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WELCOMING NEW LEADERSHIP

The membership of Local Union #234 held their election recently and Jose Munoz has been selected as the new Business Manager of the Local.

Jose has been active in the industry for many years and we look forward to working in partnership to improve the electrical construction industry in the Tri-County area. Jose has served on the apprenticeship committee for many years and has lived on the Monterey Peninsula for many years. He and his team are focused on regaining market share and growth in the area. Jose plans to contact each of our members to discuss your individual needs and we hope that you will take a moment to share your concerns. Welcome Jose!



WELCOME MYNT SYSTEMS!

Please join us in welcoming **MYNT Systems** as our newest member! MYNT was founded in 2014 by **Derek and Corrina Hansen** to reimagine the way energy efficiency and onsite generation are being designed and delivered in the industrial space.

Their operation is located at:

**111 Mission Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95069
(408) 426-5420**

We are pleased to add this professional firm to our roster and hope that you will extend a welcoming hand to them as our newest NECA contractor. Welcome Aboard!!



TO BENEFIT ... PARTICIPATE!

ADVANCED ESTIMATING OF ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION CLASS SCHEDULED

Wednesday and Thursday
October 1-2, 2025

Breakfast Buffet 8:00 AM
Class Begins at 8:30 AM
Lunch 12:00 PM

Dinner 6:00 PM
on 10/1 at Giuseppe's

Location: Vespera Resort
147 Stimson Avenue |
Pismo Beach, CA | 93940

\$250 per person for NECA Members but free to Monterey Members thanks to the Wendt Scholarship. Please contact Jerri to reserve your space and make hotel reservations. Space is very limited!



ANNOUNCING THE CALIFORNIA SUBCONTRACTOR CONTRACT & COLLECTIONS GUIDEBOOK

On behalf of the California Chapters of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA), the

Electrical Contractors of California Trust (ECCT), and Sweeney Mason LLP, we are proud to announce the release of a one-of-a-kind resource: the [California NECA Subcontractor Contract & Collections Guidebook](#).

This guidebook is the result of a collaborative, statewide effort led by every California NECA Chapter and is now available, free of charge, to all NECA-affiliated contractors in California.

What's Inside:

The guidebook is designed to help NECA contractors navigate the legal landscape surrounding subcontracting and payment rights, including laws governing change orders, retention, and more. It offers:

- Easy access to relevant California statutes and case law
- Practical insights into protecting your business interests
- Ready-to-use sample letters to assert your rights
- A clickable index for fast navigation

To ensure contractors get the most out of this valuable resource, we hosted a free webinar presented by the attorneys at Sweeney Mason LLP who developed the guidebook. The webinar was held on Wednesday, August 27th. If you missed the

webinar, we can offer a link to the recording to help you understand and gain practical advice on how to better protect your business, strengthen your contracts, and improve cash flow through smarter collections strategies.

California NECA
Subcontractor Contract &
Collections Guidebook
Acknowledgments:

This guidebook would not have been possible without the financial and organizational support of every California NECA Chapter, thank you for stepping up to make this impactful project a reality. We also extend our sincere appreciation to the following individuals for dedicating countless hours and generously sharing their knowledge throughout the development of the guidebook:

- Greg Long, NECA District 9 Vice President
- Rob Meadows and Stan Lazarian, Co-Chairs of the ECCT Statewide Public Affairs Committee
- Contributors: Greg Armstrong, Eric Cartier, Kevin Gini, Fred Neubauer, and Jim Willson Their expertise and commitment were instrumental in shaping a valuable resource that will benefit NECA contractors across California for years to come. Finally, a special

thanks to the outstanding team at Sweeney Mason LLP—Joe Sweeney, Scott Mangum, and Megan Lee—whose legal expertise, attention to detail, and tireless work brought this important guidebook to life. Without their efforts, this project would not have been possible.

Please don't hesitate to share this guidebook with your teams and colleagues. We hope it serves as a valuable tool to help protect and empower NECA contractors across California.

HEALTH CARE CORNER HOT WEATHER HYDRATE, STAY COOL AND BE AWARE!

We are not out of the hot weather season yet! And hot weather or extreme heat, can be very dangerous. The body normally cools itself by sweating, but during extreme heat, a person's body temperature rises faster than it can cool itself down. This can lead to heat exhaustion or heat stroke and can cause damage to the brain and other vital organs, and lead to death. Below are tips to stay cool and safe during extreme heat:

Drink plenty of fluids

- ✓ Drink more fluids, regardless of how active

you are: 8 cups (640z or 2 liters) per day is a good starting point, but you may need more: 10-12 cups (80-95 oz or 2.5 liters) per day if you are sweating heavily.

- ✓ Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink.
- ✓ If you sweat heavily, your body can lose important salts and electrolytes. It is important to replace salt/electrolytes with a sports drink, or you can add "hydration" tablets or packets to your water.
- ✓ Stay away from sugary or alcoholic drinks- they cause you to lose more body fluid.
- ✓ In humid weather our bodies may need more fluids and salt/electrolyte replacement as it is harder for the body to cool down, due to humidity. Schedule outdoor activities carefully and pace yourself
- ✓ Try to limit your outdoor activity to when it's coolest, like morning and evening hours.
- ✓ Rest often in shady areas so that your body has a chance to recover.
- ✓ If you're not use to working or exercising in the heat, start slowly and gradually increase activity.
- ✓ STOP all activity if exertion in the heat makes your heart pound, leaves you gasping for breath, and/or feeling faint or

dizzy, fatigued, or foggy headed, and seek shade, rest and hydrate! Tell a co-worker or friend.

Use a buddy system

- ✓ Heat-induced illness can cause a person to become confused or lose consciousness
- ✓ When working in the heat, monitor the condition of your co-workers and have someone do the same for you.

Protect yourself from the sun

- ✓ Wear a wide-brimmed hat, sunglasses, and use sunscreen
- ✓ Choose lightweight, loose-fitting, breathable clothing
- ✓ Stay indoors and in an air-conditioned place as much as possible

For more information click on the links below:

https://www.cdc.gov/extreme-heat/media/pdf/Heat_Related_Illness.pdf

<https://www.cdc.gov/extreme-heat/media/pdf/beat-the-heat-2017.pdf.pdf>

**Anita Alvarez RN, PHN
Nurse Health Advocate
Electrical Workers Health
and Welfare Trust
IBEW Local 234
831-741-8677**

PUBLIC WORKS ONLINE SYSTEM UPDATE

The Public Works online system has now launched a system update with significant enhancements. Highlights of the latest platform enhancements include:

- **eCPR Search Tool**
- The eCPR search tool can be found [here](#).
- Users can search for legacy eCPRs from the previous system.
- Bulk exports – users can now export up to 20 eCPRs in one export.
- Users can filter out non-performance eCPRs from the search results.
- Users can search for key terms within the search results.
- **eCPR Confirmation Page**
- contractors can now print and save an eCPR confirmation page upon successful submission of their eCPRs.
- **New eCPR PDF Updates**
- The eCPR PDF is now displayed in portrait orientation.
- New eCPR Sequence Number displays on PDF identifying the

order of the payroll submitted.

Amendments will be displayed as a dash followed by amendment number.

- The apprentice period now displays on the eCPR PDF.
- Statement of Non-Performance PDF now displays and exports to PDF.
- Name of individual certifying eCPR now displays on eCPR PDF.
- **Manual eCPR Updates**
- A new “other” field now available for use in the deduction section.
- Fund/Admin, Savings, and Dues now displays within the deduction section.
- **XML eCPR Updates**
- Multiple registration paid periods now displays on contractor user dashboard. As a contractor who has paid for their registration for both the current fiscal year and a future fiscal year, the dashboard will now display all paid fiscal periods on screen.

The following ‘User Guides’ can be found here:

- [User PDF Guide](#)
- [User Video Guide](#)
- [eCPR User Guide](#)

- [eCPR User Video Guide](#)
- [PW Live Workshop](#)



ELECTRI UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who joined us in Toronto for the ELECTRI Summer Council Meeting—and to those who couldn’t attend, we’re glad to keep you in the loop. Whether you were in the room or not, there are several ways for you to stay involved and support ELECTRI’s ongoing work. We’ve attached the full meeting recap, including links to the presentation slides for each day. Or you can download the recap from the [event page on our website](#).

Want to relive the experience or see what you missed? Check out the photos [here](#).

New Research Approved by the Council
At the meeting, the Council voted to fund three new research initiatives:

- *The Road Ahead*
- *A Financial Maturity Toolbox to Measure the Health of ECs and Their Projects*
- *Small Modular Reactor Roadmap for ECs*

NEXT STEPS

Get Involved: Join a Task Force

We invite you to help shape the direction of these projects. Volunteer to serve on a research task force: [Sign up here](#)

Lend Your Expertise: Participate in Surveys
ELECTRI needs contractor input to ensure our research is grounded in meaningful, real-world data. [Take the surveys](#)

Share Your Tools
PCA Researcher Deniz Besiktepe is developing resources to support onboarding and project planning. If you have sample onboarding guides or project checklists, please send them to denizb@purdue.edu.

Learn How to Use the Industry Benchmarking Tool
We'll be hosting two webinars this week to help electrical contractors get

started with the new Industry Benchmarking Tool.

- Tuesday, July 22nd at 12 PM ET - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83937897231>
- Thursday, July 24th at 3 PM ET <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82709046400>

ELECTRI International Quick Links

[ELECTRI Meetings Research Coaching Council Room Sessions Engagement Hub Apprenticeship Program ConTech & Coffee/IT & Coffee Leader AI Toolkit](#) [ELECTRI Business PM](#)

UPCOMING CLASSES OFFERED THROUGH THE JATC

Please note that if you reserve a space and do not show up for class, you will be responsible for paying for the class.

CPR/FIRST AID CANCELED DUE TO LACK OF SIGN-UPS

Saturday, August 2nd
8am-1pm

This is NOT a drop-in class. Sign-up is required.

Instructor Merralinda Goddard will be teaching on the basics of First Aid and CPR.

Please note that class size is limited and sign-up is required. (Also note that if you reserve a space and do not show up for class, you will be responsible for paying for the class.)

CONFINED SPACE AWARENESS TRAINING

Cancelled due to lack of sign-ups. We hope to reschedule for sometime soon. Please contact us if you have interest in attending!

OSHA 10

If you are interested in taking an online OSHA 10 course, please contact Stacy at info@tricityjtc.org to sign up.

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL CLASSES REQUIRE REGISTRATION PRIOR TO THE CLASS.

Please contact Stacy at info@tricityjtc.org to sign up for all classes.



APPRENTICE APPLICATION INFORMATION

The Tri-County Electrical JATC is accepting applications on a year-round basis. **OUR PROCEDURES HAVE CHANGED!!!** Please note that we will only accept online applications and applicants need only follow the directions obtained in our website to apply. For more information regarding the process, please click in the following link: [JATC INFORMATION](#)

CLASS COMPLETIONS

None

JATC INSTRUCTORS NEEDED!

The JATC is seeking instructors for apprenticeship and journeyman training courses on an ongoing basis. If you or someone that you know is interested in teaching – even to substitute or teach journeyman upgrade classes, or if you have a specialty that you would like to assist in for one night, please contact Stacy at the JATC office for more information. Your help in teaching our future generations is always greatly appreciated.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER!!

A promotional banner for 'The NECA Show' presented by the National Electrical Contractors Association. On the left is a circular logo for 'NECA 2025 CHICAGO' with 'SEPTEMBER 12-15' at the bottom, featuring a stylized city skyline. The main text reads 'The NECA Show' in large black font, followed by 'presented by the National Electrical Contractors Association' in smaller orange text. Below that, it says 'McCormick Place Convention Center' and 'September 12-15, 2025'. At the bottom, it is described as the '#1 Event for Power, Light, Controls, Energy, Information & Communications Technology'. On the right side, there is a graphic of a staircase with electrical wiring and three small inset photos showing people at the event.

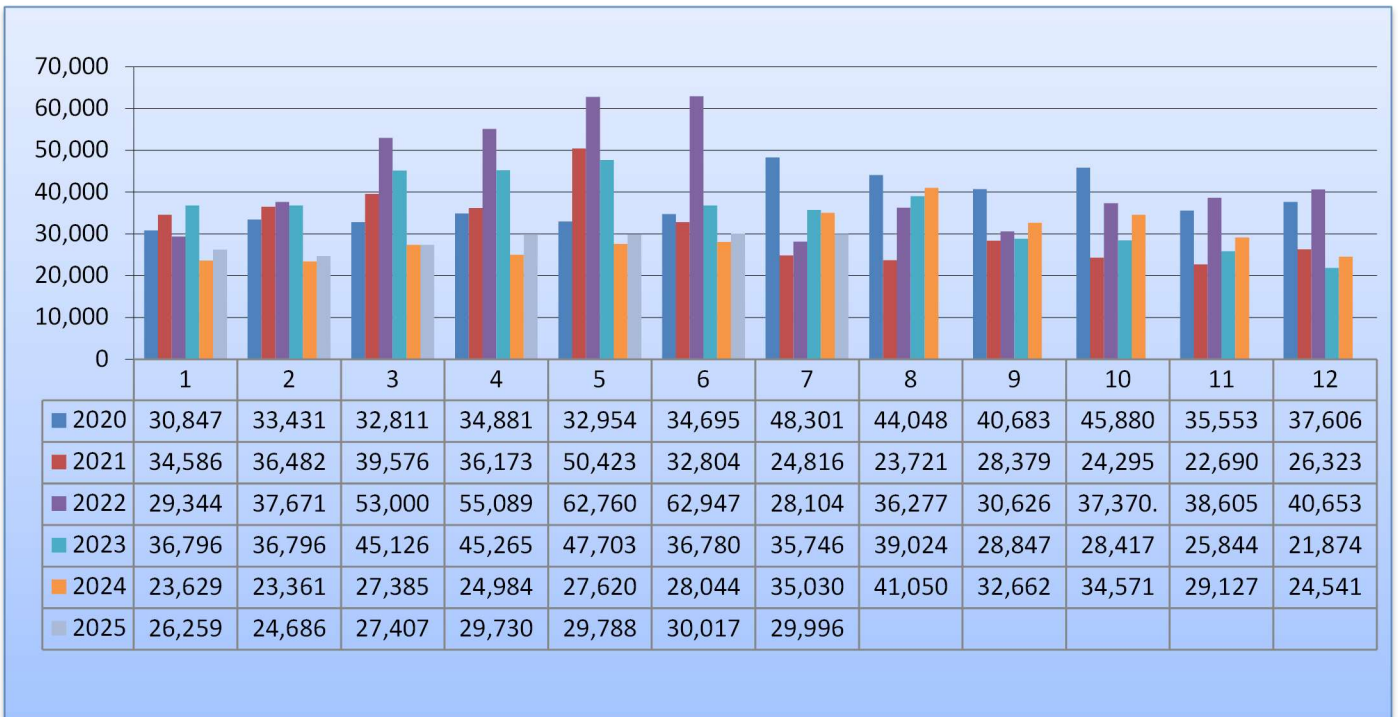
Our chapter has been assigned to the Marriott Marquis which is attached to the convention center. If you are interested in registering, please contact Jerri at jlchamplin@gmail.com



AVAILABILITY LIST UPDATE

On the Inside Out-of-Work List, there are 71 on Book 1, 203 on Book 2, 57 on Book 3 and 13 on Book 4. There are 4 Book 1, 6 on Book 2, 4 on Book 3 and 0 on Book 4 for Sound & Comm. There are no CE's on Book 1 and 0 on Book 2, 104 CW1's and 12 CW2's available. ***If you are interested in hiring a new apprentice in the near future, please contact Stacy at the JATC office to let her know your future needs. No apprentices are currently available.***

INSIDE WORK HOUR HISTORY



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 12-15, 2025

NECA Convention
Chicago, IL

October 1-2, 2025

Advanced Estimating Education Class
Vespera Resort
Pismo Beach, CA

October 4, 2025

Local #234 BBQ
Toro Park
Salinas, CA

November 17-19, 2025

etA Regional Conference
Las Vegas, NV

December 5, 2025

NECA Christmas Party
The Sardine Factory
By Invitation Only

January 21-23, 2026

Electri Meeting
Omni La Mansion del Rio
San Antonio, TX

February 18-20, 2026

Wine and Wisdom
Allegretto Resort, Paso Robles, CA