

**CA Regional CGA Committee Minutes
Plains All American Pipeline
5900 Cherry
Long Beach, CA
February 14, 2017**

Objective:

Our committee's objectives are to promote the use of the Common Ground Best Practices by encouraging stakeholders to accept and fulfill their shared responsibility in damage prevention; to welcome all stakeholders within our region and encourage their participation on this committee; to educate both committee members and non-members regarding Common Ground Best Practices; to identify issues concerning damage prevention within our region and attempt to construct practices to resolve them; to exchange ideas and information with other Regional CGA Committees. When a new damage prevention practice is created, the committee may forward the practice onto the appropriate CGA Committee for their consideration as a best practice. Our committee's efforts in damage prevention will help eliminate damages to underground facilities, interruption to vital services, safety risks, accidents and fatalities. When citing examples of incidents, please refer to the parties involved anonymously.

1. Call to Order:

Marshall Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:35 am. and read the committee's objective. He also thanked David Delgado & Shawn Schwarz for their hospitality.

2. Attendance – See sign in sheet at end:

3. Review Minutes from Previous Meeting

Marshall asked if there were any changes or corrections to the minutes from the last meeting. Steve Woo motioned to accept the minutes as emailed. Paul Evans seconded. The motion carried.

4. CGA Update

Ann Diamond said that 1 month from today the CGA excavation safety expo and conference begins at Rosen Shingle Creek Resort in Orlando Florida. She said registration is still open at cgaconference.com. She also said that CGA is looking for events to have the hot air balloon in California between April 1 and April 12. She explained that the balloon would not be flying across the country as originally thought but would be available to be tethered at events. If anyone has an event at which they'd like the balloon the form can be filled out [here](#).

5. Notification Center Updates

Ann Diamond reported that DigAlert ended 2016 with a 4.6% increase in tickets over 2015 and so far this year tickets were up 6% despite the rain. She said 2016 had a decrease in calls but an increase in tickets due to 40% of the tickets coming in electronically – either the web site or the app. So far this year online tickets are at 46% due to 84% of the updates being done electronically. 67% of the calls are coming in on 811. She said a new look for the DigAlert website was done this last week and after 40 years the center took its 16th million ticket last week. She explained that since Thomas Brothers hadn't made a new map book in years and were out of the mapping business, the center is asking its members to convert to shape files by November 1 to coincide with the new format that will accommodate continual excavation tickets, since those tickets are good for 1 year. She also reported that DigAlert's IT was working on texting capabilities that will allow a user to text their ticket number and get information if its active and a link to the full ticket. She explained that USA North and DigAlert have shared the 800-227-2600 number for many years and that it works

like 811: depending on where you're calling from you end up with the center that handles the area. Sometimes if you're on the bordering area one might get the other center. When that happens, the center gives the caller another 800 number to call to the other center directly. Since the beginning of the year people calling 800-227-2600 have been hearing a message that effective March 1, 2017 the number will no longer be used and directing them to the website or to call 811 and if that doesn't work to use the other 800 number for the center.

Ryan White said that USA North 811 ended 2016 with a 10% increase in calls, 9% increase in tickets and e-tickets ended the year at 33%. He said that the center had updated their phone menu to both English and Spanish to let callers know that they have a translator service available. He said that they will be implanting a homeowner queue as well. Ryan said their mobile app was still in development and they hoped it would be available by the end of the 1st quarter. He said their website refresh was almost complete and their Facebook message bot was just waiting on Facebook approval. He also said that 811 Express Program will be a complete web platform for all ticket processing. He said that 2017 would be a transition year for outreach as the center moves away from printed materials to digital since they can reach more people through apps and their website. Paul Evans asked if having a homeowner queue would mean that contractors would be waiting longer before getting their calls answered. Ryan said maybe, that they want to prioritize the homeowners since they want to make their digging safer and they want to steer the professional excavator to do their tickets online. Paul asked if there could be an emergency queue included. Ryan said that might be an option to consider.

6. Committee Reports:

A. Board of Directors Update.

Marshall Johnson said that the Board meet in December to vote on a Chairman, Vice-Chair, President, Secretary and Treasurer. He is now the Chair and President; Paul Evans is the Vice-Chair and Ann Diamond is the Secretary/Treasurer. The bank account had been set up and he thanked those that had paid and urged those who need a W9 to process payment to contact Ann. A sub-committee of the Board is working on CARCGA operating procedures.

B. Subsurface Safety and Incident Prevention Committee Update.

Steve Woo reported that the committee had met to determine the next point of discussion. It will either be embedded facilities or standardized training for 4216 rules and damage prevention.

C. Education Programs and Marketing Committee Update.

Nothing to report at this time. However, a discussion about the 811 hot air balloon and a suitable location ensued. Amber Dahl said that she was working with Louie from Shell to coordinate an event in Carson or Compton but it's difficult to find a venue that is a minimum of 250ft by 250ft with no trees or lines, not in a flight path of an airport, available during the time frame in April when the balloon will be in California and isn't competing with existing hot air balloon venues.

D. Legislative and Regulatory Committee Update.

Ann Diamond said the committee hadn't met but she had reached out to the State Fire Marshal to see how CARCGA could help with the new Safety Board. They are still figuring out what they need to do. She also said that she has talked to Tony from Senator Hill's staff about a few items that need some clarification like "abandon lines" not being defined, and that "facility event" and "approximate location" are used when those references should be respectively, "incident event" and "tolerance zone". She also noted that if a ticket expires section 4216.2(i) states the excavator must call to get a new ticket

which limits those that want to get tickets online. She also reminded everyone to get their 2016 incident events in by March 31st.

Shawn Nesgis asked about marking of abandoned lines and if it will be included in the next version of Best Practices. Bill Johns who brought the idea of an “A” inside a circle to the Best Practices Committee a couple of years ago said that it hasn’t been adopted as it needs to be in practice first but now that it’s in California law it might be able to be included in the future. The intent of the markings are for information purposes only not for an accurate record of the line placement.

7. Issues from previous meeting

Marshall Johnson said the Education/Marketing committee will need to update the CARCGA Notification Process Power Point to incorporate the changes to 4216.

8. Issues for future discussion:

Marshall Johnson asked if anyone has items for future discussions to send them to Ann.

9. 2017 Meetings Tentative Schedule:

April 11, 2017 – Conference Call
June 13, 2017 – Northern California Site – TBD
August 8, 2017 – Conference Call
October 10, 2017 – Southern California Site – TBD
December 12, 2017 – Conference Call

All CARCGA meetings are scheduled from 9:30am until 1:30pm

10. Adjourn Meeting:

Paul Evans motioned to adjourn the meeting. Steve Woo seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:55am.

Standing Roster of Sub-Committee Members

Legislative and Regulatory (leg/reg@carcga.org):

Ann Diamond (chair)	Paul Evans	Jeff Patrick
Gilbert Aceves	David Feliciano	Gil Rivas
Nan Bailey	Caleb Haus	Colette Shelly
Jerry Bufford	Anthony Headley	Matt Smylie
Louie Cervantes	Marshall Johnson	William Vogl
Cliff Concello	Brad Jones	Chelsea Watkins
Alan Coppola	Tom Kaczmarski	Thomas Young
Ryan Dove	Steve Marositz	
	John McMahon	

Education Programs and Marketing (education@carcga.org):

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William Vogl (co-chair)	Amber Dahl	Jeff Patrick
Gilbert Aceves	Ann Diamond	Gil Rivas
Jerry Bufford	Ryan Dove	Aaron Scott
Louie Cervantes	Paul Evans	Vicky Shankling
Cliff Concello	Christopher Kenney	Chelsea Watkins
	Enrique Miranda	Alexander Williams

Subsurface & Safety Incident Prevention (ssip@carcga.org):

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Thomas Young (co- chair)	Paul Evans	Jeff Patrick
Gilbert Aceves	David Feliciano	Aaron Rezendez
Juan Beltran	David Graham	Gil Rivas
Tony Burnham	Caleb Haus	Shawn Schwarz
Louie Cervantes	Anthony Headley	Vicky Shankling
Randy Charland	Jamie Himes	Colette Shelly
Alan Coppola	Don Hunt	Catherine Simonsen
Victor Davis	Bill Johns	Matt Smylie
Ann Diamond	Jared Johnson	Bob Strickland
	Tom Kaczmarski	Alexander Williams



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