



**Jones/Onslow
Utilities Coordinating Committee (UCC)
Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2019**

Opening prayer at 11:32 am
Lunch – Sponsored by United Rental / Israel Willett
Meeting began at 11:58 pm

Chairman Ralph Murphy welcomed everyone and asked that they please sign in and silence their cell phones. He also welcomed any newcomers to our UCC Meeting and thanked Israel Willett/United Rental for providing lunch for today’s meeting. Ralph also asked that if anyone needs to take a phone call, to please step outside the door at the end of the hallway, as to not interrupt ongoing business.

Howard Corey (NC 811) reviewed all the new changes to the state laws. He also updated everyone on all the recent and future NC 811 events.

Looking at the numbers for July 2019 with Howard Corey (NC 811)

- For **July 2019** vs **July 2018**, there was an overall **15% increase** in locate tickets.
- **Jones County** had **930** locate requests, with an average of **6** tickets per day. That is a **35% increase** from **July 2018**.
- **Onslow County** had **2,648** locate requests, with an average of **132** tickets per day. That is a **33.5% increase** over **July 2018**.
- For **Jones County**, the majority of locates were requested in the **Trenton** and **Pollocksville** areas. For **Onslow County**, the majority of locates were requested in the **Jacksonville** and **Sneads Ferry** areas.

Donnie Smith, Powerline Technician Training Supervisor/Instructor at Coastal Carolina Community College gave a great presentation on ladder safety. He gave valuable information that was very beneficial to everyone. Thanks Donnie!

For informational purposes...Unitek (Locator for CenturyLink) contact number for Jason Crooks is 610-733-5325. Please save this number and call him if you have issues concerning CenturyLink locates.

****LOCAL UTILITY UPDATES****

City of Jacksonville – Locates, Locates, Locates!

Piedmont Natural Gas – Working at 3100 Western Blvd, Ramsey Rd, and on Piney Green Rd.

Lambert - Staying busy burying cable.

United Rental – Staying busy.

Parker & Associates – Needs locate at RV park on Dawson Cabin Rd.

Maser Consulting – Consulting service for NCDOT (Bruce Sheldon). Will come back for September meeting to discuss their work.

USIC – Busy.

PLURIS – Working on the plant on Sandridge in Hubert. Hwy 172 – will have to re-locate some lines.

JOEMC – Staying very busy, working in Sneads Ferry, Stone Bay Townhomes, Marsh Haven, Justice Farms, Garland Shores in Swansboro. Conversion work in Swansboro and Sneads Ferry. Running several hundred new services per month.

Ditch Witch – Staying busy.

ONWASA – Many new subdivisions and commercial projects. Nearing the end of the Transmission line project in Holly Ridge down Hwy 17 and Hwy 50. Many more projects coming up.

Coastal Carolina Community College – Donnie Smith reminded everyone about school going back in session. Please watch out for the kids and the school buses.

This meeting ended at 1:10 pm. There were 32 attendees.

These minutes were prepared by Jones/Onslow UCC Secretary, Sherry Jones.

Anytime you cannot make it to a UCC meeting and would like to voice a concern, you may use the NC 811 app to send it - simply use the "UCC Issues Form" button. Concerns may also be submitted online at www.ncucc.org, Just click on "Local UCC Issue" on the home page.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, September 19th @ 11:30 am.



Ladder Safety

“Smart People doing Stupid Things”



Ladder Safety Stats

There are more than 300 ladder-related deaths and over 130,000 emergency room visits related to ladders each year, as well as 2,000 ladder-related injuries every day.



Introduction

Although ladders are easy to use, they are often misused or abused, causing serious injuries and deaths. These deaths and injuries could have been significantly reduced or eliminated with proper care and use.



Reasons for falls from ladders

Why do people fall from ladders if they are so easy to use?

- Setting up the ladder on an unstable or slippery base surface is a primary reason ladders fall over.
- Overreaching by the user.
- Setting up the ladder improperly.
- Loss of balance.



Reasons for Falls (continued)

- Improperly getting onto or off of the ladder.
- Mis-stepping or a slipping of the foot while climbing or descending.
- Being bumped by a cart or other object.
- Having a vehicle run into or bump you.
- People not paying attention to where they're walking.



Whose coming through the door?

Thinking too Fast

(1) A bat and a ball cost \$1.10 in total. The bat costs \$1.00 more than the ball.

How much does the ball cost? _____ cents

(2) If it takes 5 machines 5 minutes to make 5 widgets, how long would it take 100 machines to make 100 widgets? _____ minutes

(3) In a lake, there is a patch of lily pads. Every day, the patch doubles in size. If it takes 48 days for the patch to cover the entire lake, how long would it take for the patch to cover half of the lake? _____ days



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Ladder Ratings and Labels

These ratings must meet certain American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards and they must be indicated on the duty rating sticker or manufacturer's label. ANSI requires that every ladder be labeled with this information so users can determine if they have the correct type of ladder for the task/job.

 200 lbs.	Light Duty Household use Type III	 225 lbs.	Medium Duty Painter & Handyman Type II	 250 lbs.	Heavy Duty Industrial Type I	 300 lbs.	Extra Heavy Duty Industrial Type IA	 375 lbs.	Special Duty Rugged Professional Type IAA
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Duty rating labels

Ratings and Labels (Continued)

Besides their ratings, labels and markings found on manufactured ladders contain product information, such as:

- Manufacturer's name
- Ladder's model number/name
- Month and year of manufacture
- Ladder's size/length, maximum working length,
- Highest standing level



Photos courtesy of Dept of Labor & Industries. Visit them at www.lni.wa.gov

Too Much to Handle

1926.1053(b)(22) An employee shall not carry any object or load that could cause the employee to lose balance and fall



*Secure items to carry them up a ladder –
do not carry items with your hands*

Ladder Composition

When selecting a ladder, you should consider the different properties: weight, durability, and other characteristics, like conductivity. Conductivity is important if you are working around power lines or other electrical or energized sources.

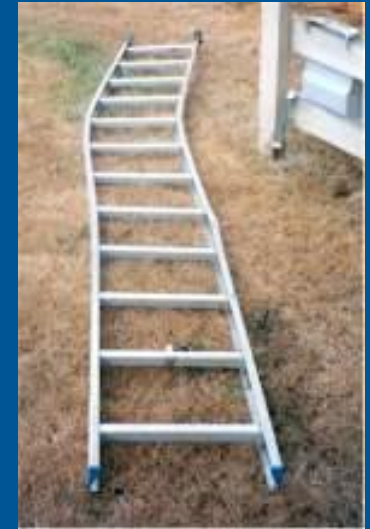


Dangerous practice!!

Avoid using metal ladders around power lines

Inspect ladders before use

Look for cracks, splits, dents, bends, corrosion, and missing hardware.



All of these ladders are unsafe and could fail if used by employees.



Mud, Oil or Grease

Keep shoes/boots free of slippery substances.



Inspect ladder rungs for any oil, grease, mud or other slippery substances which could affect traction.



Climbing or descending a ladder

When climbing a ladder, you must have both hands free and face the ladder. This allows for three points of contact with the ladder at all times and reduces the chances of falling. The three point contact is two hands and one foot or one hand and two feet.



Not this way

This way



Step Ladder Misuse

Rather than a firm, level surface, this stepladder is positioned on a fence so the such that the bottom step is taking the load rather than the side rails.

It doesn't extend three feet above the roof surface, is not secured, and the worker is standing on the top step to access roof.



This stepladder is being misused to access doorway.

Stepladders can't be used partially closed and leaned against the wall.

Step-Ladder Safety Tips

Open up step ladder legs completely and lock the spreader bar braces.

Don't stand on the top step or top cap.

Don't use it as a straight ladder to climb up to a higher surface.



Never use the top of a step ladder

Warning labels on stepladders clearly state that the top step and top cap are not to be used as a step. The higher you are on a step ladder, the less stable it becomes.



step ladder too short for this job



Doing this....



...could lead to this!!

Setting up an extension ladder

When working from an extension ladder, make sure it is set up at a 4:1 angle with secure footing on a firm level surface.

For accessing an upper level, make sure the extension ladder is set up at a 4:1 angle on a firm, level surface and the side rails extend at least 3' above the surface to be accessed. Lastly, make sure the extension ladder is secured at the top and bottom



Proper ladder set-up



Improper ladder set-up
(not 3 ft. above roof line)

Proper Extension Ladder Setup

For every four feet of ladder length measured from where the ladder contacts the support point, the base of the ladder should be one foot away from the supporting structure (one to four rule).

The ladder must extend at least three feet above the surface to provide safe access or be rigidly secured at the top with a grasping device if less than three feet.

The ladder in the photo contacts the supporting structure at 9 feet. This means that the base of the ladder should be 27 inches back from the support.



Determining proper ladder setup angle



One way to ensure proper angle is to stand with your feet at the base of the ladder and extend your arms straight out. If your hands just touch, the ladder will be very close to the 4 to 1 ratio.

1926.1053(b)(10) The top of a non-self-supporting ladder shall be placed with the two rails supported equally unless it is equipped with a single support attachment



Questions???

Remember...Take safety home!



Jones/Onslow County UCC
August 2019



811 Day



at Bowman Gray

Saturday, August 10th 2019



Burt Myers

Tailgate with NC811 & PNG from 5-7pm
Race starts at 8pm





Locate Requests & Transmissions

July 2019 vs 2018

Tickets

2019: 198,236

2018: 172,881

Difference: 14.7%

Transmissions

2019: 1,084,353

2018: 940,029

Difference: 15.4%

Year-to-date

Tickets

2019: 1,342,235

2018: 1,167,765

Difference: 14.9%

Transmissions

2019: 7,280,761

2018: 6,374,967

Difference: 14.2
%

County Ticket Volume

2019 Stats Compared with 2018

	Type Ticket						
Jones	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	Total Tickets	
2018	0	1	68	2	42	113	
2019	0	1	84	1	11	97	
+/- Var	0%	0.0%	23.5%	-50.0%	-73.8%	-14.2%	
			Locates per day			5	



County Ticket Volume

2019 Stats Compared with 2018

	Type Ticket						
Onslow	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	Total Tickets	
2018	8	30	1546	22	378	1984	
2019	59	42	1781	69	697	2648	
+/- Var	637.5%	40.0%	15.2%	213.6%	84.4%	33.5%	
			Locates per day			132	





County Ticket Volume

YTD stats compared with previous year

	Type Ticket					
Jones	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	Total Tickets
2018	8	7	452	10	213	690
2019	14	5	627	24	260	930
+/- Var	75.0%	-28.6%	38.7%	140.0%	22.1%	34.8%
				Locates per day		6



County Ticket Volume

YTD stats compared with previous year

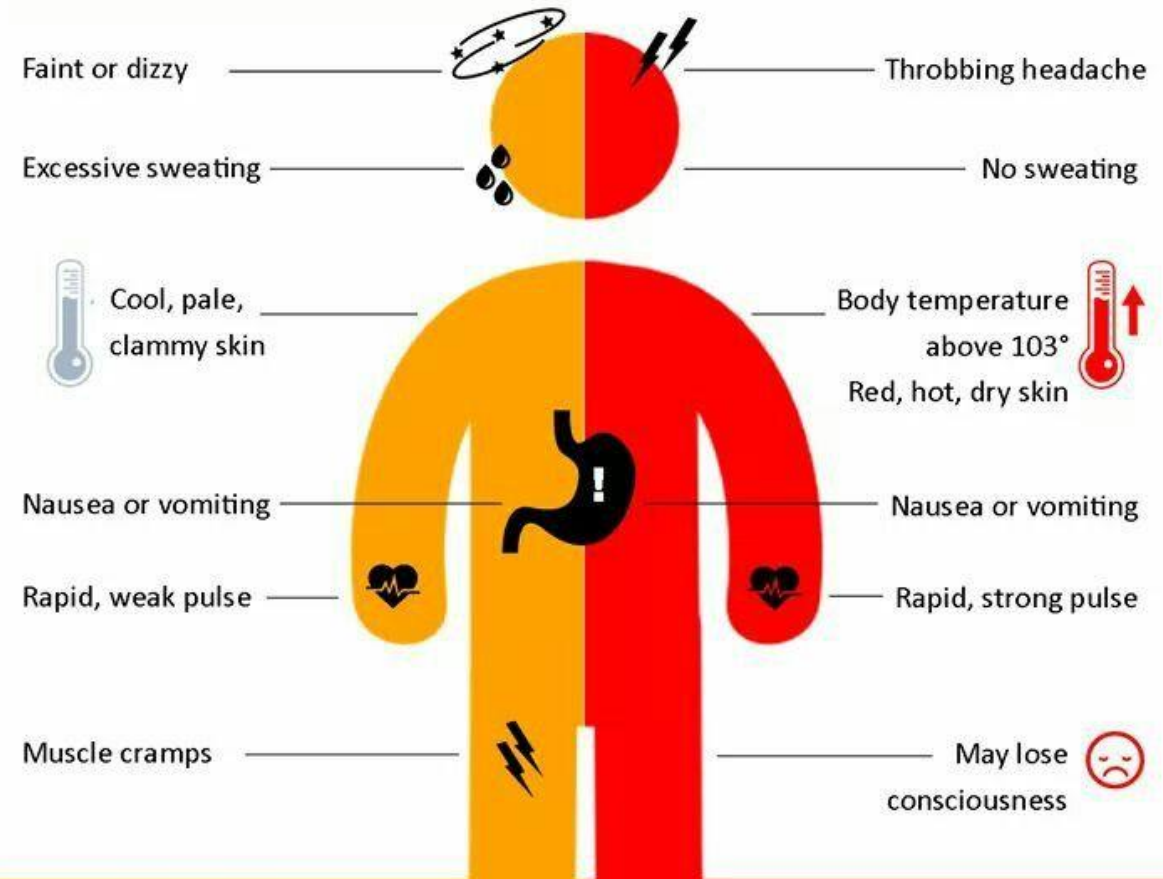
	Type Ticket					
Onslow	3 HR	CNCL	NEW	RXMT	UPDT	Total Tickets
2018	61	179	9709	321	2291	12561
2019	353	170	10932	414	3027	14896
+/- Var	478.7%	-5.0%	12.6%	29.0%	32.1%	18.6%
				Locates per day		103



HEAT EXHAUSTION

OR

HEAT STROKE



- Get to a cooler, air conditioned place
- Drink water if fully conscious
- Take a cool shower or use cold compresses

CALL 9-1-1

- Take immediate action to cool the person until help arrives



NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

House Bill 872 - Law changes effective Oct. 1, 2019

Definitions

- **87-117 (1a)** Board – The Underground Damage Prevention Review Board
- **87-117 (18a)** Parcel – An extended area of land with fixed boundaries

Notification Center

- **87-120 (a) & (c)** Notification Center removed from receiving, maintaining and providing general administration of reports of alleged violations.
- **87-120 (c) (9)** Notification Center shall have the duties to provide information requested by the UGDPRB in consideration of reports of alleged violations.

Facility Operator

- **87-121 (a) (1)** The dimension of the pipe shall be indicated every 50 feet if the diameter or width of facility is greater than four inches.
- **87-121 (a) (1a)** The operator's identity marked in the area where the proposed excavation or demolition is to occur. At a minimum, beginning/intervals of 200 linear feet/end.



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Excavator

- **87-122 (b) (5) a.** A single parcel that may exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ mile in linear length identified by a single address.
- **87-122 (b) (5) b.** The lesser five adjoining parcels identified by addresses, not to exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ mile in linear length or an area not to exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ mile in linear length.
- **87-122 (c) (6)** Three hour notices – additional notice (allows for on-line submission)
- **87-122 (c) (10)** Gas, oil, petroleum an electric transmission line has been expanded to read oil, petroleum products, or highly volatile liquid pipeline system, a gas transmission line, or an electric transmission line. No mechanized equipment within 24" of a facility unless the facility operator has consented to the use in writing and the operator's representative is on site during the use of the mechanized equipment.

Exemptions

- **87-124 (6)** An excavation or demolition performed when those responsible for routine maintenance of a right of way or any other governmental entity are performing, with labor on their permanent payroll, maintenance activities within the right-of-way.
- **87-124 (6)** Drainage structures are not included in maintenance activities.
- **87-124 (6)** The provisions do not apply when the excavation or demolition is performed by a contractor acting on behalf of a person or entity responsible for routine maintenance of a ROW or on behalf of any other governmental entity.



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Emergency Excavation

- **87-125 (a)** Emergency excavation – give notice (allows for on-line submission)
- **87-125 (c)** Any person who falsely claims that an emergency exists requiring an excavation or demolition shall have violated the provisions of this Article, which shall be punishable as a Class 3 misdemeanor and may subject the violator to the imposition of penalties or other action to be taken by the Board pursuant to G.S. 87-129.

Design Notices

- **87-127 (a) (1) & (3)** proposed area of excavation removed – area designated by the design notice



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Underground Damage Prevention Review Board; enforcement; civil penalties

- **87-129 (b)** All reports will be submitted to the Board – Notification Center removed from the process
- **87-129 (b1)** The Board shall approve training courses and the sponsors of those training courses. Any fees for training courses will be paid by the person determined to have violated this Article.
- **87-129 (e)** The Board is authorized to employ contractors or other personnel as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this Article.
- **87-129 (f)** Board shall maintain record of reports of alleged violations for at least four years.
- **87-129 (g)** On request of the Board, the Attorney General's office shall assign a legal representative to provide legal counsel.
- **87-129A** Board is authorized to impose an annual fee on operators in order to fund activities and operation of the Board in reviewing reports of alleged violations not to exceed \$200,000 annually.

UPCOMING

EVENTS





**BOARD
MEETING**



3Q19

October 18, 2019

Shell Island Resort, Wrightsville Beach, NC

4Q19

January 17, 2020

Greensboro, NC

For booking info, contact
Tonya Hargraves: tonya@nc811.org

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MOCK LINE STRIKE
EDUCATION THROUGH DEMONSTRATION

October 2nd

CABARRUS ARENA & EVENTS CENTER,
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Safe Digging Partner Event Sponsor



2019



NC MOCK LINE STRIKE

ncpipesplus.org/mock-line-strike.html

NC Underground Damage Prevention Review Board

**Location:
Raleigh, NC - TBD**

October 15, 2019 - 10am to 4pm



<https://www.nc811.org/report-a-violation.html>



NC Locate Resolution Partnership Committee

Every 2 months on the third Wednesday
NC 811, 5009 High Point Rd, Greensboro, NC

Wednesday, August 14, 11:00am – 1:00pm





State UCC Meeting
Dominion Energy, 1801 Trinity Church Rd,
Concord, NC

Tuesday, September 10, 10:00am – 12:00pm



NC811 welcomes Education Liaison Parrish Reddick



Piedmont Triad Region
Email: parrish@nc811.org
Cell: 336-707-4528

Small Projects Big Disruptions

Damages that occurred on a weekend were nearly twice as likely to have involved hand tools (shovels, post-hole diggers, etc.) than those that occurred on a weekday.



2017 DIRT Report
CommonGroundAlliance.com/DIRT



A PDF of this presentation is available at www.ncucc.org

Use the UCC Issues form to voice your concerns to both local and state level UCC meetings in North Carolina. Available on both the NCUCC website and the NC811 app.