

Data and Research Committee

Thursday, August 27 , 2026 at 11:00 a.m.

Chair: Lucas Schauffler

Voting Members: Amber Clayton, Andy Crocker, KC Chumanchenko

Non-voting Members: Josh Thomas, Josh Planton

Guests Scott Gallegos

1. Announcements and Introductions
 - a. Announcements, Roll Call, and Guest sign-in. Quorum confirmed.
 - b. Review/approve and/or amend meeting minutes from February 11, 2026
 - i. The minutes from February 11, 2026, were reviewed by Josh T.
 - ii. Andy Motioned to approve the minutes from February 11, 2026, as presented. KC seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Chair – Statement, plan of work, priorities.
 - i. Lucas noted that the focus of the meeting is to figure out the next steps for the two concept proposals discussed at the last meeting.
2. Old Business
 - a. Concept Proposal Updates:
 - i. Clarify the definition of “Emergency Locates” and introduction of accountability mechanisms (certification, auditing, and reporting).
 1. Scott agreed to provide information on the users requesting emergency locates and any data on those that turn out not to fit the definition of emergency locates.
 2. Amber also suggested pulling information on location/address, type of utility that was damaged that requires the emergency, what kind of contractor, and use that to put together a top ten list in each county.
 3. Scott looked at the numbers for Washington pre and post their rule changes. The numbers from July of last year till July of this year appear to be very similar.
 - ii. Updates to ITIC “type of work” filed and alignment with DIRT report terminology/categories.
 1. Scott previously provided the list of “types of work” after the last call. Kevin had recommended the abbreviated CGA list to simplify things. Amber shared that her list was a bit more extensive. She gave the example of a tree on private property vs tree in a right of

way, as they would have different potential requirements that are important to consider.

2. Josh T. will re-forward the CGA list to the group that Scott had sent out earlier.
3. Lucas asked everyone to review the list and bring back their thoughts to the next meeting.
4. Josh T. suggested that the committee consider a primary list and then a sub-category list to help add details.

3. New Business

- i. Josh T. provided a brief update on the DIRT Report 2025 figures, the annual legislative report.

4. For the Good of the Order

- a. Josh T. thanked all Committee members for their support.

5. Next Meeting – adjourned – 11:51AM