



**Date:** February 10, 2022

**Location:** Remote via Google Meet and at 633 17th St., Denver, CO, 80202.

**Present:**

✓	Chris Kampmann	✓	Jeannette Jones		Mark Williams	✓	Rob Martindale
	Dale Kishbaugh		Jim Moody	✓	Patrick Fitzgerald	✓	Ted Jensen
✓	Dana Bijold	✓	Julie McCaleb		Raymond Swerdfeger	✓	Terri King
✓	Esther Williams	✓	Lori Warner		Rob Ellis		

\* Indicates arrival after roll call . - indicates technical difficulties during roll call

**Note:** The meeting was recorded and started at 10:00 am. These minutes represent a summary of this meeting and are not intended to be a verbatim document. Audio recordings of the meetings can be obtained by contacting [cdle\\_safetycommission@state.co.us](mailto:cdle_safetycommission@state.co.us).

**TRAINING COURSES**

- On the [Colorado.gov/SafetyCommission](http://Colorado.gov/SafetyCommission) website, there is a training tab with links to the CO 811 and ACEC courses that the Safety Commission has approved.

**BEST PRACTICES DEVELOPED & TO DO:**

- Best practices developed thus far (Electronically Locatable, Subsurface Utility Engineering, and Locating and Marking):
  - Locating and Marking references Common Ground Alliance’s (CGA) Best Practices 17.0. Since then, CGA has created an updated version 18.0, which has no changes in Chapters 4 & 5, which are the sections referenced in this Best Practice. Staff will update the Commission’s Best Practice to reflect the newer version of the CGA document.
  - The CGA Best Practices 18.0 does have new language regarding electronically locating, and this may apply to the Best Practice the Commission wrote. That can be considered for future revisions. Another item occurring in regards to electronically-locatable utilities is the question ‘What happens when something is not electronically locatable?’ The Excavation Act only addresses new installations, and does not make any rules about old lines. Evolving technologies and individual processes may help with this in the future, and the Commission did not make any decisions about their Best Practice at this point.
  - New Commissioners were given time to ask questions about the previously-developed Best Practices and get all Commissioners on the same page as to what has been previously written and produced.
- Communicating the start of Large Projects:
  - Initial discussion included the need to better define what this Best Practice would cover
  - Nothing in the Act specifically addresses communicating timelines for multi-year projects.
  - Ted Jensen to Chair this Best Practice; Jeannette Jone to support that transition with initial planning (meeting).
- Other Best Practices to consider for the future:

- Road grading - has had several stakeholder meetings facilitated by the Division of Oil and Public Safety (OPS). An infographic was developed with CO 811 and Colorado Counties (CCI). At this time, with the work being done within CO 811 and by counties, it might be best to let the process in progress play out through June and determine after that work is completed if there are gaps that the Commission should address.
- Farmers/Ranchers - agriculture might benefit from some resources in understanding CO 811
- Excavating within the tolerance zone
- Damage investigation protocol
- Moving forward when locates are not performed
- Hearing preparation
- What to do with abandoned facilities when identified
- Facilities that are not electronically locateable
- Gold shovel program - improving damage prevention?

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- The group discussed the items to present to the full Safety Commission.

The next meeting is March 10.

Meeting adjourned.