

CA Regional CGA Committee Minutes
PG&E
1 PGE Way
Winters, CA
June 13, 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 called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. and read the objective. He thanked Cliff Concello and PG&E for the tour of the facility and for the use of the room for the meeting.

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

4. Dig Safe Board Update

Kerstin Lock Tomlinson reported that the board had just finished their June meeting. A packet of draft regulations about hand tools and Area of Continual Excavation (ACE) tickets renewal was discussed for an anticipated vote at the July meeting. She said that regulations on enforcement were in their 45 day review period and would be voted on at the July meeting. Kerstin said they are also working on education and outreach. Cliff Concello asked if the investigators can engage with unsafe excavators and Kerstin responded that there will be a complaint process. Colette Shelly asked about the regulations and how they interact with 4216. Regulations are read in combination with section 4216. For agendas, documents and regulations go to the Dig Safe Board website at <https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov/>

5. Infrastructure Resources

Karin Strub from Infrastructure Resources told everyone about the 2020 CGA Excavation Safety Conference & Expo that will be held in Palm Springs from March 24 to 26. She asked if anyone had ideas for panels or sessions. She said that some will have continuing education credits (CEC) attached to them. Some ideas included disaster recovery with insurance companies and a common language session. She said registration will open in August. She

noted that if the right topics that are of interest to stakeholders in California are included, it will make a long-term positive impact on damage prevention.

6. CGA Update

Ann Diamond said that CGA was holding its summer committee meetings in San Diego the week of July 22 to 25. Thomas Young added that Best Practices and Technology committees will be collaborating as their objectives were aligned.

7. Notification Center Updates

Ryan White reported that USA North 811 was seeing a 30% increase in tickets in 2019. He said the top 10 ticket days in the center's history all have occurred this year. 76% percent of the tickets are being done online and 77% of calls are coming in on 811. He said that a new phone system will be coming in at the end of July. He said that 811 was a winner riding on War of Will at the Preakness. Colette Shelly asked about the mobile app development and Ryan said that there are some issues with the mapping lookup. Marshall Johnson asked about tickets for pole treating having only 1 pole per ticket. Ryan said there were discrepancies between the number of poles on the maps versus the actual number on site.

Ann Diamond reported that April 2019 was the busiest in the center's history. Unlike USA North 811, DigAlert was only running at 6% increase in tickets and 50% online. She did say that now that DigAlert Direct was operational online ticket percentages should increase. She said that with DigAlert Direct if the map finds the location then a ticket number is issued immediately without center intervention.

8. Committee Reports:

A. Board of Directors Update.

Ann Diamond reported that in April there were 4 stakeholder members that still hadn't paid their 2019 dues and a final notice was sent to them. 2 of the 4 paid and the other 2 members were now associate members. She reported that the current bank account balance was \$12,429.62 and the April Mock Strike event cost about \$800.

B. Subsurface Safety and Incident Prevention Committee Update.

Thomas Young reported that the SSIP committee had discussed a position on AB1914 and the Dig Safe Board's regulation. A letter was written to the Dig Safe Board that vacuum excavation should be considered as a hand tool along with the regulations they were proposing. He said that many states follow CGA Best practice 5-20 that allows for vacuum use when hand exposing lines. Kerstin Lock Tomlinson said that since vacuum use and its rules are in statute any changes would have to be through legislation. Marshall Johnson said CARCGA could introduce legislation. Ann Diamond said that Dig Safe Board did say they would probably have recommendations for changes to 4216 in February 2020.

C. Education Programs and Marketing Committee Update.

Michael Worster thanked Tim Thrift, SMUD, Cliff Concello, USA North 811, Golden State Utilities and Utilquest for their assistance during the April Mock Strike Event that was held in conjunction with the Builders Exchange Expo. He said there was some media presence but hadn't seen it posted anywhere. He said that the next event was August 9th at the Orange County Fire Authority. Invitations for sponsors would be sent out soon and for attendees mid-July.

D. Legislative and Regulatory Committee Update.

Ann Diamond said that AB1166 – mandatory Electronic Positive Response – had passed the assembly and was now working its way through the senate.

9. Old Business

A. CARCGA Logo Contest

Ann Diamond said that there hadn't been any submissions for the CARCGA logo and that a professional would need to be contacted. James Wingate said that USA North 811 had a designer on retainer and would take a stab at a new logo. Randy Charland suggested 99 designs. Ann said that submissions should be in by June 30th.

10. New Business

A. Mutual Agreement for Later Start Date & Time

Ann Diamond said that Southwest Gas had asked about how other operators handle agreements when a different start date and time is negotiated than is on a ticket and how do they handle excavators that they can't reach to get a different start date for the job. Most agreed that electronic positive response could possibly take care of this issue.

11. Future Meetings

August 8, 2019 – Conference Call

October 10, 2019 – SeeScan – 3855 Ruffin Rd., San Diego

December 12, 2019 – Conference Call

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

12. Adjourn Meeting:

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

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	Paul Krahl	Gil Rivas
Jared Ajlouny	Paul Evans	Ross Leverett	Zachary Scofield
Pritpal Aujla	Todd Farrell	Deanna Lewotsky	Sunil Shori
Rick B	Jorge Gil-Blanco	Luis Maldonado	Matt Smylie
Kev Bagoian	Shane Granberg	Steve Marositz	Bob Thorpe
Nan Bailey	Caleb Haus	Mike Marrero	Tim Thrift
Jerry Bufford	Anthony Headley	John McMahon	William Vogl
Bob Carpenter	Brandon Hosang	Erich Metzger	James Wingate
Francis Christensen	Travis Huston	Michael O’Donnell	Thomas Young

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

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

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

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



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	Gilbert Aceves	Southern California Edison	Gilbert.Aceves@sce.com	Electric
	Jared Ajlouny	DACO Construction	jared@dacococonstructs.com	Excavator
	Dorie Anderson	Sacramento Area Sewer District	andersond@sacsewer.com	Sewer
	Pritpal Aujla	Utiliquest	prtipal.aujla@utiliquest.com	Locator
	Rick B	Advanced Infrastructure Technologies	rickb@advancedworld.com	Locator
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	Nanette Bailey	Sacramento Area Sewer District	baileyn@sacsewer.com	Sewer
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	Doug Beeler	Beeler Construction	dawnabeeler@sbcglobal.net	Excavator
	David Blakeslee	Crimson Pipeline LLC	dblakeslee@crimsonpl.com	Oil
<i>JM</i>	Jerry Bufford	SMUD	jbuffo1@smud.org	Gas
	Tony Burnham	Anvil Builders	tburnham@anvilbuilders.com	Excavator
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	Alan Coppola	Travelers	acoppola@travelers.com	Insurance
	Mark Crossland	Plains All American Pipeline	mtcrossland@paalp.com	Oil
<i>Phone</i>	Amber Dahl	Underground Service Alert of SC	amber@digalert.org	Notification Center
<i>Phone</i>	Victor Davis	AT&T	VD1619@ATT.COM	Telecommunication



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	Susen Doubrava	Helix Water District	susen.doubrava@helixwater.org	Water
	Ryan Dove	SoCal Gas	rdove@semprautilities.com	Gas
	Paul Evans	Ghilotti Construction	paule@ghilotti.com	Road Builders
	Todd Farrell	Haaker Equipment Co.	todd.farrell@haaker.com	Equipment Manufacturer
	Ed Flowers	Badger Daylighting	eflowers@badgerinc.com	Excavator
	Jorge Gil-Blanco	PG&E	jorge.gil-blanco@pge.com	Gas
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	Sarah Goodfellow	3M	sgoodfellow@mmm.com	Equipment Manufacturer
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	Caleb Haus	KRC SAFETY CO., INC.	Calebh@KRCSAFETY.COM	Excavator
	Scott Hazlett	SDG&E	shazlett@semprautilities.com	Gas
<i>GH</i>	Anthony Headley	West Valley Construction	aheadley@wvcc.com	Excavator
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	Brandon Hosang	Phillips 66	HOSANBS@P66.COM	Oil



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	Jared Johnson	MGE Underground	jared@mgeunderground.com	Excavator
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	Deanna Lewotsky	DLEW Services	dlewservices@gmail.com	Oil
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	Michael O'Donnell	Otay Water District	MIKE.ODONNELL@OTAYWATER.GOV	Water
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