

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Alta Schafer	David Douglas	Melissa Diede
Bret Taylor	Eliot Lapidus	Mike Riffe
Brian Silbernagel	Emily Crews	Nathan Taylor
Bruce Roller	Gary Beck	Pat Brunson
Bryan Davis	Jeff Wilson	Paul Magrone
Candice Teague	Jeremy Lawson	Roger Dale-Moore
Chris Ottoson	Mark Tobiasson	Ryan Schurr
Clark Vermillion	Mary Lou Wilson	

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor.
Self-introductions were made.
Minutes of the August meeting were approved.

Lessons Learned:

Eliot shared they had a ladder safety demonstration and the supplier had a vertical portable ladder lift that was neat. He suggested companies look into new materials and training.

United rentals have a zero gravity arm that can hold your tool to help safely work. It mounts the basket of the lift.

Electrical Training Alliance (ETA) has a great OSHA 500 training, and they did a great job teaching it.

Continuing Business:

Status of Rule Making:

OR-OSHA will hold public hearings on electronic recordkeeping to improve tracking of workplace illnesses and injuries. <http://osha.oregon.gov/OSHARules/proposed/2016/ltr-div1-0700.pdf>
contact Jeff Wilson at Jeffrey.R.Wilson@oregon.gov

Employer Knowledge (Division 1)

Summary: Oregon OSHA plans to complete rulemaking that addresses the issue of employer knowledge and the role of reasonable diligence in determining whether an employer has “constructive knowledge” of a violation in the worksite.

Timetable: Oregon OSHA had initial discussions with a small group of stakeholders in July and August, 2015 and reconvened on April 28, 2016. A meeting was held on May 20, 2016 with more discussion around the proposed rule language for employer knowledge and reasonable diligence. There was a suggestion to convene a smaller sub-group to discuss rule language.

Update: Oregon OSHA is continuing to line up sub-group participants.

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Occupational Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica (Divisions 2, 3, and 5)

Summary: Federal OSHA adopted the Occupational Exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica standard on March 25, 2016, into general industry, construction, and maritime. Oregon OSHA convened a stakeholder group on May 27. Oregon OSHA is proposing rule development that combines Division 2, general industry rules and Division 3, construction rules as many of the same sets of rules are found within each division. A mockup of what those rules would like was handed out. Follow-up with the stakeholders is scheduled for June 26; rule drafts will be presented.

Timetable: Oregon OSHA will be proposing final rules by July 15 followed by public hearings (date and location to be determined.) **Update:** Oregon OSHA filed the [rule proposal](#) on July 22. Hearings are schedule for August and September. See link for locations and dates/times.

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Silica

OR-OSHA held public hearings for Proposed Changes to Occupational Exposure to Respirable Silica in General Industry, Construction, and Maritime.

<http://osha.oregon.gov/OSHArules/proposed/2016/ltr-div235-fr3-25-16-silica.pdf>

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

Accidents

1. August 4th Nehalem

Employee was loading decking when the load shifted and pinned his leg. Employee twisted and fell from cap approximately 42 inches causing spiral fracture.

2. August 8th Beaverton

The injured employee was standing behind a Mdl. XT850 ditchwitch unit. One employee was in the operator's seat at the time of the accident with the unit running. The unit was close to the wall of Bldg 2 and a hole had been dug between the unit and the wall. Standing behind the ditchwitch, the employee's foot slipped on the edge of the hole and he reached and grabbed a lever on the unit which caused the unit to move backward rolling onto his legs pinning his legs in a crossed position under the ditchwitch. The operator of the unit went to get help. The injured employee was taken by ambulance to the hospital. His leg was broken above the ankle in three places.

3. August 15th Tualatin

Employee was using a grinder and cut his finger. Employee went to restroom to clean up and bandage finger. In bathroom employee lost consciousness hit his head, cut his ear and passed out on the floor. Employee was transported to Legacy Meridian Park hospital (possibly transported to another hospital).

4. August 18th North Powder

Working night shift I-84 on the shoulder East bound. Forklift and F350 pickup behind with flashers on. A semi-truck veered and hit the F350 in the rear and it hit the forklift OSP came out wrote three citations to the semi-truck.

5. August 24th Eugene

Two workers fell approximately 15 feet to the ground level. One worker broke his arm in 3 places. The second worker broke several ribs near the back and suffered a bruised liver as well as other internal injuries. The roofers were doing tear off of an existing flat roof. The underlayment was 2X6 T&G and some areas had been identified to have some rot. The areas were marked off with paint. The first worker fell through in that area and the Monitor tried to grab the worker as he fell. The Monitor ended up falling as well.

6. August 22nd Boardman

Demolition work being conducted on a second story. Employee was throwing plywood when glove got caught on a nail or screw. Employee went through a wall opening. He had a harness and lanyard but was not tied off. Resulted in a broken wrist, elbow, and forearm. Fall 9.5 feet

Fatalities

1. August 4th Baker City

Employee was ejected from his vehicle when his car rolled after colliding with another vehicle.

2. August 4th Sweet Home

A forest service employee found the worker slumped over in the vehicle. The vehicle was in park, running and the driver side was open. 65 year old male doing security patrol. Presumed died of natural causes.

3. August 7th PDX

Security employee was found dead from a gunshot wound.

4. August 26th PDX

Deceased, drove to job site with his son. When they arrived at the job site, The son approached the supervisor and told him that his dad wasn't feeling well, that he'd been coughing up blood, and that he was going to take him to the hospital. Before leaving again, The father told the son that he needed to use the restroom. The father entered the porta-potty, while the son stood outside the door talking to him. At some point, The father stopped talking, and the son and co-workers pried open the door. 911 was called. Medics, Fire, and Police arrived. Medics worked on the father for some time before he was declared dead on the scene. The ME stated that it appeared to be natural causes. The father was a 68 year old heavy equipment operator.

5. August 29th Elkton

A Choker Setter was working on the rigging when he collapsed. Cause of death is unknown.

Round table:

There have been numerous grinder accidents lately. It was noticed that people are taking the handles off of them. Has OR-OSHA seen the same issues? Jeff was not sure of the answer.

There was a company observed removing guard rails with the track hoe chained the flatbed trailer being pulled by the truck.

-OSHA would look at the manufactures recommendations as to whether or not it would be allowable to be used in such a way. Also if the ground was stable to support the work being done.

ASSE is not meeting at suites. They are going on a field trip to the Salem-Keizer School District

Santiam Section

Next Meeting: Vocational Safety for Youth (*NOTE: This is a rare offsite meeting*)

When: Tuesday, September 13 at 7:00 AM

Where: Salem-Keizer School District Career Technical Education Center
3501 Portland Road Northeast
Salem, OR 97301

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NOTICE: This month is different. We are at an offsite location with free breakfast for all that RSVP by September 9.

ASSE Santiam Section welcomes you to our September 13th meeting. We have an exciting presentation for you. This month is not at our usual site, instead is at *Salem-Keizer School District's Career Technical Education Center (CTEC)*.

Topic: Career Technical Education for high school students with safety programs in place. Tour of facility.

Presenters: John Honey, CTEC Principal, and Jim Orth, CTE Coordinator.

John and Jim will discuss the CTEC programs of Commercial Manufacturing, Residential Construction, Cosmetology, and 3D Design (video game programming) giving high school students' career-specific training with accompanying english, math, and science classes tailored to their programs. Students learn and practice all the safety requirements for their careers.

For more information: <http://ctecsaalemkeizer.com/>

Audience: Safety, Environmental Health, Industrial Hygiene, Managers, Consultants, Operations and Facilities Managers, and anybody that employs young adults.

Directions: The entrance to CTEC is directly across Portland Rd from Carleton Way NE. Enter the driveway and continue straight to the end then go right to the north parking lot.

Portland is still working out what they want for requirements with pedestrians and bicyclists in construction zones.

Next Meeting:

October 4, 2016

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