



# **NECA ALASKA CHAPTER**

## NEWS FROM THE CHAPTER

### Upcoming Meetings & Events

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 11, 2021 at a location TBD. The next Board of Directors & Membership meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at NECA. The Board will meet at 4:30pm with the Membership meeting following at 5:00pm.

The annual NECA Open was held Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at Anchorage Golf Course. The weather held out for us and made for a great day of golf! The winning team was Merit Waldrop, JJ Waldrop, Frank Panichello & Mike Lucas. Our long drive and closest to the pin winners were as follows; John Faeo, Long Drive Men; Karen Maxon, Long Drive Women; Peter Crosson, Closest to the Pin Men; Margaret Empie, Closest to the Pin Women.

We would not be able to put on this event if it weren't for our sponsors! A Giant NECA Thank You to the following for sponsoring this event: Alcan Electric, Bridgewater, CCI Electrical Services, Endeavor Electric, EnTrust Global, FNBA, GCM Grosvenor, Graybar Electric Company, Haakenson Electric, John Hancock Retirement Plan Services, Key Bank, Loomis, Sayles & Co, Michels Power, New Horizons Telecom, Northern Powerline Constructors, Rael & Letson, RVK, Stevens & Saur, Sturgeon Electric, Ullico, VSP, Washington Capital and Western Asset Management.

We would also like to thank NECA/IBEW LMCC-Labor Management Cooperation Committee for providing Breakfast and Lunch!

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### 2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

09/06/21  
Labor Day

10/11/21  
Board of Directors only Meeting

10/09-12/21  
2021 NECA Convention & Trade Show  
Nashville, TN

11/10/21  
Board of Directors / Membership Meeting  
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11/11/21  
Veteran's Day

11/25/21  
Thanksgiving Day

12/04/21  
Annual Board of Directors / Membership Meeting & Tentative Holiday Party

12/25/21  
Christmas Day

01/01/22  
New Year's Day



# INSIDE WASHINGTON

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

## NECA Legislative Top News 08/27/2021

### 1. House Returns From Recess For Key Vote

On Tuesday, the House was called back from August recess to vote on a series of rules to set up the September legislative calendar. The House voted on [H. Res. 601](#): "Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4) to amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to revise the criteria for determining which States and political subdivisions are subject to section 4 of the Act, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 3684) to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes; and providing for the adoption of the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 14) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2022 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2023 through 2031; and for other purposes." This rule was [adopted on a 220-212](#) vote.

**NECA's Look Ahead:** The rules contained a provision to "deem the budget as passed," which sets up the budget resolution for further Congressional action. Also the resolution stated that the infrastructure bill (Senate amendment to (H.R. 3684) to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes) would be considered in the House no later than Sept. 28, 2021. NECA will continue to monitor the budget and the infrastructure bill over the coming weeks and provide regular updates.

### 2. PPP Forgiveness Portal Opens For Loans Up To \$150,000

Earlier this month, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) launched a Paycheck Protection Program Direct Forgiveness Portal for loans of \$150,000 or less. This portal streamlines forgiveness applications to help borrowers attain forgiveness fast. So far, 600 banks have opted into direct forgiveness through the SBA, enabling 2.17 million borrowers to apply through the portal. Register and apply for PPP forgiveness here through the SBA. Below is the PPP direct forgiveness portal user guide that can walk you through the registration and application process.

[Register Here](#)

[View User Guide](#)



## NECAPAC

NECAPAC encourages members to utilize secure online donations to ensure safe delivery of contributions. If you have never made an online contribution and would like to utilize this feature, please contact Hadlea Bothe at [Hadlea.Bothe@necanet.org](mailto:Hadlea.Bothe@necanet.org) or 240-800-5004 for assistance in creating an online NECAPAC profile. You can also let the Chapter know and we can assist.

If you would like to contribute to NECAPAC for 2021, you can do so by [clicking here](#), asking the Chapter for a NECAPAC personal or corporate contribution form, or pick one up at the Chapter. They are also available on the [Chapter's website](#).

If you wish to mail in your NECAPAC contributions, please send to NECA's Capitol Hill office at: NECAPAC- 1201 Pennsylvania Ave. NW - Washington, DC 20004

You can check out NECA's take on key industry issues [here](#).



EVENT UPDATES FROM THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

## Have You Registered for NECA 2021 Nashville?

Registration has opened for the **2021 NECA Convention & Trade Show** in Nashville. Attendees will gain in-person access to industry-leading education, top-notch speakers, networking, entertainment and North America's largest Electrical Construction trade show.

Register for NECA 2021 Nashville Now



## NECA THIS WEEK

NEWS FROM THE VOICE OF THE ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

### Congratulations to the 2021 PEA Winners!

The **Project Excellence Awards** was created to recognize NECA members for their outstanding commitment, professionalism and ingenuity in delivering an electrical project across 12 different market sectors.

We would like to congratulate the 16 winners of the 2021 Project Excellence Awards!

[View Our 2021 Winners Here](#)

### Coming Soon: New NECAnet.org Website

This fall, NECA will be launching a **new experience** on [necanet.org](https://necanet.org). Beyond a redesign, this new website will provide users with brand-new ways to interact with NECA's web resources.

#### What can I do to get ready?

Log in to your current NECA profile with your USER ID and password. *Ensure that your profile's email address is completely up to date* – this will make the transition to the new login experience as seamless as possible. **This email address will be your username for the new website.**

This update is being conducted with security in mind and will enable users to more easily use necanet.org.



SAFETY NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

## NECA Live: Outside Line Safety at NECA

Join **David Meade** as he sits down with **Jef Fagan**, NECA's **General Counsel** and Vice President of Risk Management, and **Mike Starner**, NECA's new **Director of Outside Line Safety**. The trio discuss the origins of this position, Mike's widespread experience in the industry, and what the future holds for NECA's outside line contractors.

Listen Now



## NECA VIDEO UPDATE

UPDATES FROM THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION



August 2021: Embracing Innovation Every Day



NECA 2021 Nashville: Education Topics Sneak Peek



NECA eSafetyLine August 2021 Safety Minute



## WORKING KNOWLEDGE

WEBINARS FROM THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION

### 2021 NFPA 70E Significant Changes Webcast Recording

\$0.00

NFPA 70E Standard for electrical safety in the workplace is revised and updated every three years and each revised version supersedes all previous editions. The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the world relative to learning and staying current with ever-changing safety

rules. The new edition of standard has incorporated to these changes by expanding specifically on priorities in NFPA 70E update training is a must for all qualified workers and safety managers keep current on electrical safety in the workplace requirements. This webcast recording will help attendees identify the important changes to NFPA 70E in 2021, and clearly explain the reasons for those changes. This program is a must for those wanting to gain important insight about effectively applying the standard and achieving electrical safety in the workplace.

**\*\*\*Please note due to Microsoft discontinuing support for Internet Explorer, the NECA Learning Center does not support that browser any longer. Please use current versions of other free browsers such as Google Chrome, Firefox, or Safari.**

Course Length: 1 Hour

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## 2020 NEC Changes | Part 1

**\$95.00**

The National Electrical Code (NEC) is the most widely used electrical standard in the United States. As new technologies, equipment, wiring methods and industry needs evolve, the NEC must stay current to effectively address essential installation and safety requirements. This course is part 1 of 2 of the 2020 NEC changes and covers the significant changes in the code. It is currently approved for Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Kentucky\*, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma\*, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming license holders.

\*Kentucky and Oklahoma licensees can still take the 8-hour courses; these states will only accept them for 6 hours to meet their renewal requirements.

Course Length: 8 Hours

Continuing Education Hours: 8

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## 2020 NEC Changes | Part 2

**\$95.00**

The National Electrical Code (NEC) is the most widely used electrical standard in the United States. As new technologies, equipment, wiring methods and industry needs evolve, the NEC must stay current to effectively address essential installation and safety requirements.

This course is part 2 of 2 of the 2020 NEC changes and covers the significant changes in the code. It is currently approved for Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Kentucky\*, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma\*, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming license holders.

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Course Length: 8 Hours

Continuing Education Hours: 8

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### **Plan Your Work and Work Your Plan – An Action Plan to Prefabrications and Profit**

**Thursday, September 9, 2021 | 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET**

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This interactive, live, online event will focus on how well defined, scalable systems and processes deployed with technology and used consistently by everyone in the company are the foundation to minimizing risk and achieving predictable results. Many contractors know and understand this concept and many have, at some point, defined their processes.

Perhaps they are sitting on a bookshelf right now and are rarely used or even referenced in order to understand the company procedures.

The more a company grows the more difficult it becomes to develop and deploy these systems. Yet the need increases dramatically. This program discusses how to define standard procedures in your organization, generate buy-in that will operationalize their use and how to utilize them as a platform to build bench depth that will move the organization to the next level.

Following this course, participants will be able to:

- Discuss the value of workflow documentation and provide examples of how best of class contractors develop and document standardize workflow
- Describe how to leverage technology in the deployment of standardized process and procedure that creates consistency and predictable results
- Identify the keys to successfully operationalizing processes including staff training and metrics that provide visibility on compliance and the bottom-line impact

Instructor: Michael McLin

Course Length: 2 Hours

Continuing Education Hours: 2

[Reserve Your Spot](#)

