

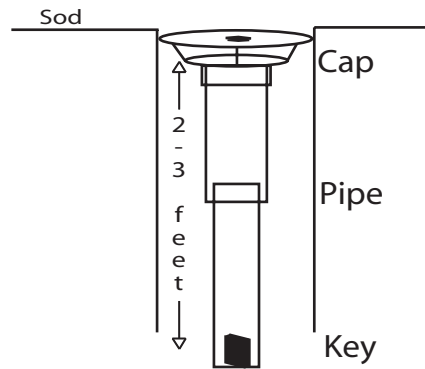
Have you seen
this around your
house?



This valve is the
main water shut-off
to your home.

Construction Damage

During the course of construction, these valves can be damaged. Sometimes the damage is a broken cap, and other times the entire pipe gets bent and plugged. If the pipe was plugged, it could take repair crews hours to shut the water off. This delay could result in much unnecessary water damage to your home.



This is a diagram of the water valve. The valve consists of:

- The cap
- The pipe
- The key

If the **cap** gets broken or removed, then the **pipe** can become plugged with dirt, thus preventing easy access to the **key**, which shuts off the water.

Landscaping Tips

When you landscape:

- Your sod should be level or **one inch** higher than the valve cap.
- The cap should be **exposed** and easily accessible.
- The valve should be **protected** around heavy equipment.

Preventative Maintenance

As these valves cost money to replace, obvious negligence such as **driving** over the valves may result in homeowners being liable for damages.

By keeping these valves protected and exposed, this will help ensure easy and quick access in the case of an emergency.

Questions or concerns?

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