

**CA Regional CGA Committee Minutes
West Valley Construction
655 Campbell Technology Parkway #250 - Campbell, CA
February 20, 2020**

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 9:35 a.m. and read the objective. He thanked Anthony Headley and West Valley Construction 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. Thomas Young moved to accept the minutes and Anthony Headley seconded. Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved as emailed.

4. CGA Update

Sarah Magruder Lyle, President & CEO of Common Ground Alliance, gave a presentation about what the CGA had been doing and where it is going. She highlighted that the Best Practices is streamlining its process as some transaction records have been around for years. She said one can't just say no that they have to come up with a solution or suggestion. She said that the mentality is often "is versus ought". She said that DIRT is not getting enough information from excavators – they were not telling their story. Her PowerPoint presentation can be downloaded [here](#).

5. Dig Safe Board Update

Kerstin Lock Tomlinson reported that early in February the Board had met in Long Beach to discuss what would be a good cause for an extension for the mandatory electronic positive response. The next meeting in April the Board will have draft language for the emergency regulation on good cause. She said that the Office of Administrative Law would hopefully have the regulations for enforcement in April and the hand tool usage in July. She said the Spring Open forum would be in May or June. For agendas, documents and regulations go to the Dig Safe Board website at <https://digsafe.fire.ca.gov/>.

6 Notification Center Updates

Ryan White from USA North 811 reported that 2019 was a great year with a 41% increase in tickets; almost 1.8 million tickets with 1.4 being done online. He said calls were down and the web was up – a trend they want to see. He said the biggest reason for the increase in tickets was pole work that accounted for almost 25% of the tickets. Also, the rebuilding in areas from the wildfires. He said that they had just come back from the World Ag Expo in Tulare last week. Their air cannon corn hole game is always a great draw for the 100,000 attendees.

Ann Diamond reported that DigAlert along with its partners – So Cal Gas, SDG&E, Energy Transfer, Georgia 811, JULIE – the notification center in Illinois, Ohio Utility Protection Services and USA North 811 on January 1, 2020 travelled down Colorado Blvd for the Rose Parade. She said while the float didn't win an award this year, the coverage was excellent with an estimated 750,000 people on the parade route and 40.8 million TV viewers. She said the center is currently fundraising to have a float in the 2021 parade. If anyone is interested in sponsoring let her know as soon as possible. She said that DigAlert didn't have as blockbuster of a 2019 as USA North 811 but ended the year with 17 broken records including the most tickets in a year, over 850,000 and the most web tickets. She said that on Tuesday February 18 the center took the most tickets in its history on a day 5,371. She said that 2020 looked like it would be the roaring 20's again as the center was experiencing an 11% increase over 2019 so far. She hoped it wasn't because there had been no rain in Southern California but was due to more awareness and people getting tickets before digging.

Marshall Johnson asked if the centers are down, is there something that can be put out so that everyone not just members know. Discussion included having separate steps for excavators and members, written procedures and the difficulties in getting the word out to all stakeholders.

7. Committee Reports

A. Board of Directors Update

Marshall Johnson said the Board had looked at a new design for the CARCGA logo in January and asked the designer for a couple of tweaks that will be reviewed at the March Board of Directors meeting. He said the financials showed a current balance of \$17,788.63. Randy Charland moved to accept the financials as presented and Erich Metzger seconded. The motion carried.

B. Subsurface Safety and Incident Prevention Committee Update.

Thomas Young reported that the committee had sent recommendations on ticket sizes to the centers Ticket Continuity Committee. The committee had come to agreement on ½ mile maximum, 2 mile maximum on freeways or railroads, intermittent locations, county lines and bounded areas. The one proposed ticket size that the committee could not reach a conclusion was one street per ticket. The benefits of smaller ticket sizes and more succinct area descriptions was recognized, however the unknown costs and increased administration duties due to the expected increase in the numbers of tickets needing to be created and managed created concerns. The committee is now looking at private utility mark outs – what colors and nomenclature to use, shallow excavation as well as what “in conflict” is.

C. Education Programs and Marketing Committee Update.

Michael Worster said that there would be a single event this year in remembrance of the 10-year anniversary of the San Bruno incident. The conference style event will be in July at Skyline Community College in San Bruno. He said that it would have different stations – booths providing safety and the 811 process information. Each station would be about

30 minutes and hold 30 people per station. The committee would be meeting on February 27th to discuss further.

D. Legislative and Regulatory Committee Update.

Colette Shelly updated the group that the committee had a productive meeting about SB865. She said there are 3 basic sections of 4216 that were affected 4216.2 – training, 4216.3 – new lines being tagged with GPS and 4216.4 c – when to contact 911 and the centers about damages. She said that other issues that CARCGA might want to change include the second step in getting permission to use vacuum equipment when hand exposing now that electronic positive response will mandatory as well as “in conflict begin defined or clear guidance on how much deeper than their planned level an excavator must go to expose lines in conflict. Ann Diamond said that AB2334 was introduced to change 4216.7 to allow for attorney’s costs in civil actions or arbitrations between operators and excavators.

8. Old Business

Nothing to report.

9. New Business

A. Near Damage Process

Marshall Johnson told the group about a presentation from the January Dig Safe Board meeting. An excavator had a job site that had markings from a facility owner, but the excavator observed no markings from a landmark. The excavator and facility owner scheduled a field meet and a different locator was sent out to remark the line. The excavator exposed the line and contacted the facility owner that the markings didn’t correspond to the second locating during the field meet. The facility owner sent out a new locator and corrected the previous markings. The maps were never updated. The issue was corrected on site but never reported back to the facility owner mapping or supervisor. This did not become a disaster because the excavator noticed the landmark should have had some markings coming from it and questioned. Once again proving damage prevention is a shared responsibility.

B. EPR Seminars

Marshall Johnson said that CARCGA should look at hosting EPR seminars to help get the word out the facility owners. Michael Worster said that EPR could be a station at the July event. Thomas Young suggested a CGA webinar, Anthony Headley suggested sending information to the facility owners legal department. James Wingate suggested getting insurance companies involved. Marshall noted that many large companies are self-insured.

Sunil Shori suggested CARCGA have a technology committee. After some discussion about what the committee would do to further damage prevention in California, Marshall said the Board of Directors would consider it and see if a mission statement and purpose could be developed.

10. Future Meetings

April 16, 2020 – Conference Call
June 18, 2020 – SC Edison Air Operations – 7000 Merrill Ave Bldg A-290 – Chino, CA
August 20, 2020 – Conference Call
October 15, 2020 – USA North 811 – 4005 Port Chicago Hwy #100, Concord, CA
December 17, 2020 – Conference Call

11. Adjourn Meeting:

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Standing Roster of Sub-Committee Members

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

Ann Diamond (co-chair)	Steve Cleaver	Marshall Johnson	James O’Kane
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Gilbert Aceves	Ryan Dove	Paul Krahl	Gil Rivas
Jared Ajlouny	Todd Farrell	Ross Leverett	Zachary Scofield
Pritpal Aujla	Jim Frair	Deanna Lewotsky	Sunil Shori
Kev Bagoian	Jorge Gil-Blanco	Luis Maldonado	Matt Smylie
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Dorothy Bergman	Gina Hartman	Mike Marrero	Tim Thrift
Jerry Bufford	Caleb Haus	John McMahon	William Vogl
Jeffrey Burns	Anthony Headley	Erich Metzger	James Wingate
Bob Carpenter	Brandon Hosang	Dino Montez	Thomas Young
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Mark Crossland	Scott Hazlett	Jeff Patrick	Matthew Woods
Victor Davis	Anthony Headley	Garry Percival	
David Delgado	Jamie Himes	Bill Perkins	



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