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## West Texas AGC News & Resources

### SAFETY TIPS - COVID-19 Recommended Practices, Plans, Tips

Do you have a COVID-19 plan that is being followed to protect workers, visitors and the community at your work sites and place of work? If not, the potential for construction workers to get COVID-19 or spread the virus could result in the construction industry no longer being deemed an essential business.

#### **Challenge to the West Texas AGC Membership**

By November 10th every job site should have a plan or an updated plan and hold a safety meeting focusing on COVID-19. Refer to 'Guidance for Construction' and 'Creating a Plan' in today's newsletter to assist you. Contact the WTAGC chapter at 325.676.7447 for additional information.

*Let us know how your company is part of the solution! Send updates to [chughes@wtagc.org](mailto:chughes@wtagc.org)*



Allow workers to wear masks over their nose and mouth to prevent them from spreading the virus.

[workingsafe.agc.org](http://workingsafe.agc.org)

### AGC Weekly Safety Topics

AGC provides weekly safety topics on COVID-19 best practices. Click button below and print the posters for job sites and training. View more [HERE](#)

[Wearing Masks - English](#)

[Wearing Masks - Spanish](#)

[Guidance for Construction Workforce OSHA 4000 - English](#)

[Guidance for Construction Workforce OSHA 4001 - Spanish](#)

## Creating a plan to protect workers and prevent the spread of COVID-19 on construction job sites

### COVID-19 Construction Clearinghouse

A central resource for construction employers and workers to find the latest information and resources to help prevent the spread of the disease.

**VISIT THE SITE**

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) recommend that companies develop a plan to protect their employees and prevent the spread of COVID-19. This free COVID-19 Exposure Control Planning

Tool takes you step-by-step through developing your plan, including what to consider when conducting a job hazard analysis for COVID-19, selecting appropriate controls, screening workers and visitors, training employees, and implementing the plan. Remember to take advantage of your employees' knowledge of job site conditions as you develop your plan.

[How to Create a Plan](#)

### Message from Steve Sandherr, CEO of AGCA to all AGC members

Steve Sandherr, CEO of AGCA, sent a notice on November 2, 2020 with a sharp and intense reminder of the following:

*Given the current environment, I write today to encourage all of you to redouble your efforts to ensure that every member of your teams, on every job site, is following each and every coronavirus safety measure that you have put in place. As we can see, the coronavirus, and public perceptions of it, leaves no margin for error when it comes to the safety of our workers and our communities. Any lapses in safety protocols by any construction worker at any construction site will be held against the entire industry and could be used to rationalize new restrictions on construction activity.*

*Please take this opportunity to review all coronavirus safety procedures with your entire teams. Schedule new safety stand downs and other training sessions to review those procedures and set expectations for complete compliance and constantly reinforce, and enforce, your coronavirus safety procedures. [Read entire letter click HERE](#)*

**There have been a relaxing of COVID-19 safety protocols and it is critically important that this be changed and each company uphold the**

safety measures needed with distancing, masks, wellness checks, etc. Much of today's newsletter is dedicated to reiterate information available and guidelines for use by the industry. There are additional resources on our website and by calling the West Texas AGC Chapter.

*Thank you in advance for being part of the solution. Cassie Hughes*

## More Contractors Report Canceled Projects Than Starts, Survey Finds; Construction Employment Declined in Most Metros in Latest 12 Months

Construction firms are experiencing widespread project deferrals and cancellations, along with disruptions to ongoing work and few new project awards, as the economic damage from the pandemic drags down industry employment in metro areas across the nation, according to a new survey and an analysis of new government data that the Associated General Contractors of America released last week. AGC officials urged Congress to pass new coronavirus relief measures to head off further job losses.



[Read More](#)

## Interesting Election Results from Around Texas

About 58% of Austin voters as of Tuesday night had voted for a proposal to dedicate 8.75 cents of the city's property tax rate for Project Connect, an ambitious \$7.1 billion plan to add rail lines and expand bus service in the capital city. Similar propositions had failed in previous elections. Austinites also approved a separate proposition allocating \$460 million for transit improvements such as bike lanes, urban trails and sidewalks.

"Austin is pushing to be more sustainable, equitable and affordable in new and innovative ways," Mayor Steve Adler said in a statement on Tuesday. "The community has spoken, and it demands transformative change to traffic, climate and to achieve fundamental fairness and justice for all."

In San Antonio, around 68% of voters approved Proposition A, which will rededicate a 1/8-cent share of an already existing local sales tax towards public transit, beginning in 2026. VIA, San Antonio's transit agency, will be able to add the funds to the 5/8-cent share that it already receives.

City of Garland Proposition A, which proposed a [new location](#) for a library branch, was overwhelmingly approved with over 79% of voters in favor. By approving the proposition, voters signed off on building a new and expanded Walnut Creek Library Branch at Hollabaugh Park in west Garland.

## Election 2020: A Political & Policy Reboot for Construction?

Friday, November 13 | 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET  
FREE for Members

[Click for Flyer & Registration](#)

## Stackable GM Vehicle Discounts Available

AGC members can enjoy a private offer of GM Fleet and Associated General Contractors of America offer \$500 on Retail or \$1000 on Fleet Delivery toward the purchase or lease of select General Motors vehicles. Association members can combine this offer with most current incentives, including current active offers.

Fleet Cash Offers, Now - January 4, 2021:

- \$1,500 on 19MY HD K2 Double Cabs



[Learn More About GM Benefit Programs](#)

## Bond Elections RESULTS from November 3rd Election

The West Texas Chapter tracked a few of the bond elections in the chapter territory and where our members are working. In the coming months, we will follow projects that have passed. In most ISD's the architectural firms have completed much of the design work and projects will be ready to kick off soon!

Area Bond Election Results  
from November 3, 2020

ENTITY	LOCATION	TITLE	AMOUNT	RESULTS
Benjamin ISD	Benjamin	Bond Election	\$21 M	PASSED
Frenship ISD	Wolfforth	Bond Election	\$299.7 M	PASSED
Jim Ned ISD	Tuscola / Buffalo Gap	Proposition A	\$25.9 M	PASSED
Jim Ned ISD	Tuscola / Buffalo Gap	Proposition B	\$7.8 M	PASSED
Northwest ISD	Varies - Fort Worth Area	Propositions ABCD	\$986.6 M	FAILED
Roby ISD	Roby	Bond Election	\$10.8 M	PASSED
Rotan ISD	Rotan	Bond Election	\$15 M	PASSED
Wichita Falls ISD	Wichita Falls	Proposition A	\$276.4 M	TBD - BY MAIL IN VOTES
Wichita Falls ISD	Wichita Falls	Proposition B	\$13.6 M	FAILED

## Needing to Hire? Advertise at Sites Targeting Construction Markets

AGC members receive 20% discount when they post a job notice on ***Texas Construction Careers!***

Check out the many features of job resumes, education, and testimonials on ***Texas Construction Careers*** site. [Click HERE](#)



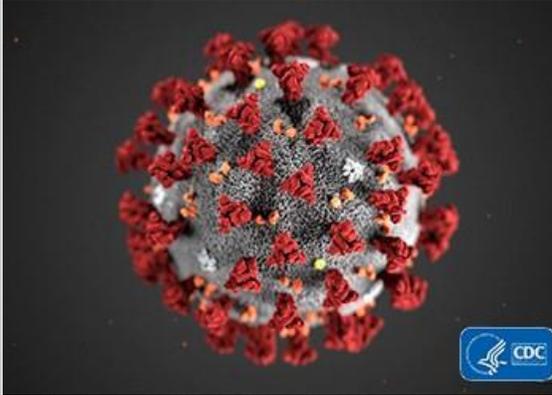
The ***West Texas AGC Chapter Job Board*** is an affordable \$49.00 per month per job posting!

## Protecting Jobsites During Protests and Potential Violence

- **SECURING THE JOBSITE:** The risk for civil unrest related to the election remains. Construction jobsites can be targets.
- **CHAPTER RESOURCE**

Please find attached checklist from 'AON' for contractors to prepare and protect their property, but also their employees, trade partners and clients.

## [Protecting Jobsites](#)



### COVID-19 Resources and Updates

West Texas AGC and AGC of America update their COVID Resource sites to provide you with current information as it is available. This covers job site guidelines, employees, legislative and other regulatory notices from CDC, OSHA, WHO, etc.

[Visit our website](#)

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