



# 2021 Spring Line Superintendents Conference

**Date, Time and Location:** May 25-27, 2021 • Theatre 1 – Ramkota Hotel • Pierre, S.D.

**Registration:** Register by May 19 online at [sdrea.coop](http://sdrea.coop) by clicking on Events and Trainings from the drop-down menu under For Members.

**Reservations:** Contact the Ramkota Hotel at 605-224-6877 or the Clubhouse Hotel & Suites at 605-494-2582 and ask for the Line Superintendents room block. Room rate at the Ramkota is \$90 plus tax. Room rate at the Clubhouse is \$124 plus tax. Cut-off date is April 24.

## Agenda

### Tuesday, May 25

- 11 a.m. Golf at Hillsview Golf Course –**  
Golf will start with registration from 11-11:30 a.m. playing four-person best ball with tee times starting at noon. Price is \$55 for Line Superintendents which covers golf with cart and beverages. For questions contact Karla Steele, Irby, 605-348-1888 or Chad Low, Border States, 605-951-5048.
- 1:30 p.m. Sporting Clays –** Willow Creek Wildlife Sporting Clays, 20628 Willow Creek Road, Ft. Pierre, S.D. Sporting clays will be 50 targets for \$20. Meet at noon in the lobby of the Ramkota if you want to carpool.
- 5:30 p.m. Vendor Hospitality/Bean Bag –** Clubhouse Hotel on the patio and in the Highlands Room.

### Wednesday, May 26

- 7:30 a.m. Registration**
- 8 a.m. Opening Announcements**
- 8:10 a.m. Highway Patrol Update –** The S.D. Highway Patrol will provide an update on any new or changing regulations and answer questions in regards to all state and federal regulations.
- 9:00 a.m. RUS Update –** Tom Jones, Rural Utilities Service – Virtual RUS update covering any changes to the RUS program.
- 10:00 a.m. Break**
- 10:15 a.m. EZ Spot UR Presentation –** Roger Crom, EZ Spot Ur – Roger will talk about the EZ Spot UR and any new equipment. He will also provide information from across the country on best practices for energized work with the EZ Spot UR.
- 11 a.m. Use of EZ Spot UR for Energized Work –** Round table discussion to layout the proposed safety regulations to be added

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to the Safety Manual if the South Dakota Cooperatives decide to allow the use of the EZ Spot UR unit or similar equipment for energized work.

- Noon Lunch on your own**
- 1 p.m. EMS Overview and Open Discussion –** Gary Dykstra, Sanford Health – Gary will talk about the EMS process along with the Helicopter Medivac process.
- 2 p.m. Milwaukee Tools Overview –** Vince Kocour, Milwaukee Electric Tool – Vince will cover the battery technology and construction of tools, as well as the internal-use tracking of tools and how this information can be downloaded with Bluetooth.
- 3 p.m. Break**
- 3:15 p.m. Sarah Dunlavy, Bell Pole and Lumber –** In November 2019 Cabot, the company who manufactures Pentachlorophenol, announced it will cease production of the chemical by Dec. 31, 2021. This session will discuss how this change will affect South Dakota cooperatives.
- 4:30 p.m. Vendor Show –** Ramkota Gallery A & B
- 5:30 p.m. Social/Dinner**
- ### Thursday, May 27
- 8 a.m. Opening Announcements**
- 8:10 a.m. SDREA Update –** Ed Anderson and Mark Patterson
- 9 a.m. Round Table Discussion –** Topics can be submitted.
- 10 a.m. Break**
- 10:15 a.m. Round Table Discussion**
- 11 a.m. Business Meeting/Evaluations**

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