

# CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**MEETING**  
**July 5, 2006**  
**L & I Building**  
**Salem, OR**

**Attendees:**

Barry Moreland, Chair  
Mike Murphy  
Tony Barsotti  
Bob Harris  
Bruce Dennis  
Dave Kaiser  
Chris Ottoson

**Attendees:**

Marilyn Schuster  
Joe Miller  
Michael Wood  
Mike Mitchell  
Peg Munsell  
Don Berg

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM.

**1. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 7, 2006 MEETING:**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved with the following change:  
Old Business, Construction vs. Maintenance when working from permanent power was brought up by Mike Murphy, not Bill Walden as reported in the draft minutes.

**2. OLD BUSINESS:**

Status of current rule review:

Peggy Munsell and Marilyn Schuster reported on OR-OSHA proposed rule changes. Technical Amendments in General Industry, Construction, and Maritime, Division 3/W, Construction;/Roll-Over Protective Structures, and Division 1, General Administrative Rules. Division 1 has multiple proposed changes with a public hearing scheduled in early August (August 1, 2006). Most significant changes include manifest injustice and the reporting of motor vehicle fatalities. Numerous discussions stemmed from the requirement to report motor vehicle fatalities, including fatal accidents involving company vehicles from home to work. Marilyn asked the committee members if they had any suggestions for vehicle safety as far as training, developing information and materials to let her know.

502 Committee:

Bob Harris reported the new "[Fall Protection – Options for Specialty Contractors](#)" guide is now available on the web site, and it should be back from the printer in the next few days.

Barry Moreland brought copies of a hearing study to share with the committee.

Mike Murphy had recently used the OR-OSHA DVD on noise in a training and said that the material was well received by the participants.

Dave Kaiser suggested another noise video/DVD be developed for more general noise in construction rather than road construction noise.

Barry said that Build It Smart has a good program for Train the Trainer.

Tony Barsotti mentioned that the web links on OR-OSHA's Construction Ergonomics page were broken. Marilyn replied that she is aware of the problem and that OR-OSHA will be fixing the links soon.

Health and Safety Issues (global/current):

*Ladder safety -*

Mike Mitchell reviewed the CPWR's, Don't Fall For It, ladder training and felt the training video had two areas of concern.

1. There is a point in the video where it states you **should** stay 10 feet away from power lines. The video should say must to reflect OR-OSHA standards.
2. The video also states that you should climb a ladder using a hand method using the rungs where you should be using the rails so you have continuous contact.

Training Opportunities (Revival of JEP) – Joe said Dave Parsons has agreed to work with AGC in gathering people and polling people that might be interested for the JEP program.

Permanent Anchor Committee -

Tony Barsotti reported that although the permanent anchor requirement did not make it through the Building Codes rule cycle, they did make significant headway. He felt that the Permanent Anchor Committee should continue and try again during the next Building Codes rule cycle. The committee will continue to meet but not as frequently at this point. He did not have enough resources to put a lot of time into the residential construction permanent anchors rule changes and offered to help if anyone wanted to head the committee.

Joe Miller said that he felt the committee should continue to work with Building codes on the requirement to install permanent fall protection anchor points. He felt that this effort started too late in the Building Codes Rule cycle and the committee should start earlier. He also said that he thinks that the committee should pursue proposed rules for residential construction anchor points.

Construction vs. Maintenance when working from permanent power -

Barry brought up two federal interpretations discussing insulated hand tools. Federal interpretations relate to General Industry requirements for certified insulated tools. There are no specific requirements for Construction activities although the electrical hazard is the same.

Michael Wood asked if a program directive to clarify the policy would be of value. Marilyn Schuster and Peggy Munsell agreed that a program directive would be useful and they will discuss further.

Tony Barsotti said that unless the directive is clear and effective, we should proceed with rulemaking to provide clarification of the insulated hand tools.

Ten Foot Power Line Rule- Nothing to Report

**3. NEW BUSINESS:**

Health & Safety Issues (global/current):

Joe asked if a company could use OR-OSHA's sampling data as part of their requirement for lead sampling. Chris Ottoson responded that OR-OSHA's sampling may not have covered all the aspects of the lead sampling requirements. The company can not use OR-OSHA's data as their only source of data because it may not be all encompassing.

Tony Barsotti discussed horizontal life line issues when using them for fall arrest over sharp edges and equipment failure. He said that some manufacturers are adding a shock absorber between the connector and d-ring reducing the potential for equipment failure.

Uniformity Issues:

Peggy discussed audiometric exams and the federal rules -vs.- OR-OSHA's rules. OR-OSHA does require annual exams where federal rules do not in the construction standard.

Open Forum:

Bruce Dennis asked where he can find statistical data on citations on OR-OSHA's website. It is on the federal website. Federal OSHA has citation data on their site and you are able to narrow down the search by the rule and state. OR-SHA is currently working on a statistics page that will bring together the links to statistical information and will include fatality information.

Future Meetings:

Tony Barsotti will act as chair for the next meeting, which is scheduled for August 2, 2006, at 9 AM in Room B, at the L & I Building in Salem.