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Question:

(Pole Management & SPA) Describe and produce all instructions, guidelines or policies related to pole setting depth.

Response:

The following documents provide instructions and guidelines related to pole setting depth:

- NECTA-025, Attachment 1 - DTR 05.041 – Wood Pole Setting
- NECTA-025, Attachment 2 CONFIDENTIAL - DTR 05.316 - Pole Selection Guide

Eversource sets distribution wood poles in accordance with ANSI O5.1 recommended setting depths, generally following the guideline of approximately 10% of pole length plus 2 feet. Where design conditions warrant additional embedment, the Eversource's Design Engineering teams will specify the required setting depth within the construction design.