

Nevada Regional Common Ground Alliance – NRCGA
Meeting Minutes: June 21, 2016
Meeting at NV Energy Locations, Las Vegas & Reno



Meeting Attendees:

Name	Company
Alex Murray	ELM
Belinda Strickland	CenturyLink
Billy Relph	CenturyLink
Boyd Duchene	CCWRD
Cesar Castillo	RP Weddell
Craig Rogers	PUCN
Daniel Adesina	PUCN
Dave Dahl	Kern River
Dennis Bott	Southwest Gas
Dick Schneider	Trench Shoring
George Browne	ELM
Gloria Grev	Southwest Gas
Greg Noel	USIC
Harold Lefler	ELM
Jack Byrom	TMWA
Jackson Bergland	ELM
Jamie Haas	Paiute Pipeline
Jay Mendiola	NV Energy
Kimberly Granath-Musil	Cox Communications
Mike Moody	Southwest Gas
Robert Ward	NV Energy
Roger Brady	Trench Plate Rental
Rudy Ricardo	Southwest Gas
Ryan White	USA North 811
Troy Ware	NPL
Ty Doram	CCPW
Verlyn Bailey	TransCanada

Standing Items:

1. Introductions (Jay Mendiola)

Committee attendees introduced themselves from both locations. Troy Ware and Verlyn Bailey attended via teleconference.

2. Adoption of the Agenda (Jay Mendiola)

The agenda was adopted as presented.

3. Financial Status Report – for Information Only (Gloria Grev)

The NRCGA currently has \$32,000. There is no approved 2016 budget at this time.

4. Enforcement Actions (Craig Rogers)

The PUCN issued one written warning to an excavator. They also gave five verbal warnings in the past month.

5. Regulatory Update (PUCN)

There is nothing new to report.

6. CGA Best Practices (Ryan White)

Ryan had nothing to report at this time.

USA North 811 is working on an updated excavator handbook for Nevada in both English and Spanish.

7. Public Awareness Initiatives

The NRCGA promoted 811 at two golf events down south and one up north. Jay thanked Jay Higgins, Mike Moody, Ken Saarem, and Dan Adzeling for helping at the golf event up north.

The NRCGA purchased 300 divot repair tools as swag at these tournaments for about \$450. (They were distributed to Bob and Jay.)

Dave Dahl is updating the emergency phone number card for both north and south. Jay helped with contact numbers up north.

Community outreach up north included a Home Depot event and a business expo.

New Business:

8. 2016 Budget (Jay Mendiola)

Niel joined this committee along with Kenya Henderson, Jack Byrom and Gloria Grev.

Kenya provided a draft based on last year's budget.

9. Silver Shovel Award (Craig Rogers)

The following people volunteered for this committee: Harold, Belinda, Dennis, Greg, Jay, and Mike.

This committee met today at 9 a.m.

This group proposed two things regarding the Event:

- It was proposed that the winner will be sent to the CGA Conference. The NRCGA will pay for the plane ticket, lodging and food.
 - We will have to come up with more detail on what qualifies the winner.
 - Subcommittee will look into this.
- Add a "Best Locator Award" and the winner will be sent to the Locate Rodeo in Houston Texas.
 - The NRCGA will reach out to see if we could get the entrance fee waved.
 - The NRCGA will send the locator and pay for plane ticket, room, and meals.

10. TAG Grant (Kenya Henderson)

Kenya was not at this meeting. However, she emailed that a report to PHMSA is in process. There were four classes conducted by ELM for locator training. The TAG Grant money was used to pay for this training. Thanks to Dawn Rivard for leading this effort.

11. Membership (Gloria Grev)

A new membership plaque was sent to USIC.

Sub-Committee Reports:

12. Education/Training Committee (Jay Mendiola, Tom Georgi, Bob Ward, Cesar Castillo)

NRCGA training was given to people from IES and Coleman. Worldwide Safety is scheduled for this Thursday.

The next meeting will feature two NRCGA training presentations.

Dennis Bott shared a method to track training attendees and future sessions. He will meet with Dawn to discuss adding functionality to the NRCGA website.

13. Next Meeting, Tuesday, July 19, 2016

14. USA North 811 (USAN) – NV Committee Update

The group discussed long hold times for people calling in tickets. USA North 811 is averaging 10 minutes whereas the CGA Best Practice is two minutes. The center is reviewing options to reduce the hold time. They continue to promote online ticket entry.