



# What to Expect from the Excavation around Your New Home

## Things you **SHOULD NOT** expect from the Excavation

That settlement of backfilled trenches or fill near the home won't compact. *(Settlement greater than 6" will be backfilled once during the first year per our warranty.)*

That you can plant a yard when the Excavator completes his "rough grade" for landscaping. *(Some fine grading and/or soil amendments may need to be added.)*

That intermittent ponding or standing water won't occur during the rainy season. *(Sometimes we get a lot of rain!)*

That soil erosion won't occur. *(Bare soil will erode until it is landscaped.)*

## Things You **Can** Expect from the Excavation

That standing water or ponding will eventually disappear. *(Flatter lots take longer to drain.)*

That the yard won't drain properly if you or your landscaper change the initial grades established by the Excavator. *(A combination of slopes and swales are used to get the water off of your lot.)*

That runoff over the sidewalks will happen. *(We grade the surface water to the street – over the sidewalk. So, you may occasionally need to sweep debris from the sidewalk.)*

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