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West Texas AGC News & Resources

VETERANS DAY



— Honoring All Who Served —



On Veterans Day, we honor those who have served in the past, present and pays tribute to those who will serve in the future.

This November 11th, a Veterans Day Moment of Silence calls on all Americans to observe two minutes of silence beginning at 3:11 pm Atlantic standard time, (1:11 pm CST) in honor of the service and sacrifice of veterans throughout the history of the nation. The 3:11 pm time was chose because in 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in World War I.

The difference in how Veterans are honored on this day compared to Memorial Day - as the name implies; Memorial Day is a time to pay respect and honor those who have died either while serving their country, as a result of military service, or after they have finished serving as a retired or separated veteran.

AGC Summary of Vaccine and Testing ETS

Attached is AGC of America's summary of the OSHA ETS. Special thanks to our safety and health experts Kevin Cannon and Nazia Shah for working tirelessly on this document over the last few days. Click picture or title for summary.



Safety Tip: Who Needs OSHA 10 Training vs OSHA 30 Training?

OSHA Training, most often referred to as OSHA 10 Training and OSHA 30 Training, provides workers with basic training about some of the most common health and safety hazards on the job. **The 10-hour training program is primarily intended for entry level workers.** The 30-hour training program is intended to provide workers who have some safety responsibility a greater depth and variety of training.

The purpose is to "promote workplace safety and health and to make workers more knowledgeable about workplace hazards and their rights."

Even though OSHA does not require anyone to complete the OSHA 10-hour or 30-hour Outreach Training courses... some states, municipalities, and private companies have made the classes mandatory for their workers.

It is a common practice in the construction industry for employees to go through OSHA classes specified for construction.

Benefits of Training

Whether you are required to or not, giving your workers the opportunity to complete their 10-hour or 30-hour OSHA training can be highly beneficial, both for you and them:

- It shows that you have made a good-faith effort to improve safety in your workplace, which helps reduce the severity of OSHA fines and penalties.
- It gives workers a strong foundation to understand workplace hazards and the importance of safety.
- It sets the tone for a positive safety culture among your employees.
- It helps reduce the number of accidents and injuries in the workplace.
- It's appealing to hiring companies, insurance providers, and other key stakeholders who want to see low incident rates.

If you would like additional information on [OSHA Training Resources](#) Click here.

10% Savings - on line Courses

FREE Online Trenching & Excavation Safety Training

AGC of America, supported by a Susan Harwood Federal Training Grant, is pleased to offer this one-day Trenching & Excavation Hazards in Construction safety training based on OSHA standards and best practices to answer the need for quality training within the industry. Classes will be delivered virtually via Zoom Meetings and attendees will have the opportunity to earn continuing education credits (0.8 IACET CEUs).

Courses are from November 10th through December 14th from 10M - 6PM ET.

Register Here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FCT7HPF>.

You will be emailed a Zoom Meeting link closer to the training date you select.

[Information, Dates & Registration](#)

West Texas AGC Staff Celebrates 5 year Anniversary



LaCricia Moore, celebrates her 5 year anniversary as the Plan Room Manager for the West Texas AGC office located in Midland, Texas. As our members have to work further away, her duties and territory of coverage for project procurement has expanded reaching beyond the Permian Basin to the New Mexico border, into eastern counties of New Mexico and to counties in the panhandle including Amarillo. If you have met LaCricia, you know she loves her job and works hard to get the information to our members so they can be successful!

Thank you LaCricia for all you do!

Passage Of Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill Will Provide A Needed Boost To Construction Industry While Making The Economy More Efficient

“The reason the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill passed in the House today is because a majority of Representatives understand that this measure will provide significant, tangible improvements to their lives of the constituents and the success of their local employers...

“Once the President signs this bill into law, our members are ready to begin the hard, but necessary, work of rebuilding the nation’s infrastructure. They will also begin the work of building rewarding careers for a generation of new construction professionals because of this measure. Ultimately, these new infrastructure investments will provide a needed boost for the construction industry while making our economy more efficient.”
from Steve Sandherr, AGC CEO



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CONTINUED INCREASES IN CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS PRICES STARTING TO DRIVE UP PRICE OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS, AS SUPPLY-CHAIN & LABOR WOES CONTINUE

AGC News Release - Rising construction materials prices appear to be starting to drive up the price of construction projects, according to an analysis by the Associated General Contractors of America of government data released today. Association officials noted that despite a big jump in what contractors charge for

projects, the rise in materials prices is still much higher.

AGC DataDigest

News Release

Construction's Career Crisis: Keeping Workers on Site and in the Industry



Climbing out of the labor shortage requires training new leadership, changing jobsite culture and investing in technology and safety, experts say.

"If you're going to start attracting people who've typically been underrepresented in the industry, it's time to drop the pinup calendar in the jobsite

trailer," said Turmail. "It's time to think twice before you make a joke."

To the superintendents or managers who may resist the cultural change, Turmail suggested it may be an easier decision for them when they must deliver a project on a tight schedule, and need all the help they can get to complete it.

Article from Construction Dive



The 2022 AGC Annual Convention is coming to TEXAS March 28th – 31st

The premier construction convention will be in our backyard. Catch up with your industry peers in Grapevine next March to stay up-to-date with cutting-edge construction trends. .

Find out more and Register at <https://convention.agc.org/>

The early bird registration deadline is November 30th



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