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Statement on Fern Hollow Bridge Collapse

On Friday, January 28, CAWP released a statement on the Fern Hollow Bridge collapse.

READ STATEMENT



OSHA Withdraws COVID-19 Vaccine or Test ETS

On January 25, the U.S. Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) <u>revoked</u> its COVID-19 vaccination-or-testing emergency temporary standard (ETS) applicable to private businesses with 100 or more employees in light of the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision. In addition, it is AGC's understanding that the agency will no longer pursue a permanent infectious disease standard broadly applicable to private businesses, ending the threat of such a mandate enduring forever. The agency will, however, pursue a more tailored permanent standard applicable to healthcare.

This is a clear and complete legal victory for AGC of America and its <u>Construction Advocacy Fund</u>financed lawsuit challenging the ETS. The U.S. Supreme Court agreed with AGC's argument, among others, that OSHA overreached and exceeded its authority under the law. The ETS represented a general public health measure—which Congress never authorized it to issue—instead of a narrower occupational safety or health standard based on risks limited to the workplace.

Although this lawsuit against OSHA is over, AGC of America continues to press forward in another <u>Construction Advocacy Fund</u>-financed lawsuit against the federal contractor vaccine mandate, currently under nationwide stay.

And the association's broader efforts to support the construction industry's voluntary encouragement for the use of COVID-19 vaccines remain. AGC of America has put forth a host of construction industry-specific resources on its COVID-19 Vaccine Toolkit webpage. The resources include a series of <u>Construction Advocacy Fund</u>-financed public service ads AGC of America created specifically targeting construction workers.

AGC members should continue to follow <u>OSHA's COVID-19 guidance</u>, as the agency plans general enforcement of COVID-19 protocols via the Occupational Safety and Health Act's General Duty Clause.



Celebrate the 2021 Construction Season in Style

The upcoming CAWP/H2AP Membership & Safety Celebration on March 25, 2022 at Heinz Field will combine two of the Association's biggest events. Join us to network with your industry colleagues and celebrate safety in the industry over the past construction season.



Upcoming Training Opportunities

CAWP Training season is in full swing. Take advantage of these upcoming training opportunities for your organization! Click on the links below for additional information and to register.

February 9, 2022 - First Aid/CPR/AED at the Western PA Laborers' Training Center - February 9

February 10, 2022 - First Aid/CPR/AED at the Western PA Laborers' Training Center - February 10

February 11, 2022 - First Aid/CPR/AED at the Western PA Laborers' Training Center - February 11

February 17 – 18, 2022 - OSHA 10-Hour Construction

- March 2, 2022 Confined Space Competent Person
- March 4, 2022 Silica Competent Person
- March 8, 2022 DOT Compliance Safety
- March 10, 2022 AGC Trenching & Excavation Hazards Training



CARPENTERS OFFER WELDING TEST FOR WV DOT PROJECTS

Carpenters to Offer Welding Test to WV DOT Projects

The Carpenters are conducting a welding practice session on February 26, 2022 and a test on March 3, 2022. All tests are vertical as required by the WV DOT. Participants are required to attend the practice day and to provide a \$100 deposit check. Testing is limited to minimum of 8 participants and maximum of 12.

To register: contact Jessica Brown at 412-262-1830 ext 2. Registration closes February 24, 2022.

6TH ANNUAL CAWP STUDENT ESTIMATING COMPETITION



CAREER FAIR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12 FROM NOON – 3:00 P.M.

Boost Your Company's Competitive Edge at the CAWP Student Estimating Competition

The 6th Annual CAWP Student Estimating Competition will be held February 11 & 12, 2022 at the Regional Learning Alliance in Cranberry Township, PA. In conjunction with the competition, a career fair will be held on Saturday, February 12 from noon – 3:00 p.m. Several Estimating Competition student participant alumni have been hired by CAWP contractors since the event's inception. This year's program again promises to bring together a group of 45 to 60 motivated students from the following schools:

Carnegie Mellon University Penn State University Penn State University – Harrisburg The University of Pittsburgh The University of Pittsburgh – Johnstown West Virginia University

If your company is interested in participating in this career fair, please contact Erin at ering@cawp.org, Jason at jasonk@cawp.org or call the Association at 412-343-8000.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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