

CA Regional CGA Committee Minutes
April 11, 2019

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 read the objective and called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.

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. Colette Shelly moved to accept the minutes as emailed and Thomas Young seconded. Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. Dig Safe Board Update

Ann Diamond reported for Tony Marino on the Dig Safe Board. A workshop was done on March 28th to get input on AB1914 regulations. There were 75 people that participated and it was a very productive discussion. Due to the success of that workshop another workshop is scheduled for April 24 to get feedback on reasonable care standards. The next Dig Safe Board meeting will be on April 15/16 and discussions will be on modifying or eliminating the renewal requirement for the annual Ag tickets for areas in which no buried infrastructure is present, pending legislation including AB1166 which would require operators to use electronic positive response and starting accident investigations. The Board will have to vote on regulations in its July meeting to meet its statutory deadlines so draft language will be circulated in May about AB1914 and Ag ticket renewals. The second annual Spring Forum survey is available until May 1st and the Dig Safe Board wants to hear from you. What do you think are the big issues the Board needs to address, where you want the Board to focus its education efforts or ask questions about every day work practices. Board members will review your input and discuss at the May 13th/14th meeting in San Francisco at the CPUC building. For the survey, agenda and staff reports go to <https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov>

5. CGA Update

Ann noted that April was National Safe Digging Month. She said that the CGA annual conference was held the last week of March in Tampa. She said the Best Practices committee approved the cross-bore determination and mitigation practice and it would go before the Board for approval. Best Practices is also looking at clarifying the definition of Tolerance

Zone, mapping proposed facilities, abandoned lines, modification to practice 4-5 and one-call centers informing callers that privately owned facilities may exist. Ann noted that she had ordered new best practice booklets and if anyone wants one to let her know. She should have them at the June meeting. She said that the One Call Systems International committee is looking at a common definition of private utilities and the Data Reporting and Evaluation will be reviewing the 2018 DIRT data. Ann mentioned that CA811 DIRT had 10,227 incident events input for 2018 and will now begin analyzing for the report. She also said the Technology committee is developing case study guidelines and will review the Best Practices for areas where existing technology references maybe outdated or new references could be added. Finally, Ann said that next year CGA will have its conference in Palm Springs March 23-28 and that Infrastructures Resources will be at the June CARCGA meeting to get ideas of what key stake holders in California want to have for workshops and panels.

Thomas Young said that the Best Practice to clarify the definition of tolerance zone should be something that we need to keep our eye on. Aaron Rezendez said that a take away from the conference was how many are using predictive analytics. Thomas Young agreed and said data collection, data use and data sharing were a big topic as were other ways to promote damage prevention besides calling before you dig.

6. Notification Center Updates

Ryan White reported USA North811 has had a crazy start to 2019 with over 100,000 tickets being taken every month, which is a 23% increase over 2018. 75.5% of the tickets were done online. 9 of the top 10 days for tickets occurred in March. He said that the ticket standardization that went into effect on March 1 did have a few bumps and bugs as they had more changes than DigAlert did to get both centers with the same format and types. He said a new phone system is targeted for July and should have everything a top tier center needs. He said that a new partnership with the Oakland A's will have signage for all 81 home games that use the foul pole as the handle of a shovel and a picture of a shovel head and then a banner next to it with call before you dig.

Ann said DigAlert wasn't having as great a year as USA North811 but despite the rain the center has taken 3% more tickets so far in 2019. 76% of the calls are coming in on 811 and almost 50% of the tickets are being done online and 88% of renewals are being done online. She said the center had its 3rd busiest day in its history in March but unfortunately the center also recorded its longest hold time. She said that once DigAlert Direct, the new online ticket entry, was deployed hold times should go back down. She said that DigAlert had a few minor hiccups with the March 1st format change but they were found early and corrected.

7. Committee Reports:

A. Board of Directors Update.

Marshall said that Colette Shelly had been elected as the Vice Chair of CARCGA at the Board of Directors meeting. Ann briefly went over the financial information and noted that a stakeholder member had an issue with their credit card company that denied charges not just ours and that was the disputed charge on the financials. She said the member had since paid their dues. She also said that 4 stakeholder members were sent letter giving them until April 30th to become current or would be switched to associate member status. The current account balance stands at \$12,813.10.

B. Subsurface Safety and Incident Prevention Committee Update.

Steve Woo reported that the committee had come to consensus on reasonable care standards for working on dirt roads and grading shoulders. He went over the recommendations. A copy of the consensus document and the questions the committee had been asking and results is attached. He said at the next meeting they will be looking at what path forward they should be taking.

C. Education Programs and Marketing Committee Update.

Michael Worster said it's 1 week until the Mock Strike event. He said booths are still available. The event is being held in conjunction with the SRBX Safety Expo. Sunil Shori asked if there would be a CARCGA banner. After some discussion, it was determined a banner without a logo, since we are rebranding at this time, would be made for the event. Drew Cooper said that Facebook and linkedin were sharing the event. Ann noted that a Mock Strike event will be happening at the Orange County Fire Training Academy on August 9.

D. Legislative and Regulatory Committee Update.

Ann reported that AB1166 would be heard in the Utilities and Energy committee on April 24. This is the bill that would make electronic positive response (EPR) mandatory. She said that a date hadn't yet been decided for when that would become mandatory as the date was left blank but she said it will probably be January 2021. She said that should give operators time to get systems in place to automatically supply their responses to the centers EPR. There were some questions if this was the same bill as the one that was asking the CPUC to get all tickets. Ann said yes that language had been scrapped and the EPR language put in. Another question about if gravity sewers had to respond electronically since they didn't have to be members. Ann said if they receive a ticket they need to respond.

8. Old Business

A. CARCGA Logo Contest

Ann encouraged everyone to get their creative ideas going for a new CARCGA logo and to submit forms by June 30th.

9. New Business

Colette Shelly asked if any other stakeholders had issues with request for remarks because the resident had blacked out the markings. There was discussion that included if it was mandatory for the excavator to remove the marks maybe the resident wouldn't remove it themselves, to is this really a problem, to communication with the resident, to having a mandate to not have marks removed by an unauthorized person. Marshall referred the matter to the SSIP committee to review.

Pete Cerda asked what CARCGA's position on AB1914 was. Marshall informed the group that CARCGA hadn't taken a position as the matter was being discussed by the Dig Safe Board. After some discussion, it was referred to the Legislative/Regulatory committee for review.

10. Future Meetings

June 13, 2019 – Northern California – PG&E – location pending
August 8, 2019 – Conference Call
October 10, 2019 – Southern California – TBD
December 12, 2019 – Conference Call
All CARCGA meetings are scheduled from 9:30am until 1:30pm

11. Adjourn Meeting:

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.

Standing Roster of Sub-Committee Members

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

Ann Diamond (co-chair)	Cliff Concello	Marshall Johnson	James O’Kane
Colette Shelly (co-chair)	Alan Coppola	Brad Jones	Jeff Patrick
Gilbert Aceves	Ryan Dove	Tom Kaczmariski	Gil Rivas
Jared Ajlouny	Paul Evans	Paul Krahl	Zachary Scofield
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Rick B	Jorge Gil-Blanco	Deanna Lewotsky	Matt Smylie
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Nan Bailey	Caleb Haus	Mike Marrero	Tim Thrift
Jerry Bufford	Anthony Headley	John McMahon	William Vogl
Bob Carpenter	Brandon Hosang	Erich Metzger	James Wingate
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