



Safety Meeting: March 16, 2011

Location: Kennewick Office

Attendees: Don Warf, Alan Brower, Darren Chase, Roger Clark, Troy Humphrey, Scott Livingston & Jenn Nighbor

Absent: None

Recorded by: Jenn Nighbor

Agenda Items:

Previous Business:

Any issues that remained from previous meetings were reviewed and updates were provided and noted below.

All work vehicles need to be serviced.

Update: Darren, Alan & Scott need to be completed. Troy's vehicle completed.

Don will pick up something to safely secure equipment up the ladder.

Update: Scott to look into this one. Don to pick something up.

Jenn to look into vehicle mounted cell phone amps.

Update: Scott/Jenn to work on this one.

Jenn to look into personal eyewash options for the office and individually wrapped aspirin.

Update: Jenn to work on this one.

Harness inspections are due.

Update: Have a call into our Norco Rep., will schedule when I hear back.

Safety Equipment Needs

Scott – Need new waders, and steel toes

Update: Still need to purchase.

Darren – waders, steel toes

Update: Still need to purchase.

Don - Extra face shields to be hung at each cutting device

Update: Still need to purchase.

Staff - Cold weather tight fitting gloves

Update: Troy to pick these up.

Staff – Steel toe rubber boots

Update: Alan and Scott purchased these items.

Orange Vests to be purchased.

Update: Don purchased vests, which are housed in the PPE locker in the shop. Make sure you have summer weight and winter weight sized vests. Everyone should have two orange vests.

Equipment

Does anyone need any equipment?

Roger – needs cold weather gear

Don will go with Roger to Ranch & Home and get all the cold weather gear.

Don will pick up sunglass style safety glasses.

Vehicles

Do you have any concerns regarding your work vehicle?

Darren's vehicle will get a new windshield tomorrow, March 17.

Scott's rear windshield washer fluid dispenser doesn't work.

Hands free phone unit – Please note: To comply with Washington State Law, if the hands free cell phone unit is not working in your vehicle, you need to pull over to answer the call.

Safety Concerns – Field Locations

Are there any safety concerns with any of the field locations? No issues to report at this time.

Safety Concerns – Kennewick Office

Are there any safety concerns with the Kennewick Field Office?

Darren is wrapping pipe in the shop. The pipe is secured to the bench but be aware of any potential tripping hazards around this work area.

Training

Safety Training – Poisonous Spider Identification

http://www.emedicinehealth.com/slideshow_black_widow_brown_recluse_spiders/article_em.htm

Jenn reviewed a slideshow which identifies known poisonous spiders in the Pacific Northwest, the black widow and brown recluse. This slideshow explained how to identify the spiders, what symptoms to look out for and displayed photos of wounds from these spider bites.

Safety Training – Five Dangerous Western Plants

After reviewing this handout during the PSMFC – Portland monthly safety meeting in February, it was shared with the PSMFC – Kennewick Field Office staff to provide increased awareness of these potential hazards as staff work in the field.