



Agenda

MEETING DATE: March 19, 2024

TIME: 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

LOCATIONS:

- **MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING**

- **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**
9075 W. DIABLO DRIVE, #250, LAS VEGAS NV 89148

The Short Notice Ticket Committee convened on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, to address the growing concerns around the standards for issuing short notice tickets for excavation. During the meeting, it was acknowledged that there is a significant need to define when a short notice ticket is genuinely necessary, as opposed to being a result of poor planning.

Lynsay Demko from Southwest Gas provided insightful data showing the current trends in short notice tickets within their system. It was revealed that a large portion of these tickets were not backed by valid reasons but rather by a lack of proper planning. This insight sparked a crucial discussion on establishing clearer standards.

Additionally, representatives from Hole Hogz contributed valuable examples from their experience, illustrating scenarios where a short notice ticket is justified. The group reached a consensus that a short notice ticket is appropriate when work is conducted at a site previously covered under a legally issued and marked ticket. This agreement will help shape the criteria being developed.

Ryan presented statistics from USA North 811, highlighting that short notice tickets accounted for approximately 2.35% of all tickets in Nevada in 2023, with a slight decrease to 2.33% in 2024. This consistency indicates a stable but noticeable impact on the overall ticketing system.

The committee has resolved to further explore this issue by individually providing detailed opinions on what constitutes a valid reason for a short-notice ticket. These insights will be collected via email by Ryan and discussed in our next meeting. The ultimate goal is to propose definitions and guidelines that could be integrated into Nevada law to standardize the process and ensure efficiency and fairness in urgent excavation needs.

We look forward to refining these standards to better serve the community and stakeholders involved.