

Oregon OSHA
Construction Advisory Committee
Tuesday, August 2, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Al Lee	Doug Pettyjohn	Kyan Bartel
Alta Schafer	Eden Berestoff	Kyle Smith
Angelica Valdivieso	Eric Elkins	Lisa Pickert
Annmarie Earl	Eric Fullan	Lynn Craig
Bashiru Mumuni	Gary Gripp	Mary Lou Wilson
Bill Haskins	Greig Lowell	Michael Gordon
Brad Nanke	Hailey Latherow	Mike Brunenkant
Brandy Cannon	Holt Andron	Nathan Taylor
Brian Silbernagel	Ilene Ferrell	Renée Stapleton
Bryan Davis	Jackie Boyd	Robert Miller
Bryan Ortiz	Jake Errico	Robert Nichols
Bryon Snapp	Jamie Ziegler	Roy Shawgo
Chris Dahl	Jared Ottinger	Sean Tinker
Connie Graybeal	Jeff Wilson	Shane Jundt
Dale Lindstrom	Jennifer Flood	Stephen Heaven
Darby Ramos	Jeremy Lawson	Steve Huson
Darren Toy	Jim Anderson	Tony Howard
David Davidson	Jim Mahar	Travis Stone
David Ellis	Justin Scott	Troy Stroud
Dede Montgomery	Kirsten Adams	

The meeting was called to order by Nathan Taylor.

Previous Meeting Minutes.

The July meeting minutes were approved.

Lessons Learned & Safety Suggestions:

Oregon OSHA has not received any heat related fatalities from the heat wave this last week. There was one person who was experiencing symptoms and was able to call for help and he is doing fine. Oregon OSHA received so far 163 complaints that were heat related and are working through the process to address them.

Continuing Business:

Status of Rule Making:

COVID-19 rule: proposed changes through the normal rulemaking process that includes the revisions with the last temporary adoptions from March of 2022. This is necessary so that the less restrictive temporary adoptions remain in place and more restrictive provisions from December 2021 don't revert back. The deadline for the temporary changes is September. There were 4 public hearings held on July 28th & 29th.

<https://osha.oregon.gov/OSHArules/proposed/2022/ltr-proposed-covid-19-june2022.pdf>

the public comment period is open until August 12, 2022.

Tony: question on Section 5, notification process for close contact; employer paying for testing should continue this process.

Greig- the rule does use the word should rather than shall. It is not a requirement, but it is recommended.

Consultation for Public Entities: Oregon OSHA has restarted the rulemaking process regarding the correction of serious hazards consultation provided by 21d funded consultants or public entities under consultation, and confidentiality of an entity's inspection report. This rulemaking had originally been started by Oregon OSHA late in 2020, but that effort was stalled due to COVID-19 related rulemaking activities.

OR-Standards Improvement Process: updating punctuation through out the rules.

Lead: Blood lead levels PEL. Federal OSHA has started to update their rule so we will need to look at theirs as we continue to work on updating ours.

Non-entry firefighting will get started up again, there is a lot of interest in getting this one completed.

Employer Knowledge- the last time we took public comments was 2 years ago, and we are going to reengage with stakeholders and have more targeted conversations on this subject.

Ag labor housing meeting and worked on. We are taking all comments received to date and prioritizing ideas to take back to the advisory groups.

Interagency Task Force for ALH meeting. Requested by the governor. The task force will be a forum for clarifying agency regulatory responsibility and gaps and providing for more coordinated enforcement efforts.

Tony: Heat illness, Compliance Officer's allowed to work as much overtime as they would like to address heat complaints?

Bryon- they are authorized, but we have not utilized that. They have a flexible work schedule so they are able to adjust their schedule to work on heat related complaints and inspections.

Tony- had a Compliance Officer (CO) show up last week and they received an anonymous complaint for someone that wasn't on their job site. Concern is that the CO could be make up a complaint just to get over time. there should be additional authorizations before they go out.

Bryon- We do look into the business need before we authorize them to go out.

Renee- under our ACT we can do a self-referral if they see a serious hazard, but they still have to contact their manager for checks and balances.

Oregon OSHA Spotlight:

Each month will be something different that Oregon OSHA will spotlight. If you have any ideas on what you would like covered please let Nathan Taylor or Roberto Aguilar know.

Bryon Snapp: Accident Synopsis October 13, 2021 in Eastern Oregon

Lumbermill, waiting to remove equipment called a shaver. Company used an out of state company to remove the old equipment.

A Crane made contact with a power line. operator moved truck out of the lines, and then after a few minutes, two tires blew from the electrical contact knocking the operator 33 feet back. There were minor injuries. [BKT Lightning Strike White Paper.pdf \(roadsandbridges.s3.amazonaws.com\)](https://roadsandbridges.s3.amazonaws.com/BKT_Lightning_Strike_White_Paper.pdf)

Oregon Contractor Spotlight

David Ellis, Tapani –

Shared Overhead Power Consultation. Oregon OSHA came out to help design a site-specific plan to outline and define work zones and process moving forward.

How important Oregon OSHA consultation was.

Planning to install a 30" DI line under a road. Found residential power lines were within 10' of the equipment.

Monthly Accidents and Fatalities Report:

If there is an accident or fatality incident that you would like more information on let Nathan and Jeff know so we can track it and can discuss once the case is able to be discussed.

The following is preliminary information as reported at the time of the accident intake.

Accidents

1. July 22nd. Veneta
Employee was instructing a new hire on how to use a router when he reached in and contacted the router bit resulting in a amputation of his right middle finger at the first knuckle.
The router used in the accident discussed in the meeting was traditional heavy-duty router. They were doing some sort of custom cutting on a glulam. Approximately 3/4 of an inch was cut off of the tip of the finger.
2. July 20th, Oxbow
The injured employee was working from a platform ladder located inside of a hydroelectric dam and fell approximately 15 feet to a lower level. Accident resulted in fractured ribs, lacerated liver, collapsed lung and fractured vertebrae.
3. July 13th Winston
Employee Forklift Driver was observed by an employee a bit shaky filling out some paperwork but denied feeling poorly. At break the driver was observed moving a load to a wrong location and it was discussed with him by another employee as they went to break to a cool breakroom. On the way back from break the employee had a seizure and his head was bumped while falling to or on the ground having a seizure. The employee was transported to the hospital and admitted and released the afternoon of 7/14- diagnosed as dehydration. Approximately 85 F
4. July 6th, Eugene
The employee was working at less than four feet on a scaffold and fell and broke his arm. He was taken to the hospital where he underwent surgery and was kept overnight.
5. July 5th, Sutherlin
Employee fell off a ladder 15 feet to the ground resulting in a head injury and fractured ribs.
6. July 25th Portland
Employee was a DC Associate that was picking orders. Employee was operating an Order Picker (elevated Working Platform) when he apparently fell approximately 20 feet to the ground below. There were no witnesses to the moment of the fall, but there were employees that found the employee on the ground in the moments afterwards. Employee was wearing a fall harness on the ground and the lanyard was still attached to the mast at the top of the picker. Employee was unconscious when found by coworker with blood exiting from the ears and nose. Employee was transported via ambulance to Emanuel hospital and is still there and has not regained consciousness.
The order picker, harness and lanyard are on site and the unit has been tagged out of service.
7. July 25th Wilsonville
Employee was using small piece of wood with pocket drill when left pointer finger slipped into path of drill, cutting tip of finger. Amputation to first knuckle is expected.
8. July 12th Salem
Employee works as a substitute custodian and was washing windows in the boys locker room at a High School. As employee was climbing up the ladder to reach the windows, he missed either the 4th or 5th step on the ladder and fell. Employee landed on his right side and was not able to stand and put pressure on his leg. Employee yelled out for help and two

summer hourly employees working in another area of the boys locker room heard him and came to his aid. The accident resulted in a broken hip.

Fatalities

1. July 25th, Drain
Employee was operating a Cat 518 Grapple Skidder on a logging road. The skidder went off the roadway and rolled down an embankment 630+ feet before stopping. 54 year old male.
2. July 18th Corvallis
Employee clocked in to work at 8:07 am, was found hanging (suicide) around 10:15 am out in the auto wrecking yard, caller was unsure of exact location. CPR was administered, 911 was called. 36 year old male.
3. July 10th, Philomath
Heart Attack. 63 year old male.
4. July 10th Bend
Employee went to use the restroom at approx 3:15 PM. Another employee went to use restroom and noticed that it was locked. Waited a few minutes, after several minutes, EE's were concerned, so they broke the door down to discover the victim on the toilet unresponsive. They brought him to the ground and began CPR. They called 911. EMS arrived and also attempted CPR, but was pronounced dead at the scene. 49 year old male.

Anonymous Questions:

If you have anything you would like to bring up at the meetings and would like to stay anonymous, let Roberto Aguilar or Nathan Taylor know and they will bring it up for you.

Nothing was shared.

Round table:

Mike- next Thursday, Eugene safety group touring Knife River facility.

Dede- OYES- we have a strategic planning meeting in August 17, 2022 in Salem, and an item we are discussing expanded OSHA-10 training for youth. If you have any interest please reach out to her montgomd@ohsu.edu.

Oregon Healthy Workforce Center Summer Institute recordings and handouts are now posted at: <https://www.ohsu.edu/oregon-healthy-workforce-center/summer-institute-occupational-health-psychology-total-worker> -TWH 101 in AM and panel/case studies shared in afternoon including from Mike Ellis of Apollo Mech.

Jackie: 2020 Oregon Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (OR-FACE) Annual Report: <https://www.ohsu.edu/sites/default/files/2022-07/CCC-21951439-OR-FACE-Occupational-Fatality-2020-RPRT-070722-WEB%20Final.pdf>

Holt: Oregon is participating in a [West Coast Challenge that is part of Safe and Sound Week](#). You can sign up to take part in the event. A fun opportunity to promote Work Place Safety.

If you have any topics that you would like Oregon OSHA to talk about to the group, please let [Alta Schafer](#) or [Nathan Taylor](#) know.

Next Meeting:

September 6, 2022
Zoom Meeting