

# Preventing Struck-by Incidents: Tips and Strategies

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# 4<sup>th</sup> Annual National Stand-Down to Prevent Struck-by Incidents

## Stand-Down Webpage:

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- Toolbox Talks on work zone safety, dropped objects, crane and lift safety, heavy equipment, etc.
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- PPT slides
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**NATIONAL STAND-DOWN**  
TO PREVENT STRUCK-BY INCIDENTS

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# Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE) Safety-Tips and Strategies



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# Plan the Work...Work the Plan

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|--------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| • Develop a plan         | ➡ | • Work Control               |
| • Identify the hazards   | ➡ | • Job Hazard Analysis        |
| • Implement the controls | ➡ | • Hierarchy of Controls      |
| • Perform the work       | ➡ | • Follow the plan as written |
| • Monitor plan success   | ➡ | • STOP and reevaluate plan   |



# Provide a safe work area

- Establish work zones (e.g., swing radius, Line of fire, struck by)
- Erect barricades (prevents unauthorized personnel entry)
- Provide instructional and danger/warning signs (e.g., PPE, consequences)
- Traffic Control Plans (controls congestion, prevents struck by)



# Employee Engagement

- Encourage STOP / Pause work behavior
  - See something, Say Something, Do Something
- Utilize local safety improvement teams
  - Gives the worker a voice in safety
- Safety Observation Program
  - Creates peer checking and a looking out for your co-worker atmosphere



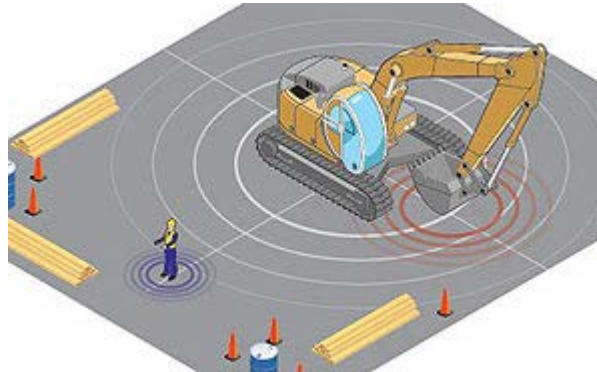
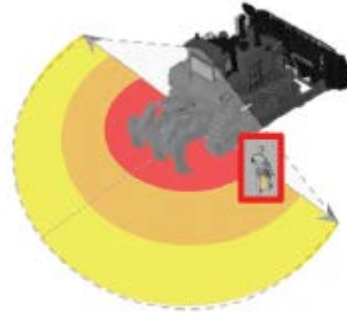
# Utilize Spotters

- Develop a program (program ownership)
- Provide training (classroom, exam, and hands on demonstration)
- Spotter safety checklist (safety conversation)
  - Work area hazards walk down
  - Hand signals verification
  - Training verification
  - Performed with the spotter and driver/operator



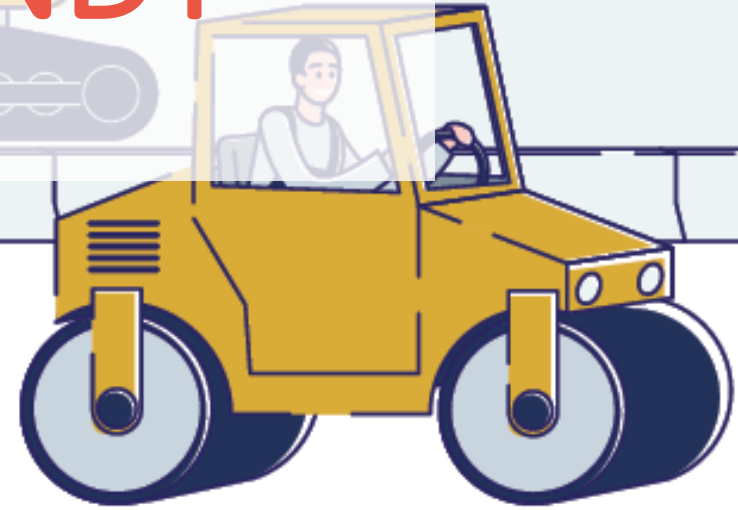
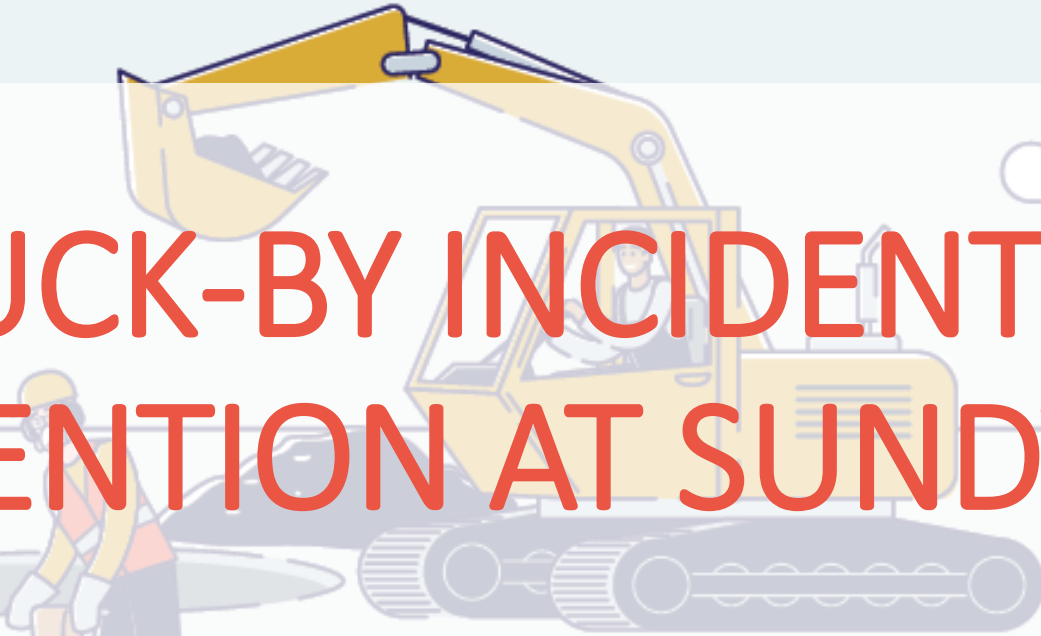
# Technology

- Back up Cameras
- Proximity Sensors
- Work Zone Sensors
- Telematics





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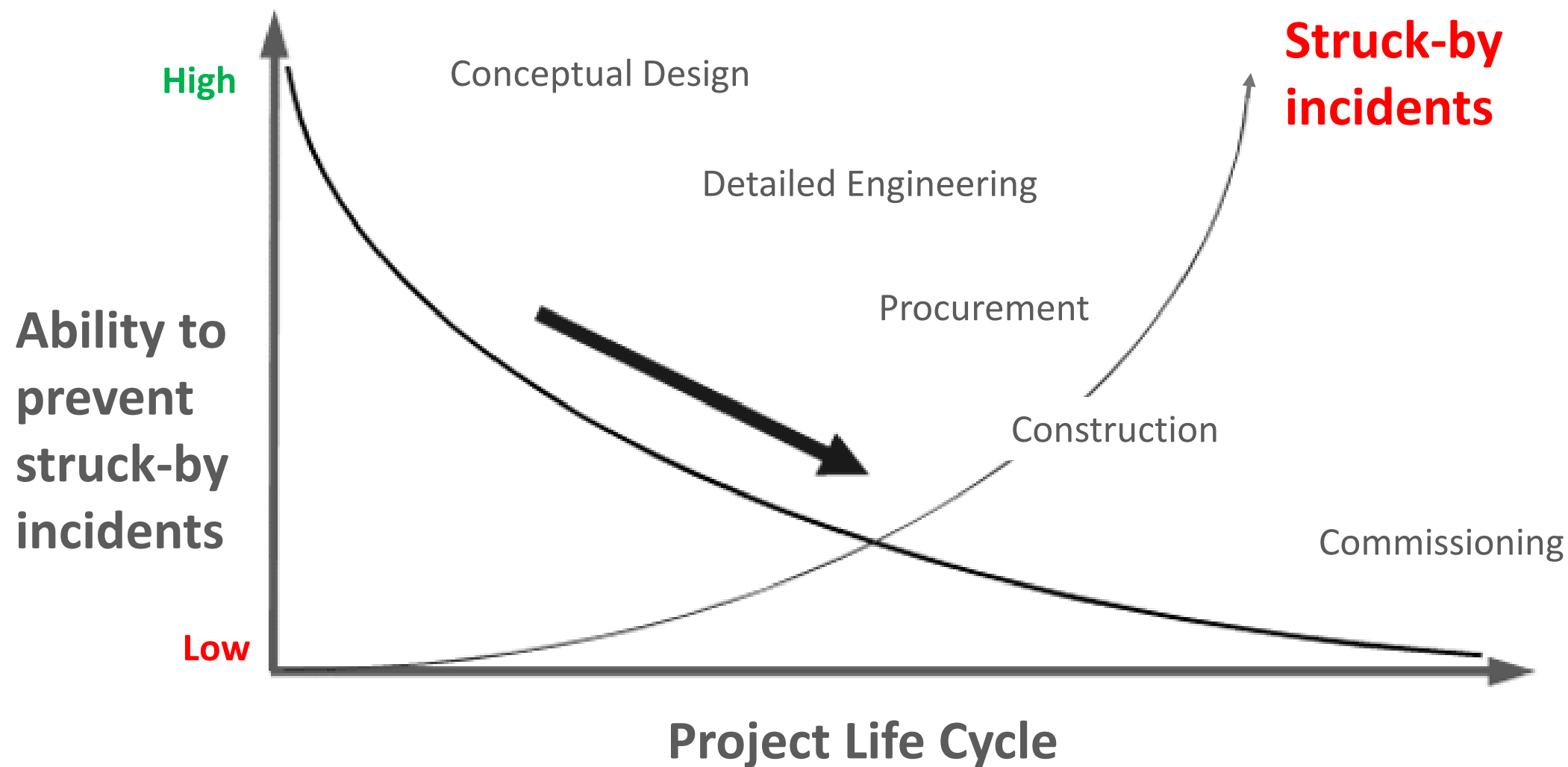


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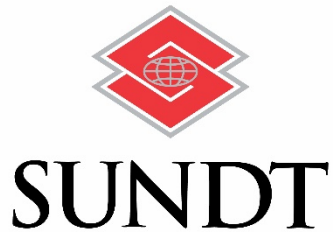
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# STARTED ASAP, MAINTAINED THRU COMPLETION

## Project HSE Plan

- Site Logistics Plan
- Barricade procedures
- Cell phone usage
- High-Vis Outerwear
- Cranes & Lifting
- Demolition
- Dropped/Falling Objects
- Hand & Power Tools
- Material Handling & Rigging
- Post-Tensioned Cables
- Traffic Control
- Ground Disturbance
- Vehicles & Equipment
- Design Assessment



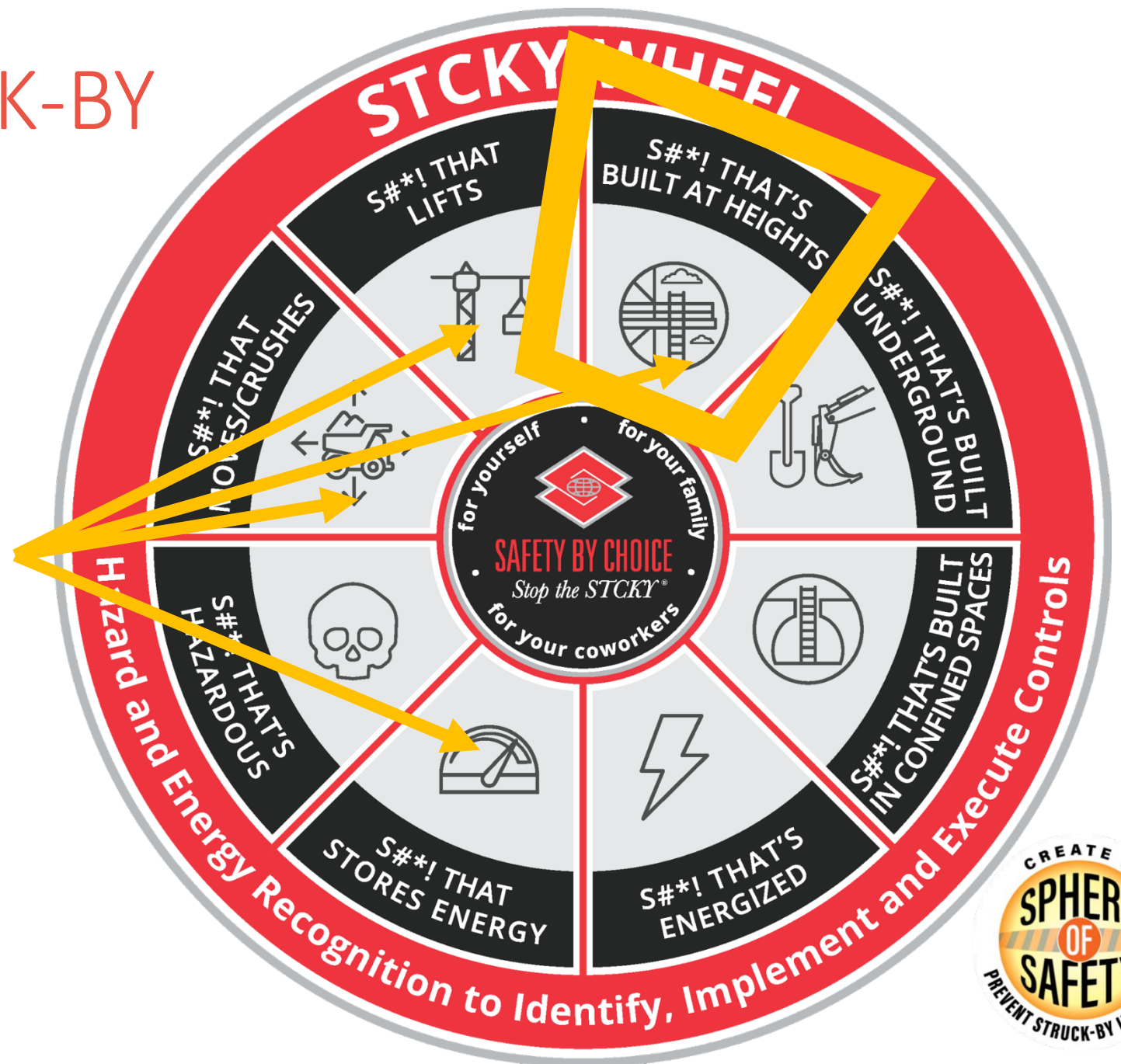
# DESIGN OUT THE RISK OF STRUCK-BY

- Ring road around structure/site
- Pre-installed embeds/sleeves
- Prefabrication



# EXECUTING STRUCK-BY CONTROLS

- THAs
- STCKY Walks
  - Over 4k assessments of struck-by controls so far this year



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# STCKY WALKS PREVENT STRUCK-BYS

Cancel S#!t That's Built at Heights Save

Sections	Questions	Answered	Exceptions	
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STCKY CONTROLS

\* Dropped object protection in place? ⓘ

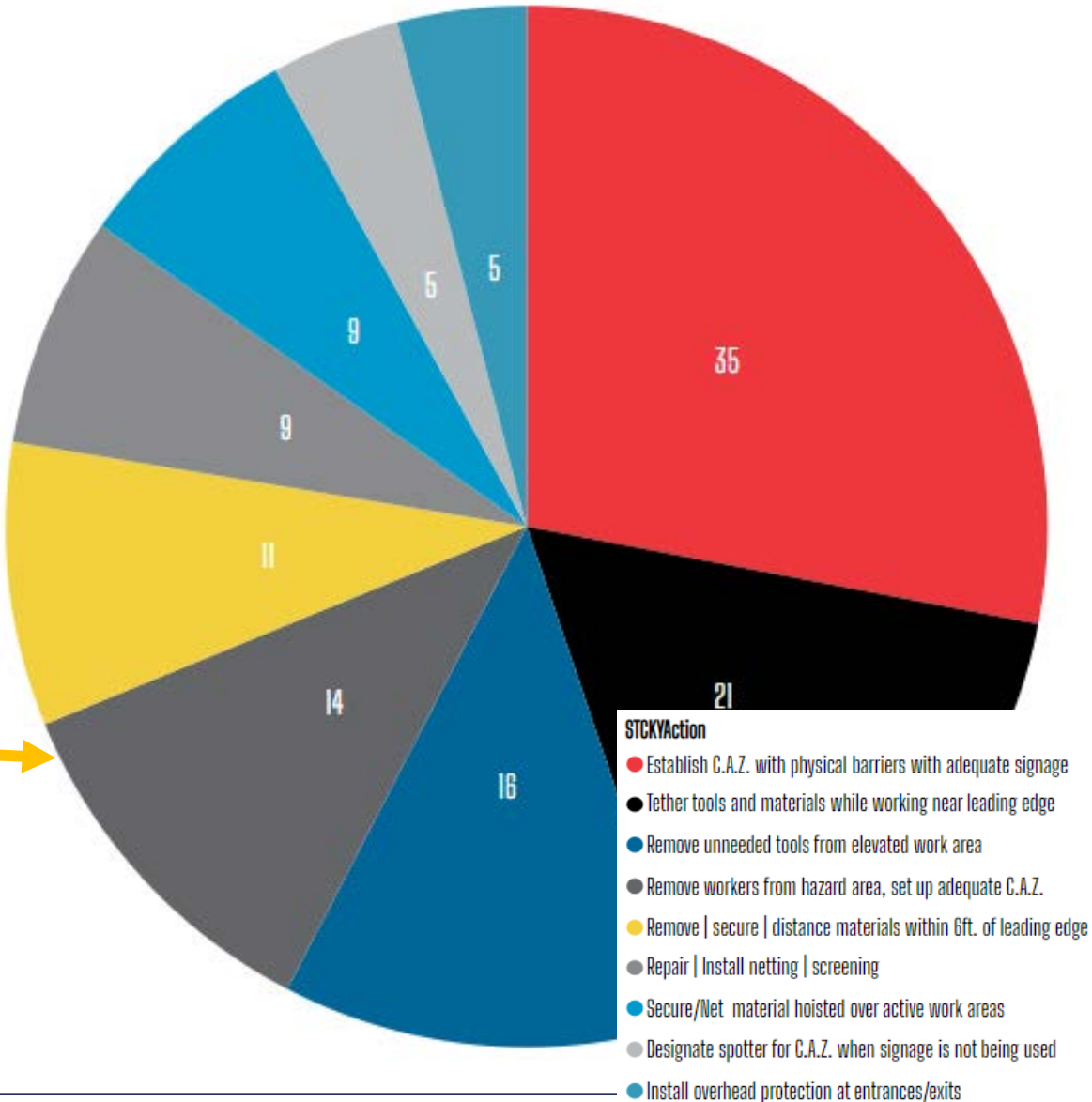
- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No
- ☐ Not Applicable

\* Dropped object protection - Corrective Actions

- ☒ Tether tools and materials while working near leading edge
- ☐ Remove unneeded tools from elevated work area
- ☐ Establish C.A.Z. with physical barriers with adequate signage
- ☐ Remove workers from hazard area, set up adequate C.A.Z.
- ☐ Designate spotter for C.A.Z. when signage is not being used
- ☐ Secure/Net material hoisted over active work areas
- ☒ Repair | Install netting | screening
- ☐ Install overhead protection at entrances/exits
- ☐ Remove | secure | distance materials within 6ft. of leading edge



125 corrective actions for dropped objects





# Preventing Struck-by Incidents

## Tips and Strategies

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Name of Tasks:
Top three hazards
1.
2.
3.
Controls for hazards
1.
2.
3.
Verify work is performed using or within controls
Name of person who did verification:
Date and time of verification:
Performance Evaluation (How did we do?)
Above average/Satisfactory/ Deficiency Found
Notes:



Jobsite Name and Number	
Superintendent/Foreman Name	
Date of Huddle	
Weather conditions	

# HUDDLES

## Safety Observation Checklist

Personal Factors	Safe	Unsafe	Work Area	Safe	Unsafe	PPE	Safe	Unsafe
Rushing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	House keeping	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hard Hat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Short Cuts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lighting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Safety Vest	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Frustration	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Traffic (vehicle/Equipment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Safety Glasses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fatigue	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Barrier/Channelizers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hearing Protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Knowledge of task	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Air quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Respiratory Protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Underground hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Shoes/Boots	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Overhead hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clothing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Physical/Mental State	Safe	Unsafe	Tools	Safe	Unsafe	Ergonomics	Safe	Unsafe
Hand Placement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lifting/Bend/Twist	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Body Position	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Suitable for task	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reach/Extend/Pull/Push	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Footing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Used within capacity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Repetitive motion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mind on Task	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				Needs assistance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Eyes on Task	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>						
<b>Description of Observations:</b>								
<b>Corrective Actions:</b>								
Observer Name:			Date:		Name of Jobsite:			
Employee's Job Title:			Positive Recognition* Yes/No		*Employee Name*			

- The name of the person being observed should not be included except for positive recognition.
- Upon completion of the observation, discuss any "at risk" behaviors and offer safer alternatives.
- In addition to looking for "at risk" behaviors, look for safe behaviors.
- Always end the critique with the person being observed with positive remarks for any safe practices or behaviors observed.

OBSERVATIONS

Bulletin Number	22-03	Date of Loss	2/17/2022	Project Type	Bridge
Line of Insurance	WC	Type of loss	Broken arm	JDE Area of Focus?	No
Preventability	Preventable	Medical Attention?	Yes	Lost Time?	Yes
Employee Tenure	11 yrs	Employee Craft	Carpenter	Severity	Severe
Productivity Loss?	Yes	OSHA Focus 4?	Yes - Struck by	Date of Bulletin	3/23/2022

**Event Description:**

Employee was loosening form panels from a lift in an elevated position and lowering them to the ground. Back of form had plywood that stuck to the poured concrete and form had to be pried off the structure. When the panel was pried it suddenly dropped, employee tried to catch the panel and his arm got pinched between the lift basket rail and the form breaking the bones in his lower arm. The panel also fell the entire 50-60' distance to the ground.

**Contributing Factors:**

- Elevated location
- Motion / movement of the lift
- Form panel did not have a safety tie off point.

**Recommendations:**

- Secure panel with a secondary safety tie point to lower panel to basket to eliminate the potential for the panel to slip and fall.
- Close off area below the lift to ensure there will not be any personnel below that can be struck by falling objects.



**Work Safe – You have a lot to live for!**

# Safety Bulletins

## Internal and External

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# Questions

