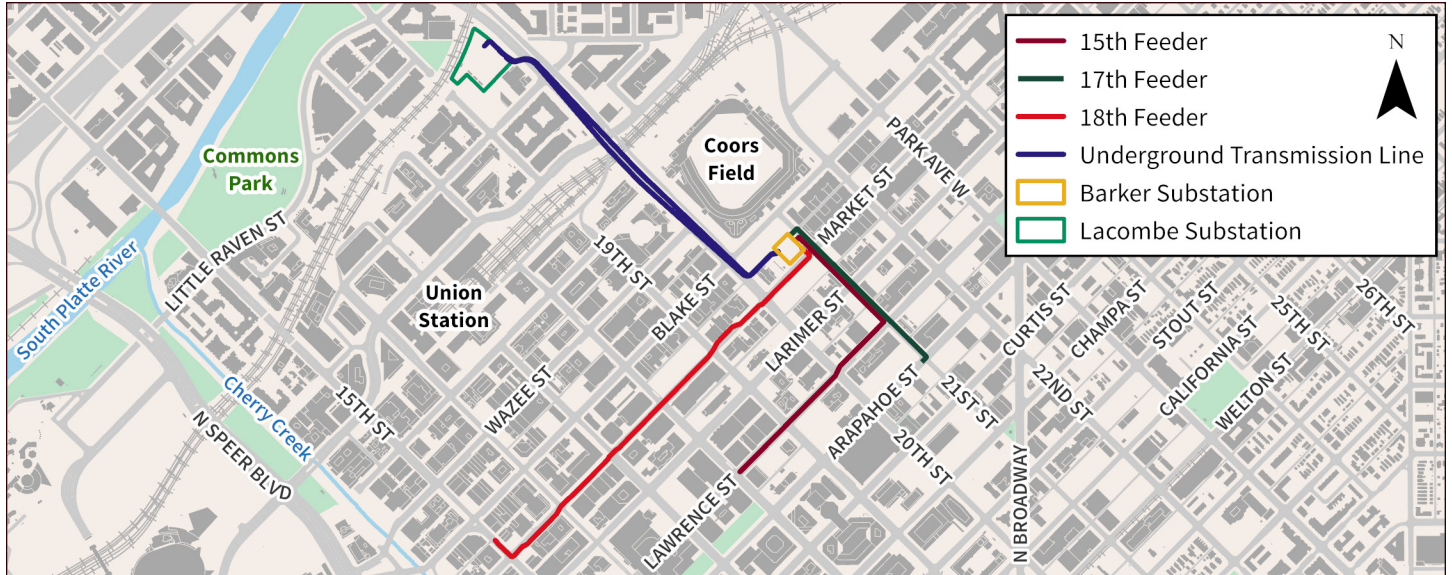


# INFO

## BARKER ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION PROJECT

SPRING 2026



This map is a graphic and may not show exact locations.

### Overview

Xcel Energy is making important electric distribution upgrades in downtown Denver as part of the Barker Electric Distribution Project, being completed in conjunction with the Lacombe to Barker Underground Transmission Project. The work includes installing new underground distribution feeders and a duct bank to connect recent transmission improvements to the local distribution system.

Electric distribution lines will be installed in the following areas:

- Market Street between 15th and 21st streets
- Lawrence Street between 18th and 21st streets
- 21st Street between Arapahoe Street and just east of Blake Street

The system in this area does not currently have the capability to reliably serve the customer electric need anticipated for the future. This work allows us to continue to provide safe, reliable electric service and enhances system resiliency.

### Schedule

Installation of underground electric distribution lines originating from the Barker Substation will begin in spring 2026 and continue through spring 2027.

Schedules are subject to change.

### Construction

During work, you may notice:

- Marking of utility lines and utility survey holes
- Road and sidewalk closures
- Traffic control
- Temporary changes to access
- Construction noise
- Equipment staging

We install electric distribution lines by boring and open trenching:

- Boring uses a bore machine to create an underground pathway through which the distribution lines are pulled
- Open trenching involves digging a trench and placing the distribution lines in the trench

We restore work areas to conditions required by permits as weather allows. Work areas may be left temporarily restored after construction until we can complete final restoration.

## BARKER ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION PROJECT

### Safety overview

Public safety is at the foundation of all we do. We take a proactive approach by implementing safety measures before, during and after construction.

The project has been designed to meet federal and state standards and safety requirements for installing, maintaining and operating electric infrastructure.

### Electric safety

Our electric system, including substations and power lines, are monitored by a 24/7/365 staffed control center. If there is an unanticipated event in the system, the flow of electricity into the system is shut off at a nearby substation to protect the public.

We inspect our infrastructure regularly to check for damage, equipment needing repair or replacement and anything else that might jeopardize safe, reliable operation of our equipment.

In the event of an electric infrastructure problem, clear the area immediately and contact Xcel Energy's emergency number: **800-895-1999**. Call **911** in an emergency.

### Call before you dig

A common cause of utility line strikes results from improper or unauthorized digging near underground utilities. Prior to digging, call **811** or visit [colorado811.org](https://colorado811.org) to have buried utility lines located and marked. This helps prevent dangerous conditions that result from damaging a buried line.

### Be aware of scams

All Xcel Energy employees and most contractors who perform work for us carry company IDs. Ask to see a company ID if someone on your property claims to be working for Xcel Energy, regardless of the work being performed. If the person cannot show you an ID, ask them to leave and return only with proper identification.

Some contractors working on our behalf may not have Xcel Energy IDs. If you would like to verify that the contractor is authorized to work on our behalf, please call Customer Care at **800-895-4999** or visit [xcelenergy.com/IdentifyingAuthorizedWorkers](https://xcelenergy.com/IdentifyingAuthorizedWorkers).

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