DREDGING SAFETY BRIEF

Galveston District Annual Dredging Meeting Vernon W. Griffin Safety and Occupational Health Specialist

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SWG ACCIDENT EXPOSURE ANALYSIS





- Total dredging exposure hours for FY24: 1,053,138
- Total dredging recordable injury mishaps for FY24: 7
 - 10 recordable property damage mishaps.

Incident Categories

- Struck by: 2 incidents
- Slips, Trips and Falls: 3 incidents
- Caught Between: 1 incident
- Strain from Lifting: 1 incident

SWG ACCIDENT EXPOSURE ANALYSIS



- Struck by incidents:
 - Employee struck by spreader bar due to rigging failure.
 - Falling debris from cutterhead landed on employee's hand.
- Three slip, trips and falls.
 - Two employees fell to a different level.
 - One employee fell on same level.
- Property Damage incidents:
 - Five accidents involving striking Day Markers.





COMMON ISSUES WITH ACCIDENT PREVENTION PLANS





- Failure to provide adequate SSHO credentials.
 - Signed OSHA Cards (>90 days)
 - Continuing Education (24 hrs/3 years)
 - ENG Form 6282 (Designation Letter)
- Requirement to have Sub-Contractor's follow and adhere to Prime Contractor's APP.
- Failure to update APP with personnel changes.
- Failure to perform adequate hazard assessment (Generalized AHAs).



SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS



- O Vast improvement in:
- Deficiency tracking logs.
- Performing/documenting safety drills.
- Mishap Reporting.
- APP access readily available to employees.
- Providing competent person (CP) qualifications/training.





ENGINEER MANUAL

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- o Format changed.
- Mandatory ENG Form 6293 (Accident Prevention Plan (APP) Worksheet)
 - Review and Approved by Corporate Safety Official.
 - Designate all Contractor SSHOs (6282).
- SSHO experience requirement.
 - 5 yrs/last 10 years (Similar type, size, complexity).
- Residual risk acceptance table.
 - Individual must sign AHAs.



QUESTIONS



