

**CA Regional CGA Committee Minutes**  
**SMUD**  
**6301 "S" St**  
**Sacramento, CA**  
**October 9, 2018**

**Objective:**

The primary mission of California Regional Common Ground Alliance (CARCGA) is to eliminate safety risks to life, health, and property while also preventing damage to underground infrastructure and vital public services.

CARCGA will accomplish this mission by: encouraging stakeholders to accept and fulfill their shared responsibility in damage prevention; welcoming all stakeholders within California and encouraging their participation in CARCGA; educating members and non-members regarding Common Ground Alliance Best Practices; identifying issues concerning damage prevention and attempting to construct practices to resolve them; exchanging ideas and information with other CGA Regional Partners.

When a new damage prevention practice is created, CARCGA may forward the practice on to the CGA Best Practices Committee for their consideration. CARCGA's efforts in damage prevention will help eliminate damages to underground infrastructure, 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 9:34 a.m. and read the objective.

**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. Jerry Bufford moved to accept the minutes as emailed. Russell Guidry seconded. Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved as emailed.

**4. Dig Safe Board Update**

Tony Marino reported that the next Dig Safe Board meetings will be on October 15 & 16 in Sacramento, in the Inland Empire on November 8<sup>th</sup> and back in Sacramento on December 10 & 11. He said that they might switch back to Thursday/Friday meetings next year. The next meeting will cover area of continual excavation, education in lieu of fines, enforcement philosophy, and investigations. He said that a survey was posted on their website for those that do work in the agriculture community and owners of underground lines in ag areas. The Board is looking for help in creating regulations from experiences and common sense for the ag community. The notification centers sent out a broadcast to its members about the survey as well. The agenda for meetings and other documents can be found at <https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov/>

**5. CGA Update**

Ann Diamond reported that the 2017 national DIRT report was released on September 19. It's available at <http://commongroundalliance.com/media-reports/dirt-report-2017>. She said that upcoming meetings for OCSI, Best Practices, Data Reporting, Stakeholder Advocacy, Technology and the CGA Board of Directors will take place the week of November 12<sup>th</sup> through the 15<sup>th</sup> in Braselton Georgia. She also said that the 2019 Annual CGA conference registration was open. Discounted rates are available through January 10<sup>th</sup>. The conference

will be held March 26 -28 in in Tampa, Florida. The 2020 conference will be in Palm Springs. More information about the conference can be found at <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ehome/350317/home/>

## **6. Notification Center Updates**

Ryan White reported that USA North 811 has experienced a 15% increase in tickets and that each of the last 6 months they have taken over 100,000 tickets each month. He said that since July they have been averaging 70% tickets done online. He said that the centers were working on a common ticket size and policies, but that nothing had been finalized yet. He reminded everyone that the center takes tickets 24/7. Ryan Dove asked if the excavators were told that not all members monitor incoming tickets 24/7. Ryan White said they give contact information for emergencies but not that all members don't monitor tickets.

Ann said that October 1<sup>st</sup> the center started sending transmissions 24/7. Prior to that date transmissions would stop at 7pm. The center is not staffed but tickets can be done online. She said that a disclaimer is included for all tickets that are done outside of normal center hours that not all members monitor tickets or operate 24/7. For emergency tickets, member contact information can be found on the ticket or online. She noted that they are continuing to ask members to make sure their after hours and emergency contact information is up-to-date. She reported through the end of September the center had a 6% increase in tickets with 47% being done on line and 76% of calls coming in on 811. She also mentioned that August was the busiest month in the center's history with over 75,000 tickets.

Sunil Shori said that since the centers are standardizing tickets that they should standardize on the language for emergency tickets.

## **7. Committee Reports:**

### **A. Board of Directors Update.**

Marshall went over the financial information. Stakeholder invoices will go out November 1<sup>st</sup> for 2019 membership.

### **B. Subsurface Safety and Incident Prevention Committee Update.**

Ann reported that the committee had met a couple of times to discuss reasonable care as it relates to dirt roads and shoulders as requested by the Dig Safe Board. Sunil Shori also said the committee was discussing in conflict. The next SSIP meeting will be November 6.

### **C. Education Programs and Marketing Committee Update.**

Michael Worster said a partnership and shared opportunities would be discussed at a meeting with the Dig Safe Board after their next meeting. He said the Mock Strike Event for Southern California was postponed until next year. The committee agreed to the flyer that was sent out in the packets that the centers would distribute to their members encouraging use of electronic positive response. The group agreed. Marshall asked excavators if they were finding it easy to use. Anthony Headley said at this point West Valley was using it as a validation, but they want it to be a one stop shop. Other questions about what the centers were doing to let the excavator know to check for the electronic positive response, how IRTNET can respond and how many people have checked on the website for the responses.

Tim Thrift suggested the Sacramento Regional Builders conference in April for a Mock Strike Event.

### **D. Legislative and Regulatory Committee Update.**

Ann said that AB1914 was signed and now the Dig Safe Board has to come up with regulations on what power equipment can be used for exposing lines in conflict.

## **8. Old Business**

### **A. Nominations for Directors**

Marshall said that nominations for stakeholder directors for – electric, engineering, locator, oil, road builder, telecommunication, sewer, and state regulator are open until October 15. Those interested should contact Ann. Self-nominations are accepted.

## **9. New Business**

### **A. Volunteers to Host 2019 In Person Meetings**

Next year the in-person meetings will be February 12 in Southern California, June 11 in Northern California and October 8 in Southern California. Those wishing to host need conference call and internet capabilities with room for approximately 20 or more in person. If interested, please contact Ann.

## **10. Future Meetings**

### **December 13, 2018 – Conference Call – Date Change**

February 12, 2019 – Southern California – TBD

April 9, 2019 – Conference Call

June 11, 2019 – Northern California – PG&E – location pending

August 13, 2019 – Conference Call

October 8, 2019 – Southern California – TBD

December 10, 2019 – Conference Call

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

## **11. Adjourn Meeting:**

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

## **Standing Roster of Sub-Committee Members**

### **Legislative and Regulatory ([leg/reg@carcga.org](mailto:leg/reg@carcga.org)):**

Ann Diamond (co-chair)	Cliff Concello	Marshall Johnson	Jeff Patrick
Colette Shelly (co-chair)	Alan Coppola	Brad Jones	Gil Rivas
Gilbert Aceves	Ryan Dove	Tom Kaczmarek	Zachary Scofield
Jared Ajlouny	Paul Evans	Paul Krahl	Sunil Shori
Pritpal Aujla	Todd Farrell	Ross Leverett	Matt Smylie
Rick B	Jorge Gil-Blanco	Deanna Lewotsky	Bob Thorpe
Kev Bagoian	Shane Granberg	Steve Marositz	Tim Thrift
Nan Bailey	Caleb Haus	Mike Marrero	William Vogl
Jerry Bufford	Anthony Headley	John McMahon	James Wingate
Bob Carpenter	Brandon Hosang	Michael O'Donnell	Thomas Young
Francis Christensen	Travis Huston	James O'Kane	

### **Education Programs and Marketing ([education@carcga.org](mailto:education@carcga.org)):**

Michael Worster (co-chair)	Drew Cooper	Anthony Headley	Gil Rivas
Jared Ajlouny (co-chair)	Alan Coppola	Christopher Kenney	Michael Rukavina
Gilbert Aceves	Amber Dahl	Paul Krahl	Aaron Scott
Pritpal Aujla	David Delgado	Valerie Lertyaovant	Vicky Shankling
Rick B	Ann Diamond	Deanna Lewotsky	Sunil Shori
Jerry Bufford	Ryan Dove	Mike Marrero	Thomas Stevens
Bob Carpenter	Paul Evans	Enrique Miranda	Tim Thrift
Francis Christensen	Sarah Goodfellow	Colin Miyadi	William Vogl
Cliff Concello	Russell Guidry	Jeff Patrick	Alexander Williams

### **Subsurface & Safety Incident Prevention ([ssip@carcga.org](mailto:ssip@carcga.org)):**

Steve Woo (co-chair)	Ann Diamond	Jamie Himes	Aaron Rezendez
Thomas Young (co-chair)	Ryan Dove	Brandon Hosang	Gil Rivas
Gilbert Aceves	Paul Evans	Don Hunt	Michael Rukavina
Jared Ajlouny	Todd Farrell	Travis Huston	Zachary Scofield
Pritpal Aujla	Jorge Gil-Blanco	Bill Johns	Vicky Shankling
Rick B	Keith Gockel	Jared Johnson	Colette Shelly
Tony Burnham	Jose Gonzalez	Tom Kaczmarek	Sunil Shori
Adrian Calixtro	David Graham	Paul Krahl	Ronda Shupert
Randy Charland	Ryan Graham	Deanne Lewotsky	Shant Simonian
Cliff Concello	Russell Guidry	Catherine Mankins	Matt Smylie
Alan Coppola	Caleb Haus	Enrique Miranda	Tim Thrift
Victor Davis	Scott Hazlett	James O'Kane	Alexander Williams
David Delgado	Anthony Headley	Jeff Patrick	Matthew Woods



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✓	David Blakeslee	Crimson Pipeline LLC	dblakeslee@crimsonpl.com	Oil
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