

# NEWS & VIEWS

The Pacific NW Heating & Cooling Association  
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## Thursday, May 2nd ORACCA Meeting *True Costs of Service @ NWCOC* **11:30AM**

The May meeting will feature a round table of contractors discussing the actual costs of putting Service Vehicles on the road. This will be live at NW College of Construction and virtually via zoom link below:

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**Have you kept up with inflation?  
Do you have any idea what it costs for each of your service vehicles?**

Our May meeting will be a round table discussion of the true cost of putting a service truck in the field. Moderated by John Karasaki of PGE, he will be joined by Cory Streetner (Specialty Heating), Lakin Norton (Pyramid Heating), and Gabriel Gonzalez (Gensco) to go over all the costs associated with outfitting and manning a service truck.

Things to consider: tech's wages and benefits, cost of van, insurance, fuel, repairs, tires, etc. There is also dispatcher, service manager training, uniforms, tools, truck stock, and more. You should perform this exercise at least once a year just to keep up with inflation. Please come and see how your peers stay profitable!

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### **ORACCA Member SHOOT OUT!**

**May 11th**  
@  
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## Upcoming ORACCA Events for 2024

- January 11th - Hybrid Meeting - ODE Understanding SB1536 NW College of Construction (NWCOC)
- February 8th - Hybrid Meeting - Utilities Update at NWCOC
- March 7th - Hybrid Meeting - Codes with Officials - Marty Dist.
- March 15th - **Brazing Test, Location MarHy Distributors**
- April 4th - Hybrid Meeting - ETO Updates & ODOE Updates at NWCOC
- May 2nd - Hybrid Meeting Contractor Roundtable at NWCOC
- May 11th - **Shoot Out - Canby Rod & Gun Club**
- June 6th - Hybrid Meeting Brazing Technologies NWCOC
- June 14th - **Brazing Test, Location PCC , Swan Island**
- July 15th - **Golf Tournament - Glendoveer Golf Course**
- August - No Meeting
- Sept. 14 - Hybrid Meeting TBD, at NWCOC
- October 3rd - Hybrid Meeting TBD, at NWCOC
- October 11th- **Brazing Test, Location PCC , Swan Island**
- Nov. 7th- Hybrid Meeting TBD, at NWCOC
- Dec. 5th - Meet at Lennox. Happy Holidays
- Dec. 15th - **Brazing Test, Location PCC , Swan Island**

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