

2022 NEPPA RodE&O Conference and Expo Agenda

(May 10 – 12, 2022)

(Agenda details are still being finalized and are subject to change.)

Tuesday, May 10, 2022	
7:30 am	Registration, Continental Breakfast
9:00 am	Competition begins 14th Annual Lineworkers Rodeo New Hampshire Electric Co-op (NHEC) 579 Tenney Mountain Highway Plymouth, NH 03264
5:00 pm	Award Dinner (at The Common Man Inn & Spa)
6:30 pm	Awards and Raffle

Wednesday, May 11, 2022	
7:30 am	Registration, Breakfast
8:15 am	Welcome & Intro
8:30 am	<p>Keynote “How Smart Lineworkers Use REAL Situational Awareness to Improve Safety by Dr. Richard Gasaway</p> <p><i>Most linemen and foremen know, intuitively, that strong situational awareness is an important aspect of worksite safety. However, many do not understand enough about what situational awareness REALLY is, how it is REALLY developed and how it can REALLY erode while working in a high risk, high consequence environment.</i></p> <p><i>This lack of REAL understanding reveals itself each time a lineman or foreman identifies issues with situational awareness as a contributing factor to a near-miss or injury event. This program will provide attendees with a new way of looking at situational awareness so that when the term is use, they REALLY understand what it means and how to develop and maintain their situational awareness on the job.</i></p> <p><i>Examples of REAL barriers that can erode lineman awareness will be shared along with best practicing for improving situational awareness and high-risk decision making.</i></p>
9:45 am	Break

10:00 am	<p><i>Breakout #1</i> Understanding Seven Barriers that Flaw Lineman Situational Awareness by Dr. Richard Gasaway <i>This breakout session builds on the foundation established during the keynote address and offers linemen seven specific examples of how flawed situational awareness can impact their safety.</i></p> <p><i>Flawed situational awareness is NEVER the root cause of a near-miss or casualty. It is a SYMPTOM. The barriers that flaw situational awareness are the root causes.</i></p> <p><i>This fast-paced program will introduce linemen seven (potentially deadly) situational awareness barriers and offer best practices for improving awareness and high-risk decision making.</i></p> <p><i>Barriers to be discussed include Pre-arrival lens, Confabulation, Mission Myopia, Complacency, Overconfidence, Fear, and Task fixation.</i></p>
	<p><i>Breakout #2</i> What's new with Wood Poles? by Jeremiah Lundren, Koppers, Marc Dray, McWade Poles, and Steve Dumas, Stella-Jones</p>
11:00 am	Break
	<i>Exhibit Hall Open (11:00 am - 4:00 pm)</i>
11:15 am	<p><i>Breakout #3</i> Bitcoin/ Blockchain - Effect on Utilities by Peter Gomez, Firstlight Power Services, LLC.</p>
	<p><i>Breakout #4</i> EV Charging Stations and their impact to the distribution system (Residential & Level 2&3 Commercial Stations) by Dave Erickson, New Hampshire Electric Coop</p>
12:15 am	Trolley Shuttle to The Barn on the Pemi for Lunch and Exhibit Hall
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm	Mutual Aid Committee Meeting
2:30 pm	Demo #1
3:00 pm	Demo #2
3:30 pm	Demo#3
3:45 pm	Raffle Drawing in Exhibit Hall
4:00 pm	Adjourn & Exhibits Breakdown/ Load Out

	Wednesday, May 12, 2022
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	General Session - TBD
9:30 am	Break
9:45 am	<i>Breakout #5 - TBD</i>
	<i>Board of Directors Meeting</i>
11:00 am	<i>Benevolent Fund Activity:</i> Golf Tournament - Shotgun 11:00 am
	Conference Adjourns