

Recognizing Work Zones

Recognizing work patterns for vehicles, mobile equipment and your co-workers, as well as knowing the work zone boundaries on your site and where they intersect or overlap can mitigate the risk a potential injury.

Here are some examples that can lead to injury:

- Not completing a Field Level Hazard Assessment (FLHA).
- Rushing to complete work.
- Not paying attention or familiar with the potential hazards within your work zone.
- Working while mentally or physically fatigued.

How to protect yourself and others:

- Ensure an FLHA has been completed and a Toolbox Talk has been done before starting work.
- Communicate with your co-workers and let them know where you are at all times.
- When communicating with your co-workers always establish eye contact.
- Do not enter another persons work zone until that person can see and has acknowledged you are there.
- Let the your co-worker know that you are leaving their work zone.
- Know where work zone boundaries overlap and intersect.
- **Use the hierarchy of controls and plan your work accordingly.**



Not only is it good practice to understand the potential hazards on your work site. It is also vital to communicate changes to patterns and boundaries to your co-workers so they can be better understand the risks.

Summary

Crush injuries can be deadly, and can be particularly difficult to guard against because they are everywhere. In some cases these crushing hazards cannot be prevented by safety controls or even personal protective equipment (PPE). In most cases understanding your work zone can reduce the risk of injury.

Let's discuss what could affect you and your co-workers

List the some of the working patterns for mobile equipment, vehicles and your co-workers?

Can you identify the work zones on your site?

List some other potential hazards that can occur from not recognizing the worksite boundaries and patterns?

Can you list some other ways we can protect ourselves from Crushing Hazards within the work zones?

MEETING DESCRIPTION			
Meeting Date:		Time:	
Location:		Supervisor:	
Number in Crew:		Number Attended:	
Attended By:			Absent

REVIEW ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING	INCIDENTS/INJURIES REVIEWED

TOPICS DISCUSSED
1.) Crushing Hazard – Recognizing Work Zones

WORKERS CONCERNS

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN

MEETING CONDUCTED BY			
Supervisor:		Manager:	
Date:		Date:	