

SAFETY ZONE NEWS

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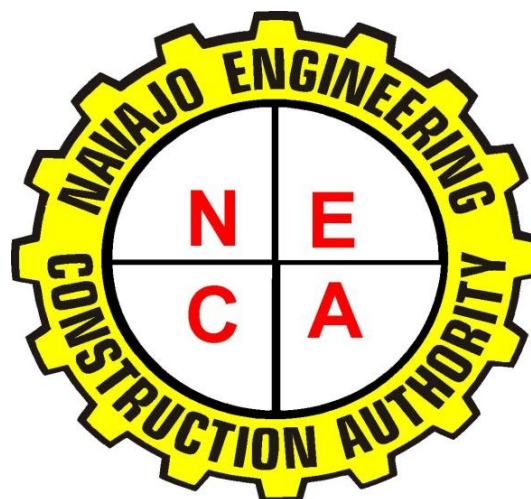
Navajo Nation Insurance Safety & Health Safety Award

Last week, at the 2017 Navajo Nation Insurance Safety & Health Conference, NECA received a Safety Award.

NECA was recognized for "Efforts in Striving to Develop and Maintain a Healthy & Safe Environment". The Safety Award was presented to NECA by the Navajo Nation Insurance Safety and Health Committee.

This is great honor for all the employees of NECA. The Navajo Nation Insurance Safety & Health committee recognized all the hard work and effort that the employees of NECA are putting forward in order to maintain safe work areas and safe work environments.

All NECA employees should be proud of this award because it was



earned with the efforts of all NECA employees.

NECA is gaining a good reputation of working safe and looking out for our fellow workers.

Congratulations to all the employees of NECA, keep up the good work.

Be safe



What to Look For

The following events are scheduled for the month of July 2017:

1. August 23, 2017 – Reasonable Suspicion Training for the Supervisor, Base 5, 830am - 12pm.

2. August 24, 2017 – First Aid/CPR/AED, Base 5, 8am-2pm.

Employee times and cards will be charged to your project.

To sign-up, get approval from your supervisor.

SUPERVISORS - I sent out a survey concerning the use of company e-mails, I have only received one back. Please send in your response ASAP to the Safety Department so we can address your concerns.

"It is important that you keep yourself safe to prevent injury or illness."

REPORTING HAZARDS

How fast can an accident happen? By the time you finished reading the previous sentence, an American worker has been injured. According the National Safety Council, an American worker is injured every seven seconds, that's 12,900 workers per day and 4.7 million a year. In 2015, 4,379 workers were killed on the job. That is 93 workers per week or 13 workers per day. Out of 4,379 worker fatalities 937 or 21.4% were in construction. An average of 50,000 workers die from occupational related illnesses or injuries per year.

Going back to the question of "How fast can an accident happen?", an accident can happen in a split second without warning. Some accidents have warnings, meaning unsafe on the worksite recognized hazards that are not reported for correction. Both of these types of accidents are predictable and preventable. Both are due to unsafe conditions and behaviors. It is the responsibility of the employee who recognizes an unsafe condition or behavior to immediately stop the unsafe condition or behavior. By stopping the unsafe condition immediately you are preventing injury and property and time loss.

If you see something unsafe - stop it, don't wait to call the Safety Officer or your foreman. Remember how fast an accident can happen and what the consequences could be.

"Being employed at NECA you accept the responsibility to strive towards an accident free environment. It is your responsibility to protect yourself and fellow employees from common workplace hazards." *NECA Safety Policy.*



SAFE MAN-HOUR AWARDS

NECA would like to recognize the following work crews.

These crews have reached their goal of Safe Man-hours worked during the month of July.

Each member of these work crews will be receiving a Safety Award as a token of appreciation for working safe.

NECA thanks you for your dedication and hard work.

602	Mark Nelson
603	Ned Johnson
605	Benson Charley
612	Kenneth Walthall
615	Thomas Tso
	Mechanic Shop
	Bryan Weaver
	Warehouse
	Tom Chee

HUMAN PERFORMANCE

Human error is the leading factor in nearly every incident and fatality. Distractions can happen to anyone at any given time. The more familiar we are with the task, the easier it is to become complacent and lose your focus. That loss of focus can lead to an error which can lead to an incident or loss of life. The risk of error and injury is the same at all experience levels. So assess your situation and take action. If you can answer “yes” to any of the following assessment questions, your performance may affect our incident-free operations.

“Protect Yourself, Get Educated”



Individual Factors:

1. Are you feeling stressed, distracted or worried due to work or personal issues?
2. Are you excessively fatigued or do you have many things distracting you from the task at hand?



Task Demands:

1. Are the procedures and instructions for the task unclear?
2. Does the task require high concentrations or multitasking?
3. Does the task require more time than allowed?
4. Are you capable of performing the task but feel that you require more guidance?



Organizational Factors:

1. Do you feel insecure about your ability to use Stop-Work Authority?
2. Are you unclear about your roles and responsibilities?
3. Are you uncomfortable communicating with your peers and supervisors?
4. Do you feel pressured to take shortcuts?

“Work safe, be safe”



Work Environment:

1. Is the environment (temperature, ventilation, room for movement, egress, lighting, or noise level) different from what was expected or planned for?
2. Are you in an environment prone to unanticipated distractions?
3. Are you working in unpredictable or constantly changing conditions?
4. Are labels, signs or displays inadequate?

You, your co-workers and your supervisors can take preventive actions to reduce the risks to working safely and productive. Get help. Get clarification. Get focused.

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"Workers have the right to be safe on the job and to speak up if they are concerned about hazardous conditions."

REMINDER – SCHOOL ZONES

The 2017-2018 School Year has started in most places of the Navajo Nation and surrounding communities.

1. Please be extra careful when driving to and from your jobsites.
2. Be aware of stopped school buses with flashing lights and children crossing the roadways.
3. Obey all posted speed limits signs in and around school zones.
4. Watch for Crossing Guards and children in crosswalks.
5. Do not text or use cellular phones when operating any NECA vehicle.

Your adherence to this reminder is mandatory.

TOP 8 SAFE DRIVING TIPS

1. Plan your trip in advance.
2. Remember that speeding does not get you there faster.
3. Never drink and drive.
4. Pay attention to road signs and markings.
5. Never drive while tired.
6. Keep a 2 second gap between you and the vehicle in front of you.
7. Never get distracted by texting, eating, and likewise while driving. Stay focused on the task of driving safely.
8. Always reduce your speed while driving through a construction zone.

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PLEASE START THE "NO TEXTING & DRIVING CULTURE" AT HOME.

Remember your loved ones are on the road too.