

2021 Underground School



Date, Time and Location:

June 8-10, 2021 • The meeting will begin outside on the MTI training grounds at 1 p.m. on June 8, with registration beginning at 11 a.m., and conclude at noon on June 10.

Location:

Mitchell Technical Institute in Mitchell, S.D.

Room Reservations:

Contact the Comfort Inn and Suites directly by calling 605-990-2400 and asking for the SDREA Underground School room block. Room rate is \$79 plus tax. Cut-off date is May 31.

Registration:

Register online at sdrea.coop under For Members, Events and Training by June 1.

Additional Information:

This year's URD school will be a hands-on training. We ask that you show up ready to work with hard hats, safety glasses, leather gloves and URD tools.

Tuesday, June 8

- 11 a.m. **Registration** – Lunch on your own
- 1 p.m. **Trench Rescue** – Ben Vanden Hoek, Mitchell Fire
- Break**
- 3 p.m. **Cable Pulling** – Southeastern Electric
- 4 p.m. **Thumper Training** – Sioux Valley Electric
- 6-8 p.m. **Blarney's Sportsbar & Grill**

Wednesday, June 9

- 8 a.m. **Theory of Locating** – Trevor Johnson, Subsite
- Break**
- 10 a.m. **Portable Gas Monitor Training** – Jace Krumwiede & Keith Lincoln, Macurco Gas Detection
- Noon **Lunch on your own**
- 1 p.m. **Innerduct** – Dura-Line – Dura-Line manufactures standard High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) conduits for standard installation applications such as standard underground, as innerducts in existing conduits, or corrugated products to used in congested areas.

Wednesday, June 9, cont..

The presenter will be Rick Dvorak (Senior Field Engineering Manager). Rick has 45 years in OSP design, engineering and construction. The presentation will cover the proper storage, handling and installation of HDPE.

- 2 p.m. **How Reactors Work and How to Maintain Cory Stoffers** – Border States Electric


Break

- 3 p.m. **URD Cover up & Grounding Mats** – John Giancanelli, Hastings – John is an experienced former lineman who now works as a Hot Line Tool Sales Specialist for Hastings Tools. He will cover proper grounding and cover-up for URD applications as well as proper cleaning and handling of equipment. The Hastings Demo Trailer will also be available to view and try products.

Thursday, June 10

- 8 a.m. **Cable Preparation for Termination** – Jim Stephens, 3M
- Break**
- 10 a.m. **Round Table** – URD Inspection Practices
- 11 a.m. **Closing Comments and Evaluations**



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This course is part of the SDREA Education Package B. If you did not purchase Package B in 2020, then the fee is \$650 plus tax per participant.