



Minutes

MEETING DATE: May 13, 2025

TIME: 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

LOCATIONS:

- **ONLINE: MICROSOFT TEAMS**
- **IN-PERSON: SOUTHWEST GAS, 1060 ALPER CENTER DRIVE, HENDERSON**

ATTENDANCE:

(In Person)

Dennis Bott, Director, PUCN

Dawn Rivard, Secretary/Treasurer, PUCN

Cesar Castillo, Director, RP Weddell

Lynsay Demko, Director, Southwest Gas

Austin Benedict, Director, ELM

Lance Olson, Director, City of Henderson

Scott Allen, Director, Las Vegas Paving

Charles Folashade, FMG Inc.

Chance Walker, Southwest Gas

Terry Harpt, Southwest Gas

Daniel Kimminau, Advanced Space Company

James Wingate, USA North 811

(Online)

Ryan White, Vice-Chair, USA North 811

Boyd Duchene, Director, CCWRD

Rick Torrens, KCI Engineering

Wayne Scott, AT&T

Adam Zeciri, Sub-T & Locating Dynamics

Sid Munivelu, PelicanCorp

Kristen Garcia, NV Energy

Jeremy Crawford, Director, Kern River Gas

STANDING ITEMS:

1. Introduction (Dennis Bott for Kristen Garcia)

Kristen Garcia was out sick and Dennis Bott subbed in her absence.

2. Adoption of the Agenda (Dennis Bott for Kristen Garcia)

Cesar Castillo made a motion to adopt the agenda. Ryan White seconded the motion.

3. 50 in 5 (Kristen Garcia & Lynsay Demko)

No update.

NEW BUSINESS:

4. Welcome New Members (Dennis Bott for Kristen Garcia)

Welcome Sub-T and Locating Dynamics! Adam Zechiri from Sub-T introduced Sub-T, a utility locator training, certification, and consulting service.

5. AI Notetakers – Limited to one; Minutes are available after the meeting

The NRGCA Board decided to only allow one official AI note-taker (USA North Fathom) for meetings. Official meeting notes will be posted to nrcga.org website.

6. Senate Bill 214 – Revises provisions relating to excavations (Lynsay Demko)

The bill is dead.



7. Creation of a task force to address facilities embedded in the sidewalk – Cesar will Chair
 - Task force to address issues with utilities embedded in pavement.
 - The task force will be chaired by Cesar Castillo.
 - Will engage utilities, PUCN, and excavators to find solutions.
 - Several members volunteered to join task force.
8. Furthering the design ticket process and sharing maps (Charles Folashade)
 - Discussion on improving design ticket process and sharing utility maps.
 - USA North developing member select tool and auto no-response features.
 - Debate on benefits/challenges of sharing more detailed map data.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

9. Silver Shovel (Dawn Rivard)

- C&S Company is the Silver Shovel winner.
- New process implemented to allow all excavators with 50 or more tickets to compete.
- New location, approx. 150 people in attendance, lots of raffles.
- Craig Rogers Award introduced.

10. Craig Rogers Award (Lynsay Demko)

- Trophy was debuted at Silver Shovel ceremony.
- Every year, 3 winners will be listed on the cup – Locate Rodeo, Silver Shovel, and Craig Rogers Award.
- The trophy will be housed at the PUCN.
- Criteria for Craig Rogers Award candidates will be announced soon.
- The Craig Rogers Award winner will be announced at future Silver Shovel events.

11. Education and Training Committee (Chance Walker & Austin Benedict)

- 783 people and 75 companies trained so far in 2023
- On track to exceed 2022 numbers (1,567 people, 118 companies)
- Updating training content based on 2022 feedback
- Developing new digital sign-in and certificate process

12. Operations Committee (Ryan White)

USA North 811 Update:

- 50th anniversary celebrations held recently
- Mobile app ticket submissions up 34% this year
- New dispute ticket feature in testing, planned August 1st launch



- Developing new mapping tool to view tickets geographically
- Staffing shortages causing some increased call wait times
- Training offered in northern NV – Winnemucca and Elko

Positive Response Compliance

- PUC finding many excavators not yet following new electronic positive response requirements
- Focus on education rather than penalties currently
- Excavators using technology/apps showing better compliance

Next Meeting: July 8, TBD location in Southern Nevada