



- Improper use of a step ladder.
- No eye protection.



- Need a taller ladder.
- Back support and 2nd from top step should not be used.



- Make sure ladder or work platform is high enough to reach the work safely.
- Never stand on the top of a ladder.



Ladder is not on a stable level surface.
Ladder is not angled properly.



Job-Made Ladders

- Maximum Length
24'
- Ladders that extend to landing must have walk-through top section.
- Must have parallel, level, uniformly spaced rungs.

SUMMARY

- Place ladder on stable surface
- Ladder & you should face your work
- Should not climb ladder while carrying supplies; 3 point contact
- Ladder should extend 3 ft (36 inches) above work surface
- Use the correct ladder for the job
- Use 4:1 ratio - Every 4ft up angle ladder 1ft out
- Secure ladder in place

TRAINING

- The employer shall provide training, and retaining as necessary, by a competent person to each worker using ladders and stairways on the following topics:
 - Nature of fall hazards and how to recognize hazards;
 - Correct procedures for erecting, maintaining and disassembling the fall protection systems;
 - Proper construction, use, placement and care in handling ladders and stairways;
 - Maximum intended load-carrying capacities of ladders.
 - In the standards of Subpart X

Training Requirements Standard 1926.1060

Working Safely



- Ladder being used to access the pumpjack scaffold is arranged so that the worker can step onto the scaffold directly from the ladder.





Working Safely

Ladder properly secured.

Working Safely



Ladder properly secured.



Working Safely

Working Safely

Stairway Protection

- **Stairs must have railings:**
 - With 4 or more treads.
 - More than 30 inches high



SECTION VII

EMPLOYER'S AND EMPLOYEE'S RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER OSHA

What does OSHA Require?

- Determine which standards apply to your workplace
- Follow the OSHA standards and requirements

Recordkeeping and Reporting

- Employers of 11 or more employees must maintain records of occupational injuries and illnesses
- All employers must display the OSHA poster, and report to OSHA within 8 hours any accident that results in a fatality or in-patient hospitalization of 3 or more employees



Recordkeeping Forms

- Maintained on a calendar year basis
 - Summary of records for the previous year must be posted from February through April

What are workers' responsibilities?

- Read the OSHA poster
- Follow the employer's safety and health rules and wear or use all required gear and equipment
- Follow safe work practices for your job, as directed by your employer
- Report hazardous conditions to a supervisor or safety committee
- Report hazardous conditions to OSHA, if employers do not fix them
- Cooperate with OSHA inspectors

(see OSHA Workers' web page for more information)

What are workers' rights?

- Identify and correct problems in their workplaces, working with their employers whenever possible
- Complain to OSHA about workplace conditions threatening their health or safety in person, by telephone, by fax, by mail or electronically through OSHA's web site
- Section 11(c) of the OSH Act gives workers the right to seek safe and healthful conditions on the job without being disciplined or fired

(see OSHA Workers' web page for more information)

OSHA Workers' Page

 **OSHA** Occupational Safety & Health Administration U.S. Department of Labor

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Resources

The **Workers'** Page

You have a right to a safe and healthful workplace. That's why Congress passed the [Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970](#), requiring employers to provide workplaces free from recognized hazards. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) wants every worker to go home whole and healthy every day. The agency was created by Congress to help protect workers by setting and enforcing workplace safety and health standards and by providing safety and health information, training and assistance to

How To File a Complaint with OSHA



www.osha.gov/as/opa/worker/index.html

What are employers' rights & responsibilities?

- Employers must provide a safe and healthful workplace free of recognized hazards and follow the OSHA standards
- The OSH Act grants employers important rights, particularly during and after an OSHA inspection
- Employers must provide training, medical examinations and recordkeeping

Competent Person in Construction

A person who;

- Knows the right standard,
- Can identify hazards in the operation, and
- Is designated by the employer, and has the authority to take appropriate actions.
- "Competent Person" is found in many standards.
- Some standards set specific requirements for the "competent person."

Workplace Inspections

- Establishments covered by the OSH Act are subject to inspection by OSHA compliance safety and health officers (CSHO's)
- Most inspections are conducted without advance notice

What Types of Hazards are Addressed in Standards?

- Electrical
- Cranes
- Falls
- Excavation
- Scaffolding
- Machines
- Stairways & Ladders
- Chemical

Employer may Qualify for "Focused Inspection"

- Has to meet certain conditions
- Inspector will "focus" on these four hazard areas:
 - Falls
 - Struck by
 - Caught in/between
 - Electrical

OSHA Emergency Hot-Line

1-800-321-OSHA

- Report workplace safety or health fatalities or the hospitalization of 3 or more employees
- Report a workplace hazard
- File a complaint about a workplace hazard
- Request information on OSHA
- Request an OSHA publication

Summary

- OSHA helps save lives and prevent injuries
- OSHA balances a cooperative approach with traditional enforcement
- OSHA standards are the enforceable requirements for worker safety and health
- Inspections are OSHA's way to ensure compliance
- OSHA offers various means of assistance

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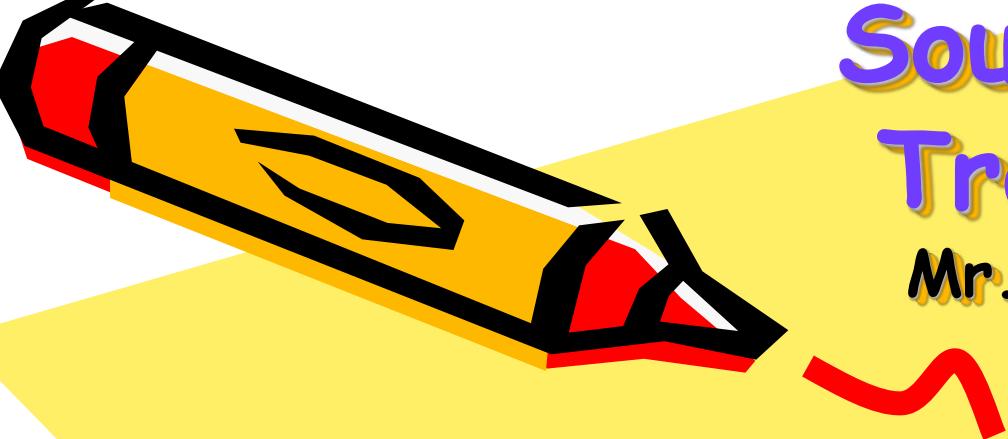
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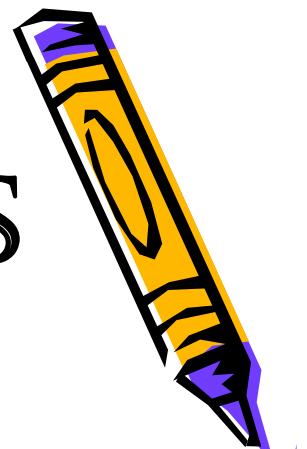
OSHA Focus Four

Train the Trainer

2006 - 2007



TRAINING TECHNIQUES

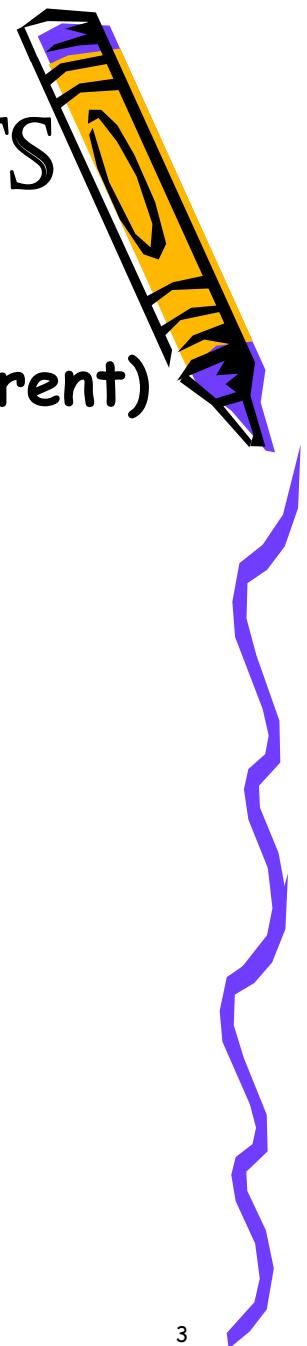


- **Introductions are important**
- Introduce
 - Yourself
 - Next Speaker
 - Awards
 - Credentials
 - Films & videos



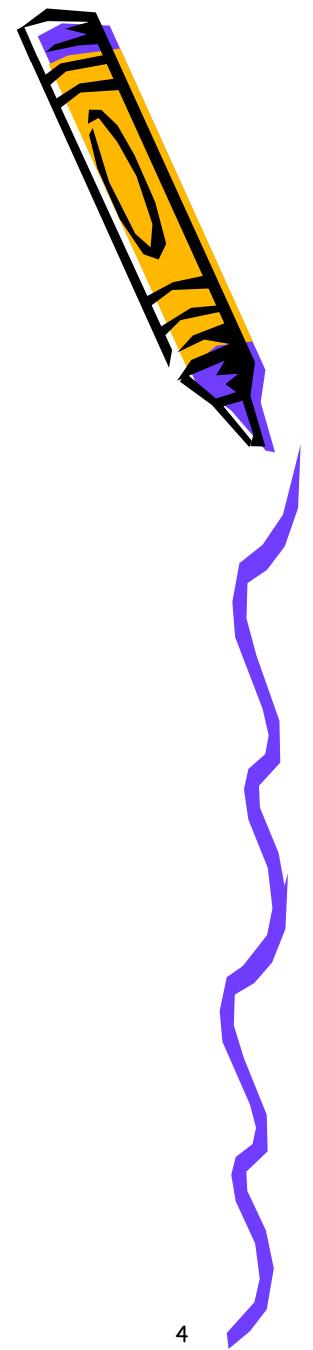
INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

- OSHA Outreach 500 (must be current)
- Previous Experience (related trade/training)
- SSTA/Focus Four Instructor Orientation
- Agreement to send records to SSTA (new one signed)



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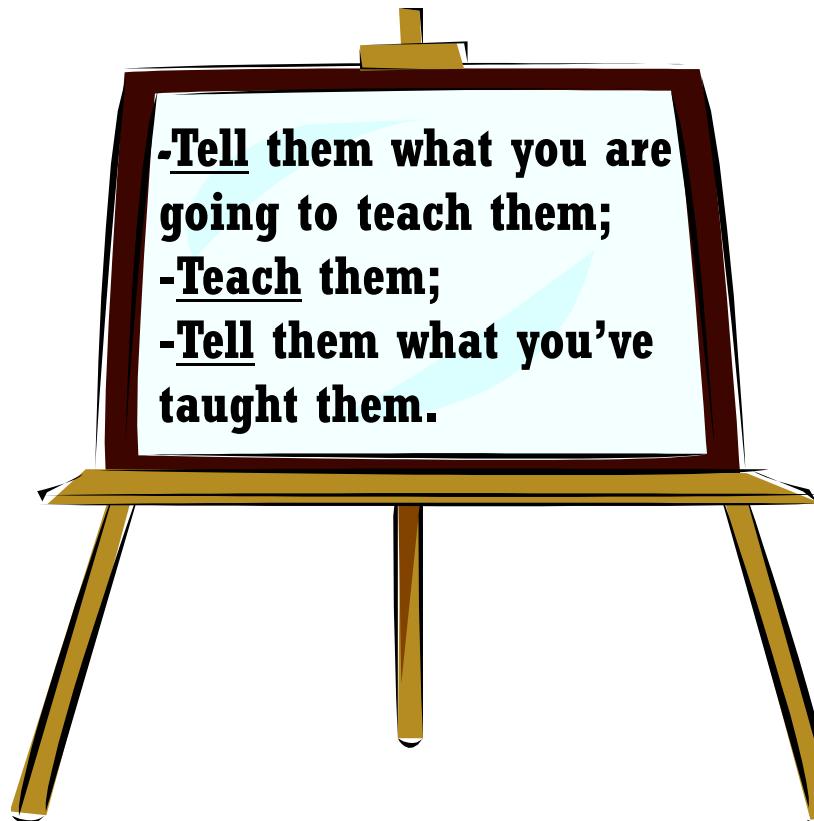
- To develop training identifying
'Focus Four
and other **Construction Hazards'**
- Have material approved by OSHA
- Translate to Spanish
- Train-the-trainer (mandatory; all instructors)
- Train workers
- Keep records of all training
- Send reports to OSHA



TRAINING TECHNIQUES

- **5 Step Training Plan**

- Review
- Overview
- Presentation
- Exercise
- Summary



TRAINING TECHNIQUES

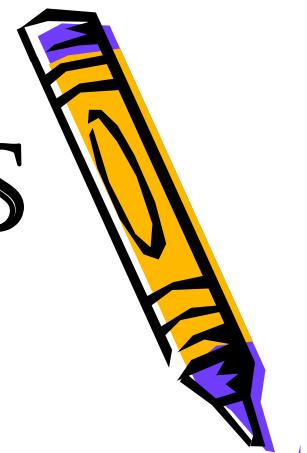


- **Overview**

- Discuss the learning objectives
 - What will be covered in this training
- Establish why this material is important
 - 90% of fatalities are from Focus Four Hazards
- Explain the most frequently cited violations
 - Most citations and fines are from these hazards



TRAINING TECHNIQUES



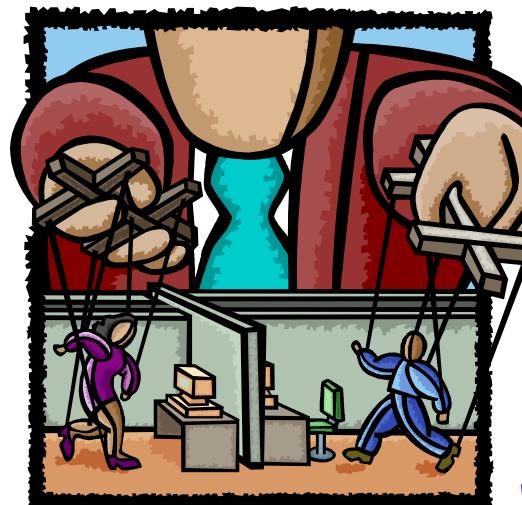
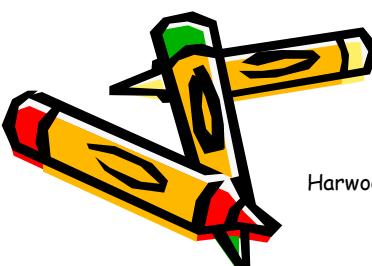
- **Lighten up your training**
- **Use**
 - Stories
 - Quotations
 - Court Decisions
 - Statistics
 - Life Experiences



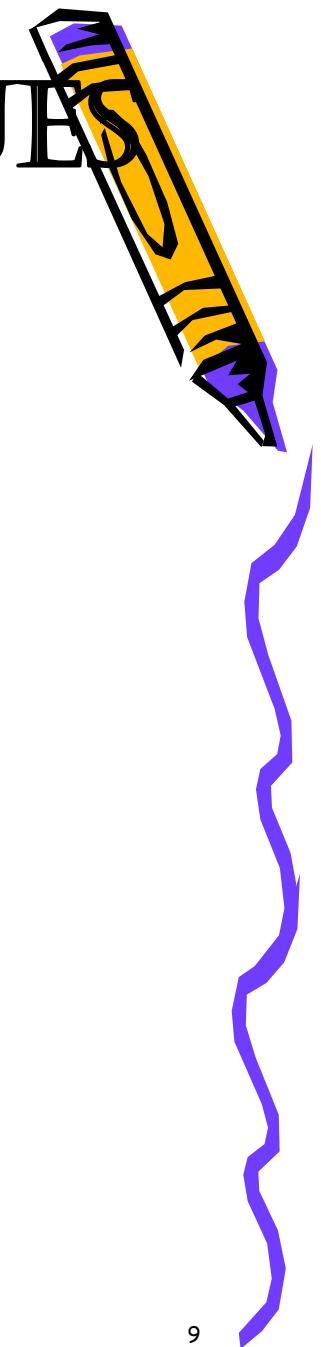
TRAINING TECHNIQUES

- **Tips for a successful presentation**

- Be prepared- rehearse your “show”
- Be positive and show enthusiasm
- Speak loud enough to be heard
- Be flexible and accessible
- Make eye contact
- Smile



TRAINING TECHNIQUES



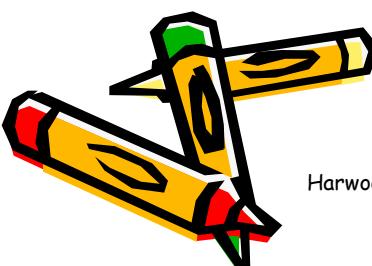
- **The Training Room**

- Arrive early to check it out
- Table and chair arrangement
- Electrical outlets (you may need an extension cord, power strip)
- Light and heating controls
- Restrooms and telephones
- Refreshment/lunch area
- Who to contact for emergencies



TRAINING TECHNIQUES

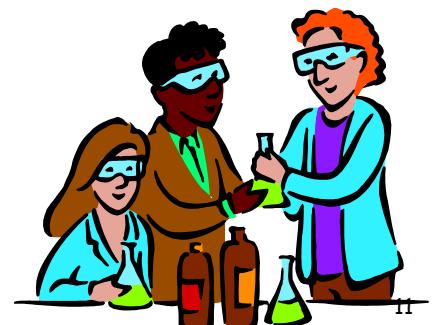
- Expect to be nervous
- Have a positive attitude
- Be yourself, be flexible, be accessible
- Be prepared
- Dress appropriately
- Show enthusiasm
- Speak up



TRAINING TECHNIQUES



- Treat students as adults
- Identify the training goals
- Emphasize how the training can be applied
- Relate the material to their experiences
- Listen and respect their opinions
- Encourage discussion -
 - What's really happening on the job?



TRAINING TECHNIQUES

- Lead in from the overview
- Tell the students what they need to know
- Provide examples of real incidents
 - Stories or quotes
 - Newspaper clippings
 - Fatal Facts from OSHA
 - Letters of Interpretation
 - Statistics or court decisions



TRAINING TECHNIQUES



- **Training Preparation**

- Commit yourself to the class
- Analyze the audience
- Think “Sight and Sound”
- Practice- Time yourself
- Deliver the class!

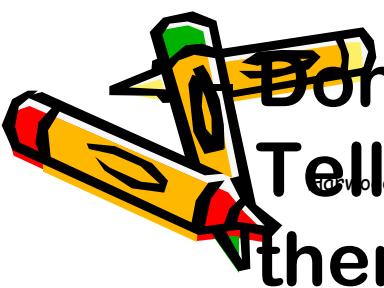


TRAINING TECHNIQUES

- **Training distractors (things to avoid)**
 - Don't try to “wing it”
 - Be prepared
 - Check your equipment before class starts
 - Don't try to be someone you aren't
 - Don't lose control
 - Never embarrass students



• Don't be afraid to say that you don't know - Tell the student you'll get the answer to them!

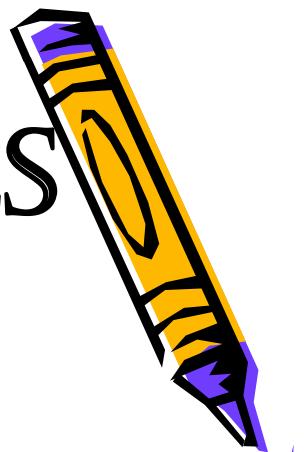


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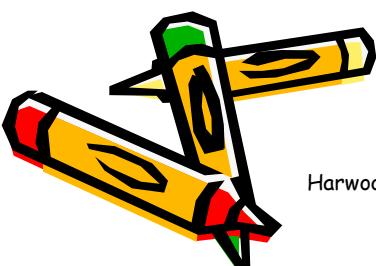
- **Personality Clash**
- Why
 - Two or more personalities/experiences
 - Can divide group into factions
- What to do
 - Emphasize points of agreement
 - Minimize disagreements
 - Keep focused on objectives
 - Be frank, ask that personalities be left out



TRAINING TECHNIQUES

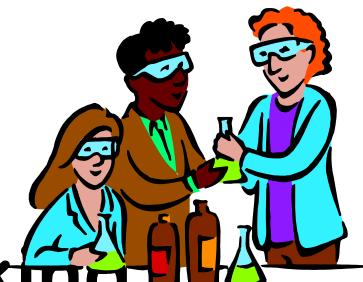


- **Obstinate**
- Won't budge, prejudiced, can't see your point
- What to do
 - Use the group to straighten out the student
 - Ask the student to keep an open mind and see this point for the time being



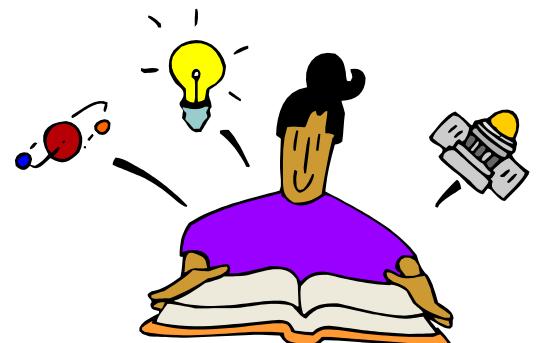
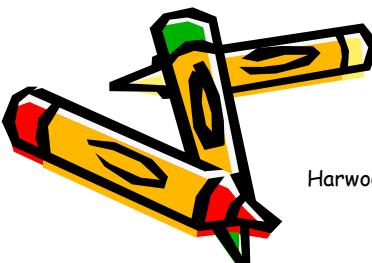
TRAINING TECHNIQUES

- **Won't talk**
- Bored, indifferent, timid, insecure or feels superior
- What to do
 - Find the motivation for non speaking
 - Arouse interest by asking direct questions
 - Draw out the person next to him, then ask the shy person to comment on the response



TRAINING TECHNIQUES

- **Inarticulate**
- Can't put thoughts into words
 - Get the idea, can't convey it
- What to do
 - Say “Let me repeat that for the class” and restate it more clearly

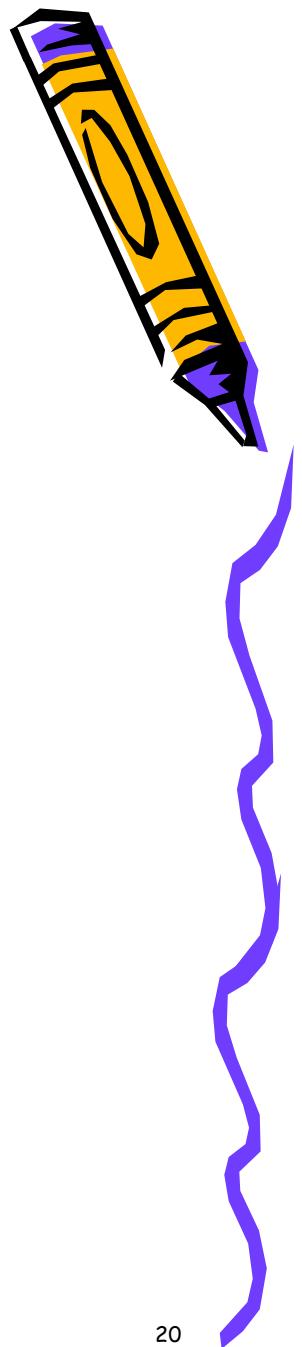


Keep records of all training

- When training is complete the following records MUST be delivered to the SSTA office before cards will be issued.
 - Sign-in Sheet/s (for each training session)
 - Student Registration Form
 - Course Evaluations (summary)



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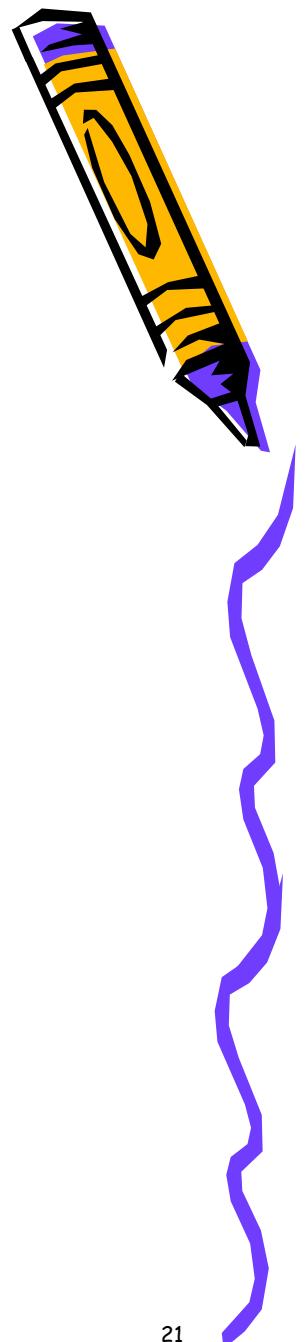


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MARKETING

- We have a successful program and should be proud to spread the word
- Lets work together to increase membership and make the Construction job site a safer place to work



EXCAVATION & TRENCHING AWARENESS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY



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Maryland Fire & Rescue Institute

- Compliance training over 35 years
- Consulting Services
- Six (6) MFRI sites throughout Maryland
- Training at Clients Sites
- Hands - on instruction



Pre - Test

- Cave – ins can happen without warning
 - True or False
- A hazardous atmosphere can be found in a trench
 - True or False



Pre - Test

- A protective system is a method of protecting employees from cave-ins
 - True or False
- A ladder shall be used for access and egress in trenches ____ ft or greater in depth
 - 10, 25, 4, 16



Pre - Test

- A competent person must be aware of:
 - Access and egress
 - Water accumulating
 - Hazardous atmosphere
 - All the above



Pre - Test

- Soil classifications are;
 - A, B, C, Stable rock
 - 1, 2, 3, 4
 - Rocky or Smooth
 - Hard or Soft



Pre - Test

- The testing of soil consists of a ___ and a ___ test.
 - Day, Night
 - Summer, winter
 - Visual, manual
 - Hot, cold



Pre - Test

- If water is added to soil it brings;
 - Lunch
 - Additional weight
 - Strength



Pre - Test

- What effects on the body can a cave-in cause;
 - Respiratory distress
 - Crush syndrome
 - Total body impact
 - All the above



Pre - Test

- Soil can weigh about ____ lbs a cubic foot;
 - 125
 - 400
 - 600
 - 50



Pre - Test

- Factors that influence cave-ins are;
 - Intersecting trenches
 - Previously disturbed soil
 - Vibration
 - All the above



Pre - Test

- The excavation standard also applies to trenches
- True or False
- Benching is a method of protecting employees from cave-ins;
 - True or False



Pre - Test

- A trench box should be used to protect employees;
 - True or False
- No employee shall be permitted underneath loads handled by lifting or digging equipment
 - True or False



Enabling Objectives

- Identify the laws, regulations, and standards as they apply to excavations
- Describe soil classification and the testing used to determine type
- Describe protective systems used in excavations
- Discuss the hazards found in trenches
- Describe the role of the competent person



Overview / Main Points

- Excavation laws, regulations, standards
- Soil classification
- Soil testing
- Competent person responsibilities
- Hazards associated with trenches
- Protective systems







Staten Island Worker Decapitated In 'Rescue'

JAMIE SCHRAM and LORENA MONGELLI

Courtesy of The New York Post

A construction worker was decapitated and another hurt yesterday in a freak accident on Staten Island.

Two employees of Formica Construction were digging a ditch in the street to install a sewer for 1 townhouses being built at Taylor Street and Degroot Place in Port Richmond, officials said. Suddenly, dirt and cement collapsed, burying the men under the debris.

One man was buried up to his waist. The other, a 39-year-old man, whose name was withheld, was completely buried

He was decapitated when the workers tried to rescue him with a tractor.

"No doubt the fellow using it had good intentions, but there were extremely tragic results," said fire battalion Chief Daniel O'Gara.

Stefan Konowalskyj, 40, who lives nearby, was returning home from some errands when the workers realized what had happened.

"I saw these guys running around frantically screaming, 'The other guy is dead! The other guy is dead! His head is off,'" Konowalskyj said.

"There was a lot of commotion. There was also one guy down there trying to pull the other guy out. There were about a half a dozen workers standing around, not knowing what to do."

Rescuers arrived and pulled out the injured worker, 66, who was in stable condition at St. Vincent's Hospital.

The Department of Transportation issued two citations for inadequate protection procedures because the crew had not put up a retaining wall in the trench, a department spokesman said.

Parkland, Florida Firefighters Perform a Trench Rescue

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THOMAS O'CONNELL

Firefighters from five departments worked feverishly for over three hours to rescue a construction supervisor who had become buried in mud and water up to his neck during a trench collapse.

The incident occurred shortly after 3 p.m. on Friday January 30, 2004 at a remote construction site in Parkland, Florida.

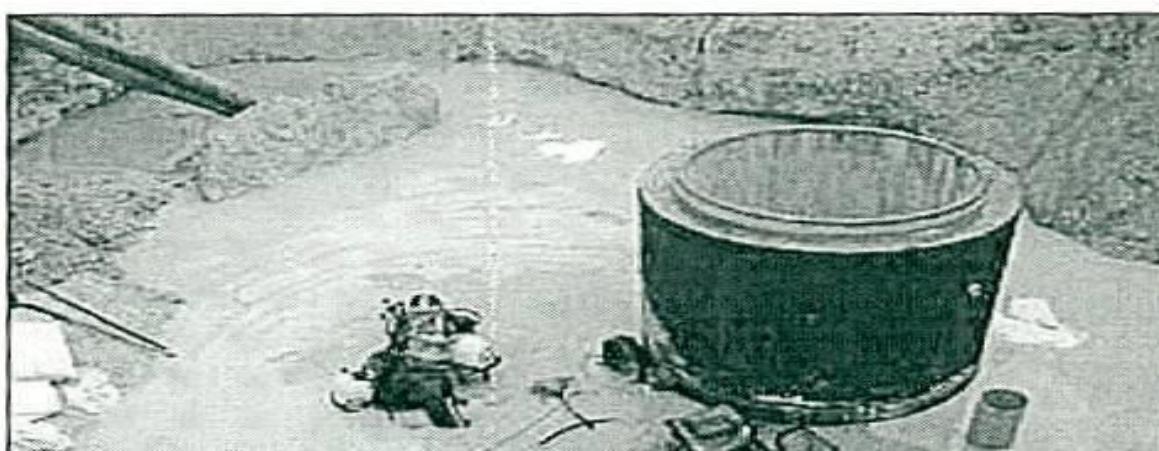
Deep sewer lines were being installed.

Parkland firefighters were first to arrive on scene and quickly summoned help from several neighboring agencies. Divers from Coral Springs, Sunrise and Margate Fire Departments worked with Technical Rescue Personnel from Sunrise Fire Rescue and the Broward Sheriff's Office.

Large quantities of spilled hydraulic fluid, rising water, and the inability to see the victim's trapped leg complicated the rescue. Divers and Technical Rescue Team personnel had to work blindly using pneumatic hoses and vacuum trucks to dislodge rocks and mud around the victim's



Lt. Mark Watters



Tragic Facts

- Excavating is recognized as one of the most hazardous construction operations
 - 541 Workers were killed on Excavation/Trenching jobs from 1992-2001
 - 411 (76%) were killed by cave-ins
 - 257 (47%) worked for companies employing less than 10 people



Tragic Facts

- 60% are would be rescuers
 - Civilians
 - Fire dept personnel
 - Co-workers
- Cave-ins can happen without warning
- All of the fatalities and injuries could have been prevented

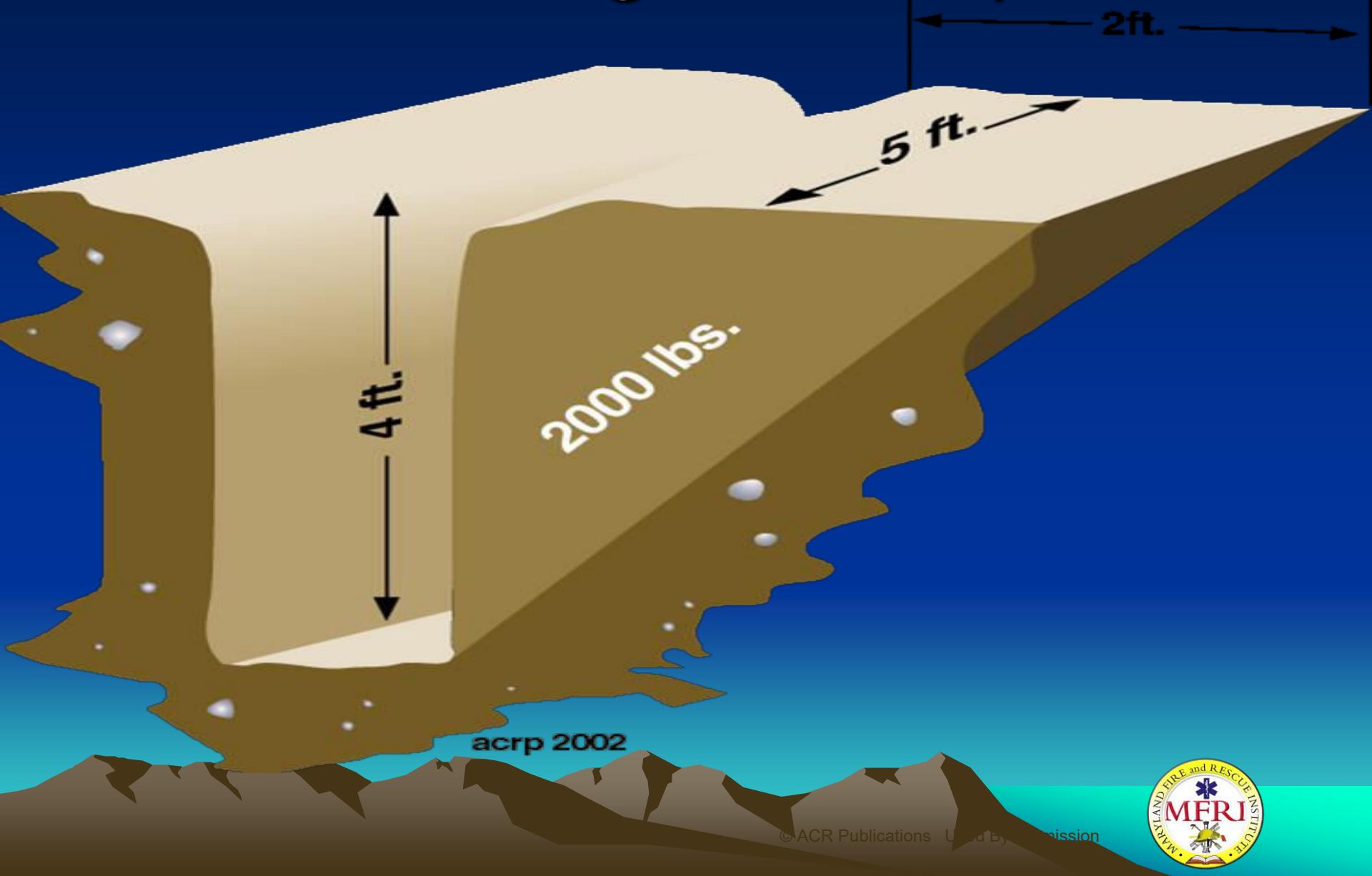


Collapse Forces

- 24 inches of soil on a person's chest weighs
- 750-1000 lb.
- 18 inches of soil covering a body weighs
- 1800-3000 lb.



Soil Weight Example



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Collapse Forces

- Shear wall collapse speed
- 45 mph
- 1 cubic foot of soil can weigh from
- 100 to 125 lb.



Speed of Collapsing Dirt

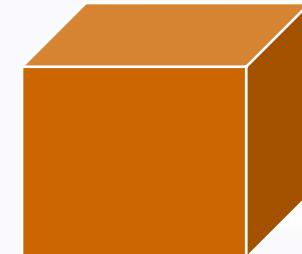
- Imagine this coming down on top of you....

Weight of a Volkswagen



2,785 Pounds

Weight of one cubic yard of soil



2,700 Pounds

Effects On The Body

- Respiratory distress
- Crush syndrome
- Total body impact





The Top Five Trenching Hazards

1. Cave – ins
2. Overhead Electric Line Contact
3. Falls into Excavations
4. Equipment Falling into Excavations
5. Explosion / Fire / Electrocution

UNSAFE ATTITUDES

- “I Know what I’m doing.”
- “It can’t happen to me.”
- “I’ve been doing it that way for years.”
- “I’d sleep in that hole!”
- “Don’t worry, we’ll watch the walls and tell you if you need to get out.”



Most Common Causes of Cave-ins:

- Poor Planning
- Misjudgment of soil type.
- Inadequate, or incorrect installation of protective devices.
- Defective protective devices.
- Failure to adjust for changing conditions



Legal Aspects

- OSHA [29 CFR 1926.650 - 652]
 - Excavation standard applies to all open excavations made in the earth's surfaces including trenches, all surface encumbrances that would create a hazard, and protective systems



What's In the Standard?

- scope, application and definitions
- Job Site Hazard Listing
- Requirements for Protective Systems
- Appendixes that detail:
 - Soil Classification
 - Sloping and Benching
 - Timber and Aluminum Hydraulic Shoring
 - Protective System Selection Decision Tree



Definitions

1926.650

- Accepted engineering practices
- Aluminum hydraulic shoring
- Bell-bottom pier hole
- Benching
- Cave-in
- Cross braces
- Excavation
- Faces or Sides
- Failure
- Hazardous Atmosphere
- Kickout
- Protective system
- Ramp
- Registered Professional Engineer
- Sheeting
- Shield



Definitions

- Shoring
- Sloping
- Stable rock
- Structural ramp
- Support systems
- Tabulated data
- Trench
- Uprights
- Wales



General Requirements

- 1926.651
- (a) Surface encumbrances
- (b) Underground installations
- (c) Access & egress
- (d) Exposure to vehicle traffic
- (e) Exposure to falling loads
- (f) Warning systems for mobile equipment



General Requirements

- 1926.651
- (g) Hazardous atmospheres
- (h) Protection from hazards associated with water accumulation
- (i) Stability of adjacent structures
- (j) Protection from loose rock or soil
- (k) Inspections
- (l) Fall protection



Surface Encumbrances

- All surfaces encumbrances that are located so as to create a hazard to employees shall be removed or supported as necessary to safeguard employees



Underground Installations

- Utility companies shall be contacted within established local response times
 - Advised of proposed work
 - Asked to establish location of utility
 - When request cannot be met, employer may proceed with caution with detection equipment of an acceptable means to locate utility



Underground Installations

- While the excavation is open, underground installations shall be protected, supported or removed as necessary to safeguard employees



Access & Egress

- Structural ramps
 - Used by employees shall be designed by a competent person
 - When used for equipment shall be designed by a competent person qualified in structural design
 - Stairway, ladder, ramp or other safe means of egress require no more than 25 ft of lateral travel for employees in excavations that are 4 feet or more in depth
 - Ladders must be secured and extend a minimum of 36 inches above the landing



Exposure to vehicle traffic

- Employees exposed to public vehicle traffic shall be provided with and wear warning vests or other suitable garments
 - Marked or made with reflectorized or highly visible material
 - Requiring a designated, trained flag person along with signs, signals, and barricades when necessary



Exposure to falling loads

No employee shall be permitted underneath loads handled by digging or lifting equipment

Stand away from vehicle being loaded or unloaded to avoid being struck

Operators may remain in cabs when vehicles are equipped in accordance with 1926.601





Warning systems for mobile equipment

- When operator does not have clear view of edge of excavation
- Warning system shall be utilized
 - Barricades
 - Hand or mechanical signals
 - Stop logs





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Hazardous Atmospheres

- Testing and controls
 - To prevent harmful levels of atmospheric contaminants
 - Less than 19.5% or more than 23.5% oxygen
 - Atmosphere tested before entry
 - Adequate precautions shall be taken
 - Ventilation
 - Proper respiratory protection
 - Testing done often as necessary







Monitoring



Ventilation Blowers



Emergency Rescue Equipment

- Rescue equipment
 - Breathing equipment
 - Safety harness and line or basket stretcher
 - Must be readily available
 - Must be attended
 - Bell-bottom pier holes, deep and confined footing excavation shall wear a harness with a lifeline securely attached to it



Water Accumulation



Water Accumulation

- Employees shall not work in excavations where there is accumulated water, or where water is accumulating, unless adequate precautions have been taken, to protect employees.



Water Accumulation

- Must take adequate precautions to protect employees
 - Accumulating water
 - Varies with each situation
 - Removal monitored by competent person
 - Run off from heavy rains requires inspection by competent person







Stability of adjacent structures

- Where stability is endangered by excavation operations
- Support systems such as shoring, bracing or underpinning shall be provided
- Sidewalks, pavement and appurtenant structures shall not be undermined unless support systems are used to protect employees







Protection from loose rock and soil

- Hazard from falling or rolling from excavation face
 - Scaling to remove loose materials
 - Installation of protective barricades
 - Other means (retaining devices)
 - 2 feet from edge of excavation





What's good?



What's not so good?

Competent Person

- One who is capable of identifying existing or predictable hazards in the surroundings which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous to employees & who has authorization to take prompt corrective measures



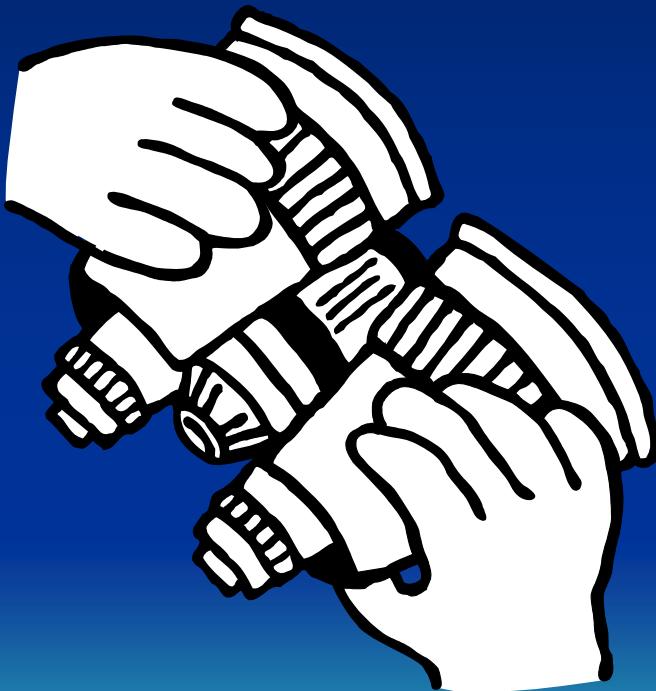
Competent Person

- Has specific training in and be knowledgeable about soil analysis, use of protective systems and the requirements of the standard



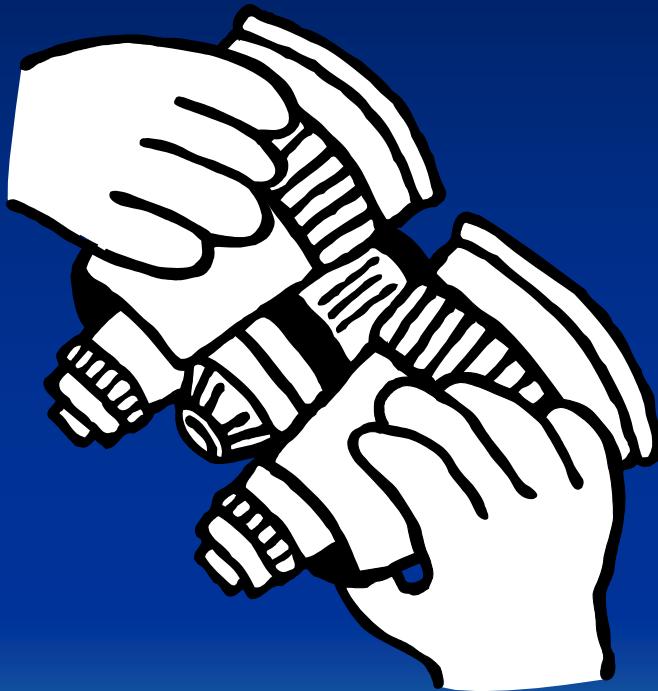
COMPETENT PERSON MUST BE AWARE OF:

- Falling loads or equipment
- Hazardous atmospheres
- Weather conditions and forecast
- Stability of adjacent structures.



THE COMPETENT PERSON MUST BE AWARE OF:

- Surface and overhead encumbrances
- Underground utilities
- Access and egress
- Vehicular traffic
- Continuation of trade activity



Inspections

- Daily and before start of work
- As needed throughout the shift
- After snowstorms, windstorms, thaw, earthquake
- Soil classification
- Any hazard increasing occurrence
- Employees shall be removed until precautions have been taken



Inspections

- When fissures, tension cracks, sloughing undercutting, water seepage, bulging at the bottom
- Change in size, location or placement of the spoil pile
- Indication of movement in adjacent structures







*Training, knowledge and
experience as demonstrated
through responsible action
makes a person
“competent.”*



Fall protection

- If walkway provided
 - Where employees permitted to cross, guard rails provided where 6 feet or more above lower levels
 - Fall protection standard



Requirements of Protective Systems

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- Employees shall be protected from cave-in by an adequate protective system except;
 - Entirely in stable rock
 - Less than 5 feet in depth with no indication of cave-in







Designs using Manufacturers Data

- Deviation will only be allowed after manufacturer issues specific written approval
- Written form at the job site during construction



Materials and Equipment

- Free of damage and defects
- Maintain in manner consistent with manufacturers data
- Examined by competent person & evaluated for continued use
- Removed from service until approved by registered professional engineer





Trench Boxes



Installation & Removal

- Members securely connected
 - Prevent sliding, falling, kick outs
 - Other predictable failure
- Members shall not subjected to loads exceeding those which were designed
- Members removed from bottom first
- Back fill with removal of support system



Installation & Removal

- Excavate to no greater than 2 feet below – only if system is rated at full depth and there are no indications of a loss of soil from behind or below the support system
- Employees are not permitted to work below other employees unless adequately protected from falling, rolling, sliding material
- Employees are not allowed in shields when installed, removed or moved vertically













What's good?

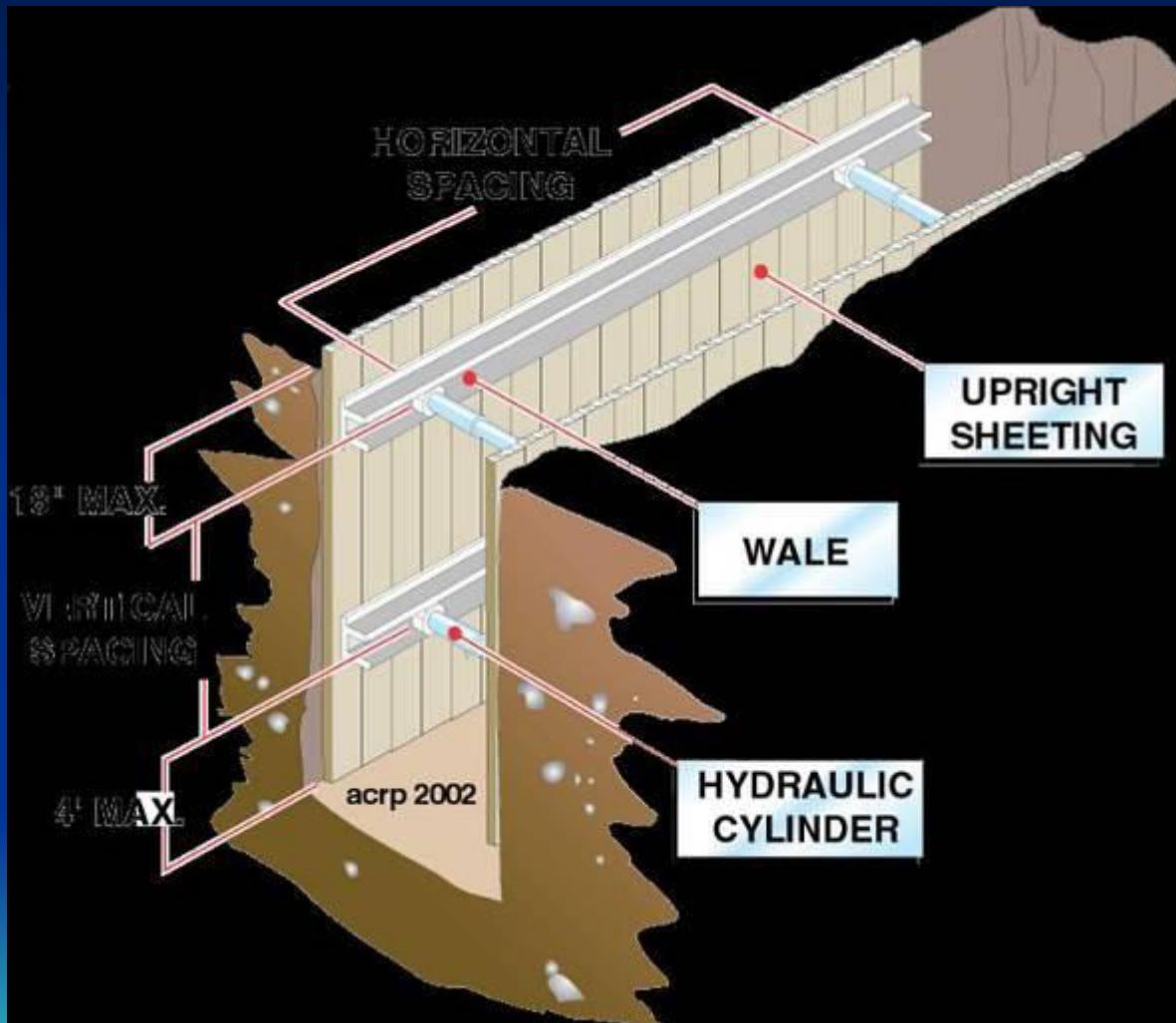


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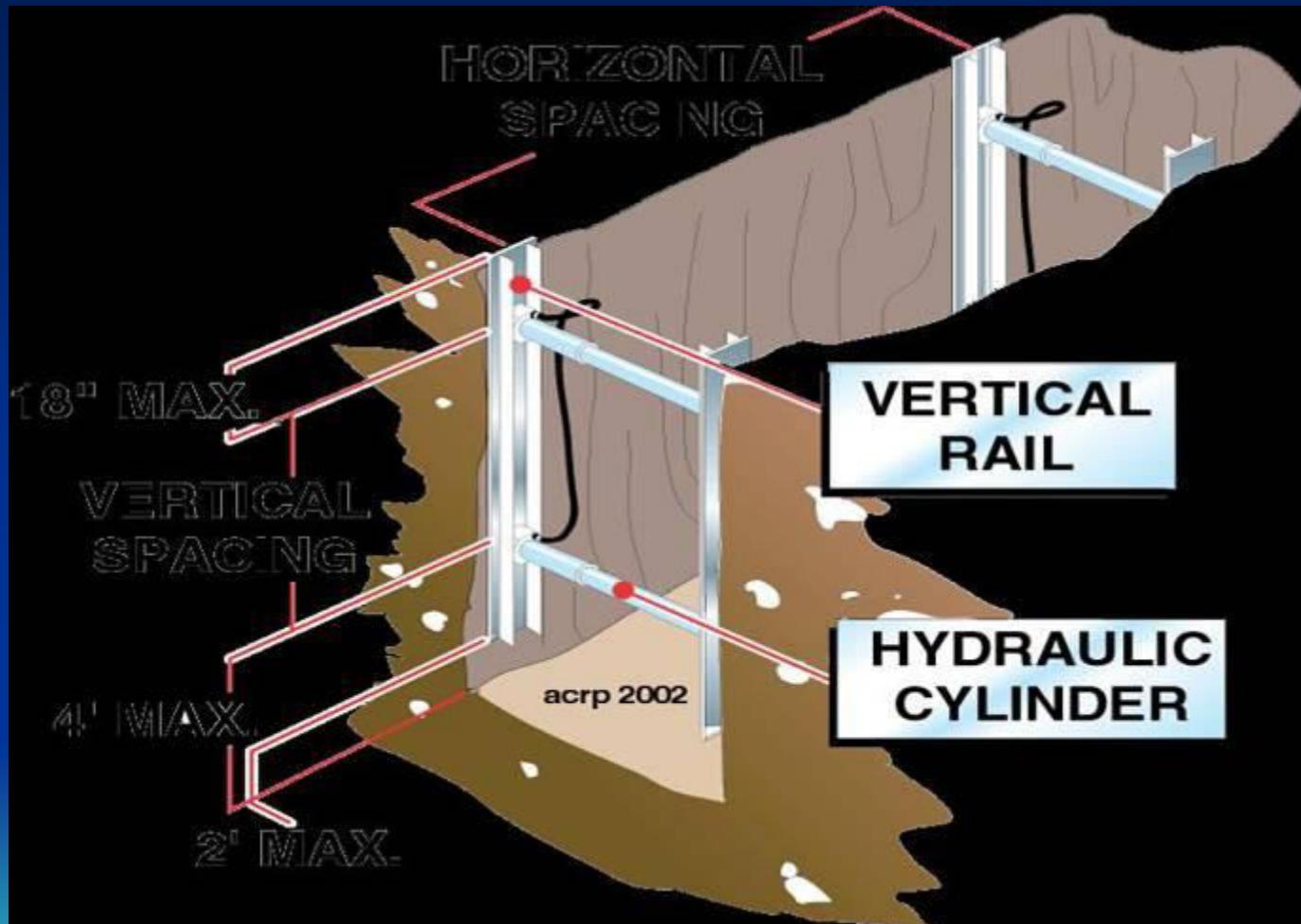
Shield Used with Sloping



Horizontal Shoring Dimensions



Vertical Shoring Dimensions



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Pneumatic Systems



SHIELD USAGE AND SAFETY

Shields are used to protect workers from cave-ins, not to provide support for the trench.

- Manufacturer's Data must be present at work site.
- Top of the shield must extend to the top of the trench.
- If used with sloping, top of shield must extend 18 inches above vertical trench walls.
- Shields may be stacked, provided the bottom one is rated for the total depth of the trench.
- The trench may be dug 2 feet lower than the shield bottom, but the shield must be rated for that depth.
- Backfill around the box to prevent lateral movement.



Review

Table Top Exercise



Soil Classification

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- Cemented soil
- Cohesive soil
- Dry soil
- Fissured
- Granular soil
- Layered system
- Moist soil
- Plastic
- Saturated soil
- Soil classification system
- Stable rock
- Submerged soil
- Unconfined compressive strength
- Wet soil



Soil Category: Stable Rock

Natural solid mineral material that can be excavated with vertical sides and remain intact while exposed. Examples are granite and sandstone.

Determining whether a deposit is stable rock may be difficult unless it is known whether cracks exist and whether or not the cracks run into or away from the excavation.

Soil Classifications

- Stable rock
- Type A
- cohesive soils with an unconfined compressive strength of 1.5 tons per square foot [tsf]
 - Clay, silty clay, sandy clay



Soil Classifications

- No soil is type A if;
 - Fissured
 - Subject to vibration
 - Previously disturbed
 - Seeping water
 - Part of a sloped or layered system of four horizontal to one vertical



Soil Fissuring



To Much Water?



Weight and Vibration



Soil Classifications

- Type B
 - cohesive soils with an unconfined compressive strength greater than 0.5 tsf but less than 1.5 tsf
 - Silt, silt loam, angular gravel
 - soils that are fissured, or subject to vibration



Soil Classification

- Type - C
- cohesive soils with a unconfined compressive strength of 0.5 tsf or less
 - gravel, sand, loamy sand, submerged soil, soil from which water is freely seeping



SOIL STRENGTH MEASURE

Unconfined Compressive Strength (UCS)

- The amount of pressure in tons per square foot (tsf) required to cause the soil to fail in compression.
- OSHA Soil Classification is based on the UCS of the soil.



Basis of classification

- The classification of deposits shall be made based on the results of at least one visual and one manual analysis conducted by a competent person



Acceptable visual test

- Determine qualitative information on site in general
- Soil adjacent to excavation
- Soil forming the sides of the open excavation
- Soil taken as samples from excavated material
- Estimate range of particle sizes



Acceptable visual test

- Observe evidence of surface water
- Water seeping from the sides
- Location of the level of the water table
- Sources of vibration that may affect stability
- Evidence of previously disturbed soil



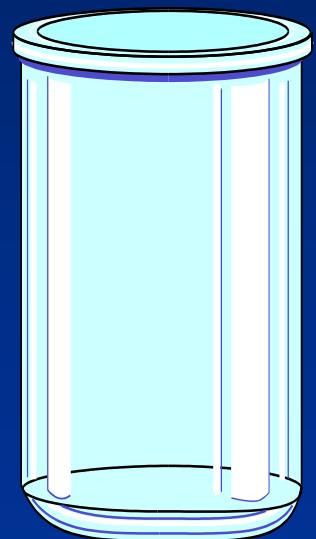
Acceptable manual test

- Plasticity
- Ribbon and thread test
- Dry strength test
- Thumb penetration test
- Other strength test
- Pocket penetrometer
- Hand-operated shearvane

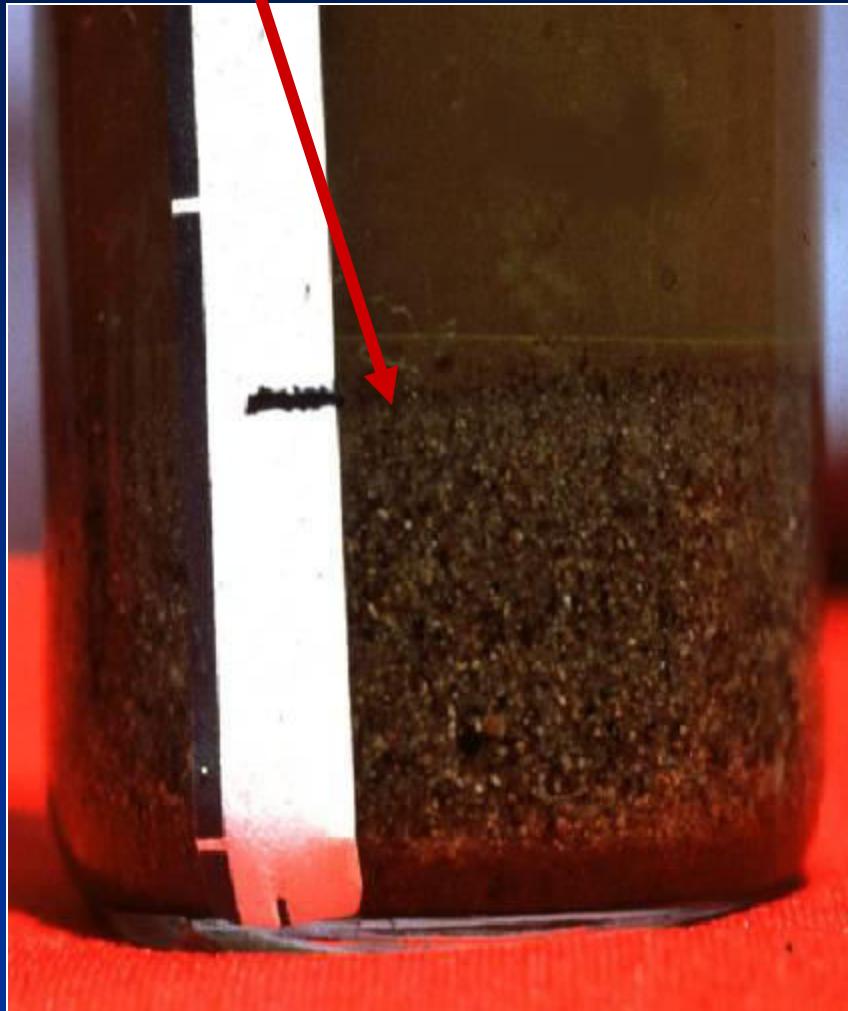


Field Sedimentation Test

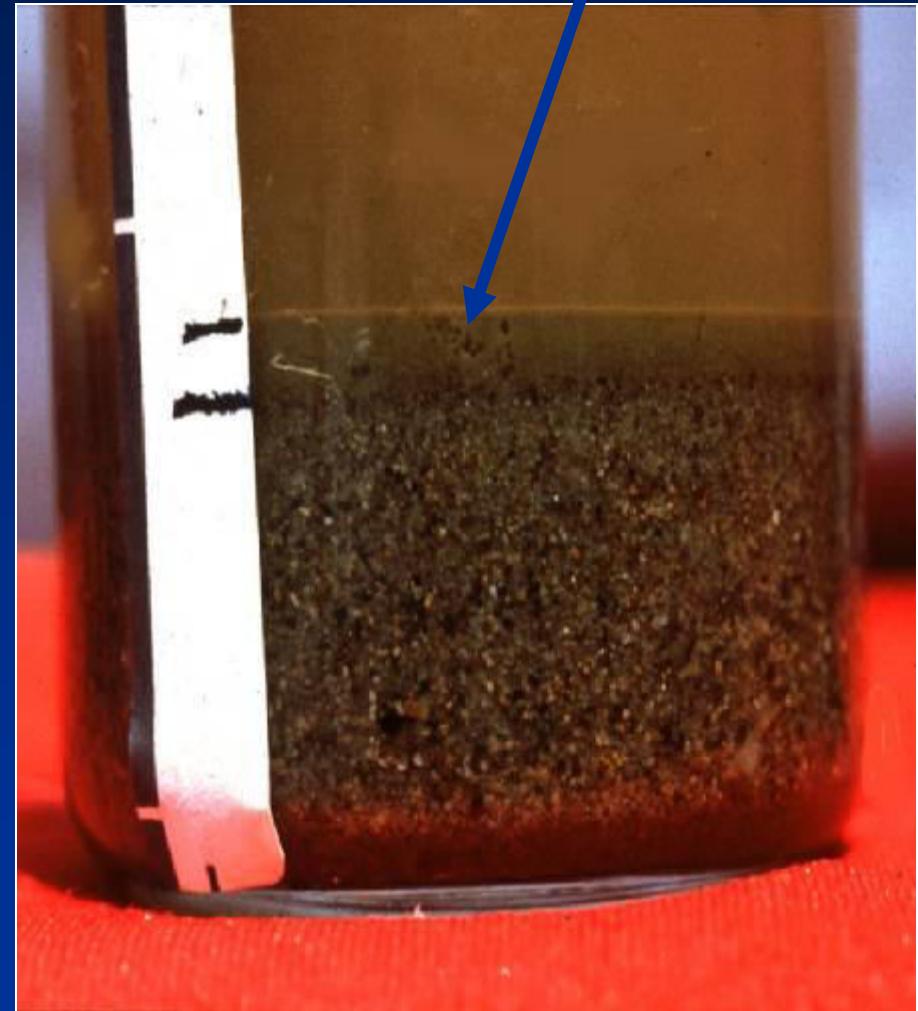
- Flat bottom container - at least 7 inches high (old olive jar)
- 1 1/2 to 2 inches of soil
- Place soil in the glass jar
- 5 inches of water on top of soil



After 30 seconds granular sand type material settles at the bottom



After 3 minutes silt type material settles on top of the sand



**COHESIVE SOILS
UNCONFINED
COMPRESSIVE
STRENGTH**

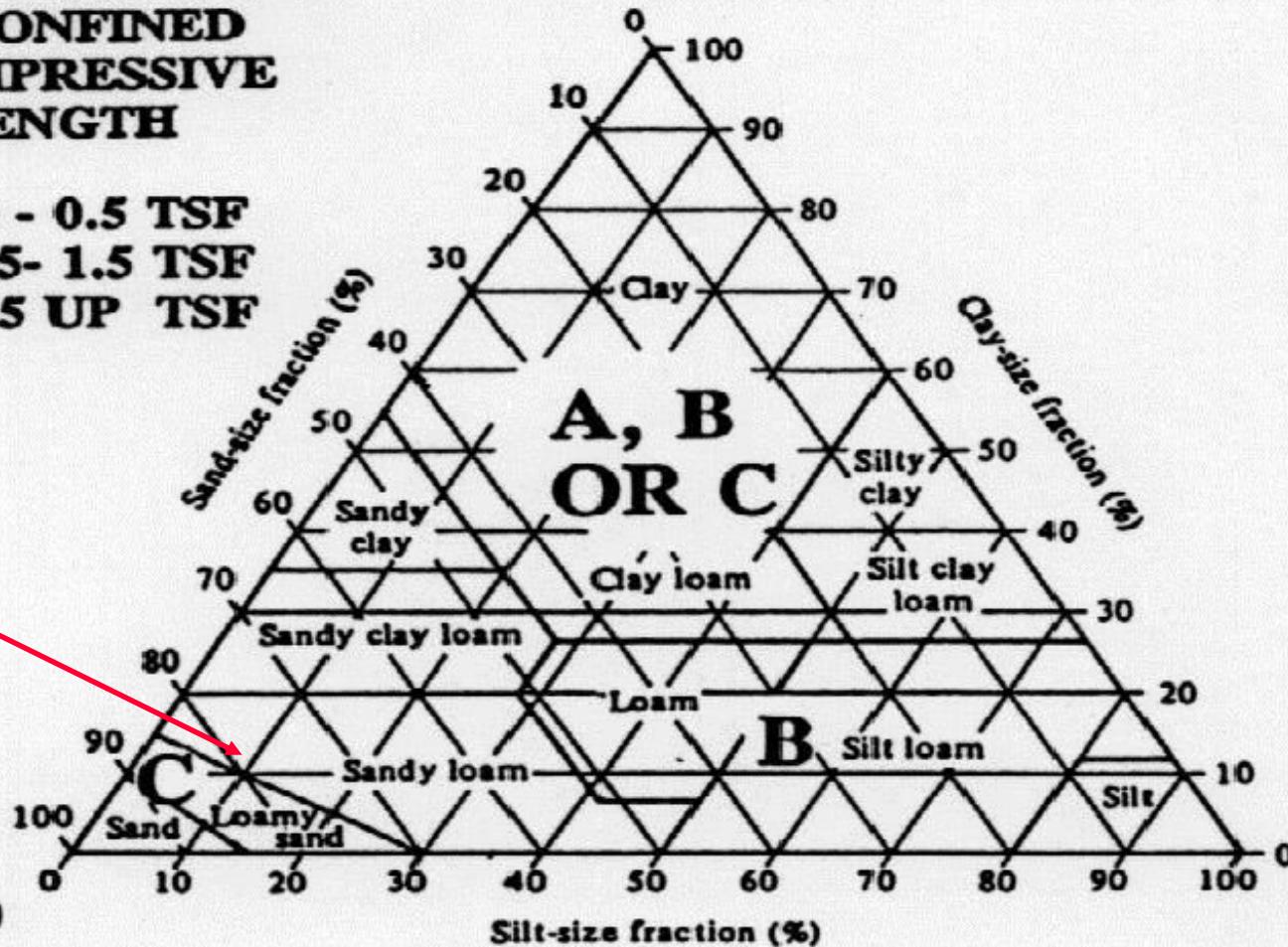
**C 0 - 0.5 TSF
B 0.5- 1.5 TSF
A 1-5 UP TSF**

10% clay
10% silt
80% sand

SAND

CLAY

SILT



The Ribbon Test

- ↳ Mix soil + water to make into plastic mass
- ↳ Roll mass into cylindrical shape 1/2 to 3/4 inch diameter
- ↳ Lay across palm of hand
- ↳ Press between thumb and second joint of index finger



The Ribbon Test (continued)

- ▶ Pass through thumb
- ▶ Squeeze until it takes the shape of a 1/8 to 1/4 inch thick strip
- ▶ Allow to hang freely from hand



The Ribbon Test (continued)

- ↳ Clay loam will barely ribbon and break easily
- ↳ Clay = relatively long ribbon 6 to 8 inches or more
- ↳ More clay = longer and stronger ribbon
- ↳ Silt has tendency to produce short ribbon with broken appearance



Penciling



If a 2 inch or longer thread can be held without breaking,
the soil is cohesive.

Shearvane/Torvane



Measures Soil's Shear Strength

Shearvane/Torvane

- ↳ Select fresh clod or block of undisturbed soil from spoil pile
- ↳ Cut a smooth surface on the clod
- ↳ Insert vanes of device into the soil
- ↳ Retract vanes to show foot imprint
- ↳ Set indicator at zero
- ↳ Hold device firmly against soil and twist in clockwise manner until soil fails in shear

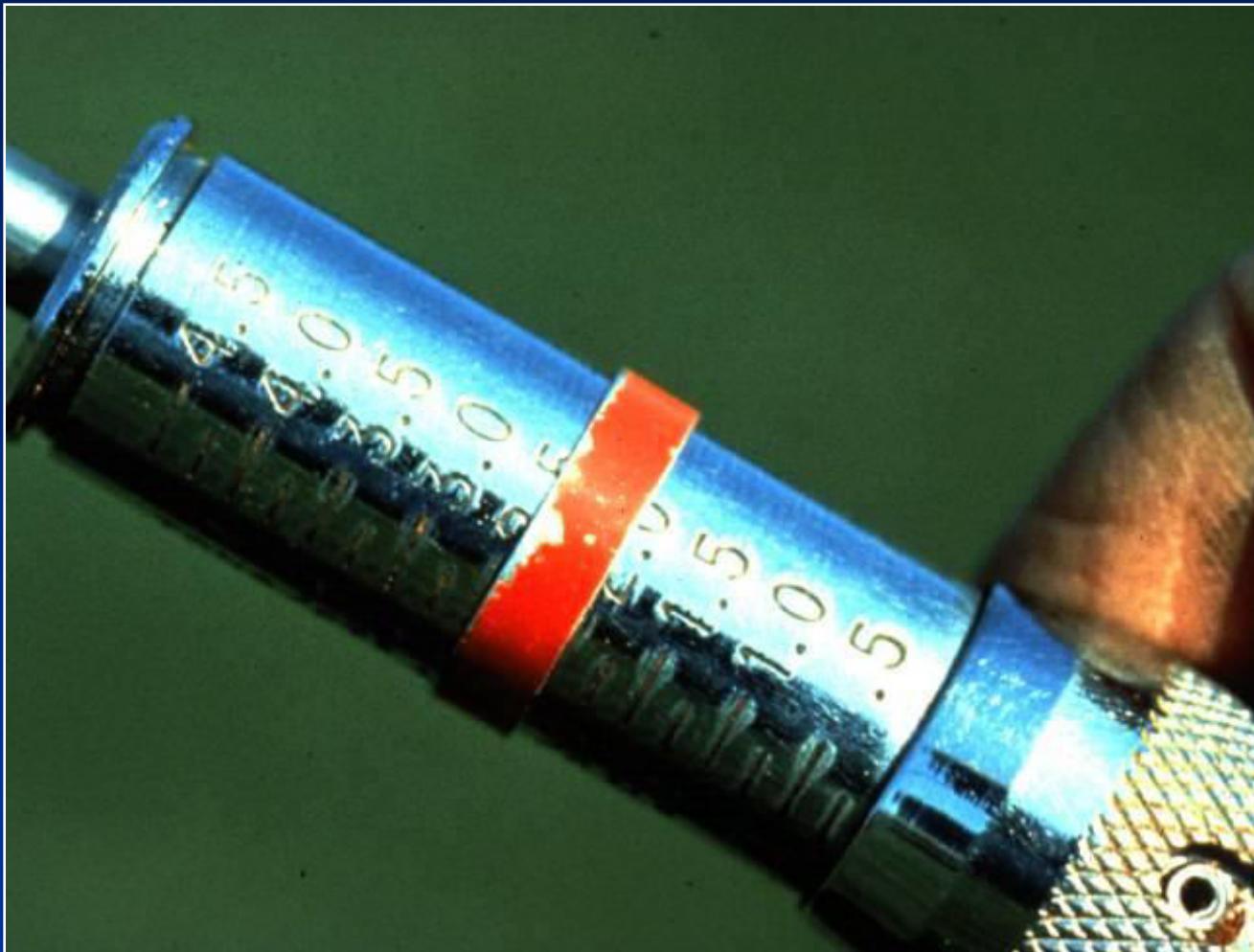


Pocket Penetrometer Test

- ↖ Device is designed to work on saturated clay soil
- ↖ Measures unconfined compressive strength of soil
- ↖ Twice the value of shear strength of same soil
- ↖ Note machine ring



Pocket Penetrometer



Pocket Penetrometer Test

- To begin test, remove red protective cap, push ring against body so that low side reads “O”
- Slowly insert piston until engraved mark is level with soil



Pocket Penetrometer Test

- Read strength in tons/sq ft using low side of ring (side closest to the piston end). Record reading and repeat step #1.
- For weak soils, use 1" adaptor foot, multiply by .0625



Thumb Penetration Test



- The thumb penetration procedure involves an attempt to press the thumb firmly into the soil in question.



Thumb Penetration Test

- If the thumb makes an indentation in the soil only with great difficulty, the soil is probably Type A.
- If the thumb penetrates no further than the length of the thumb nail, it is probably Type B soil.



Thumb Penetration Test

- If the thumb penetrates the full length of the thumb it is Type C soil.
- The thumb test is subjective and is therefore the least accurate of the tests.



Soil Classifications

- Layered Geological Strata
 - where soils are configured in layers
 - must be classified on the basis of the weakest soil
 - each layer may be classified individually if a more stable layer lies below a less stable layer
 - Type C soil rests on top of stable rock



Soil Classifications

- Look for the following conditions
 - Particle size
 - Primarily fine grained=cohesive material
 - Primarily coarse-grained sand or gravel
 - Granular material
 - Cohesion
 - Remains in clumps=cohesive



Soil Strength is Dependent Upon:

- Type of Soil.
- Amount of Moisture in the Soil.
- Whether the Soil Has Been Previously Disturbed.



If Water is Added

- **It Brings Additional Weight**
 - *Hydrostatic Pressure*
- **It Erodes the Trench Wall**
 - *Water movement typically moves soil*
- **It Can Freeze and Thaw**
 - *Resulting in cracks & false cohesion*

REMOVAL OF GROUND WATER IS CRITICAL

SOIL COMPONENTS

- Clay:
 - Composed of mineral particles less than 0.002 mm in diameter
- Silt:
 - Individual mineral fragments that range from 0.002 to 0.05 mm in diameter.
- Sand:
 - Individual rock or mineral fragments that range in diameter from 0.05 to 2.0 mm in diameter.
- Gravel:
 - Can be either angular or rounded.



COHESIVE SOIL

- Soil with a high clay content which has cohesive strength.
- It does not crumble.
- It can be excavated with vertical side slopes.
- It is hard to break up when dry.
- It can be molded.
- It exhibits significant cohesion even when submerged.



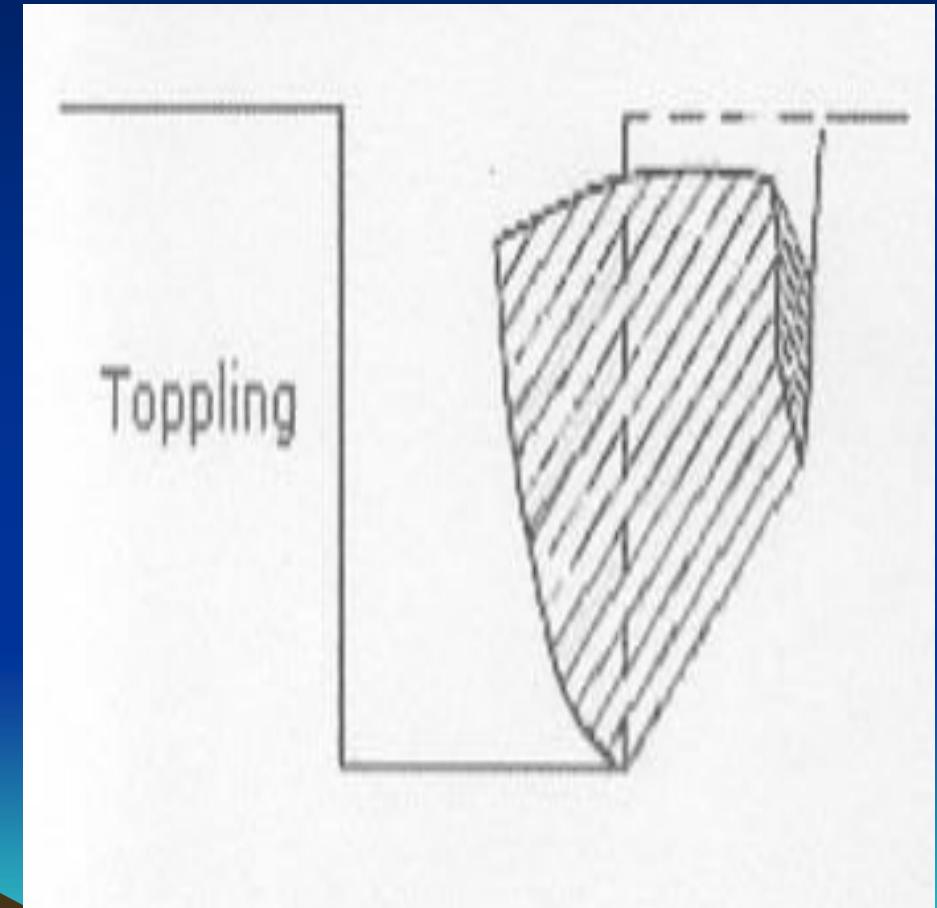
GRANULAR SOIL

- Soils that include gravel, sand, silt.
- Very low clay content.
- It has no cohesive strength.
- Some moist granular soils exhibit apparent cohesion.
- It cannot be molded when moist and crumbles easily when dry.



Soil Mechanics

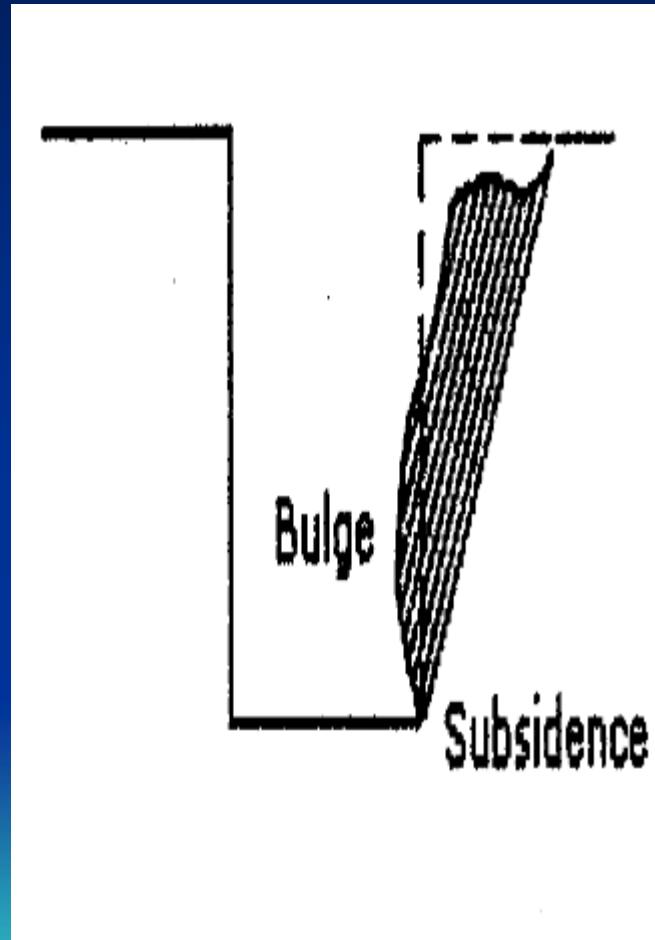
- Toppling occurs when the trench's vertical face shears along the tension crack line and topples into the excavation





Soil Mechanics

- Subsidence and bulging occurs when an unsupported excavation can create an unbalanced stress in the soil which causes subsidence at the surface and bulging of the vertical face

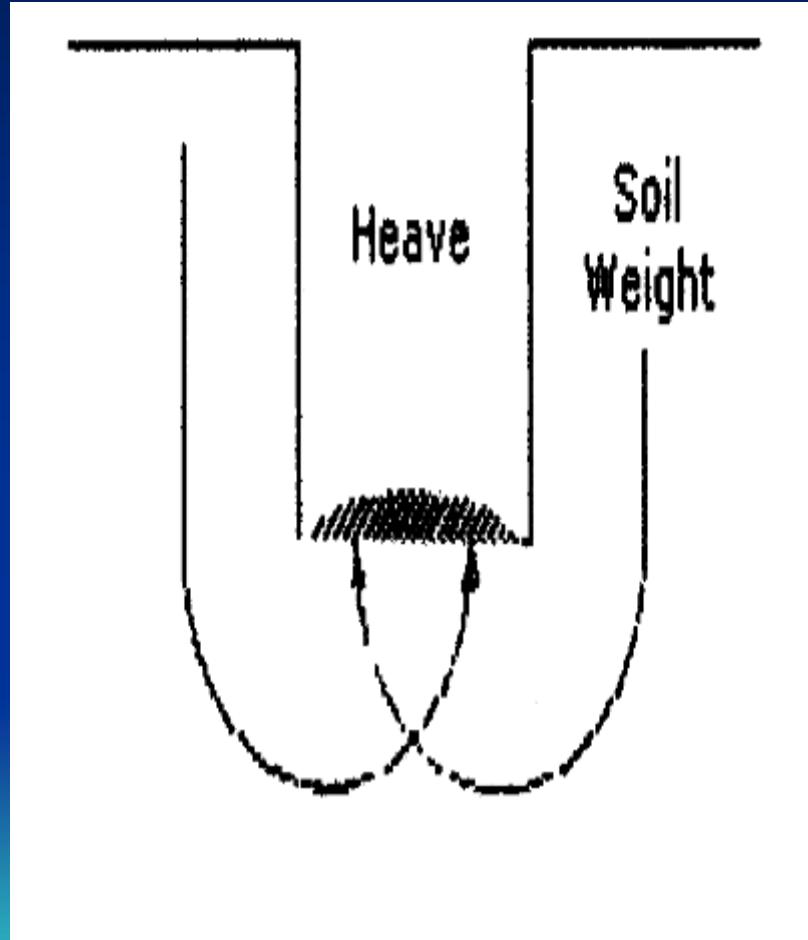




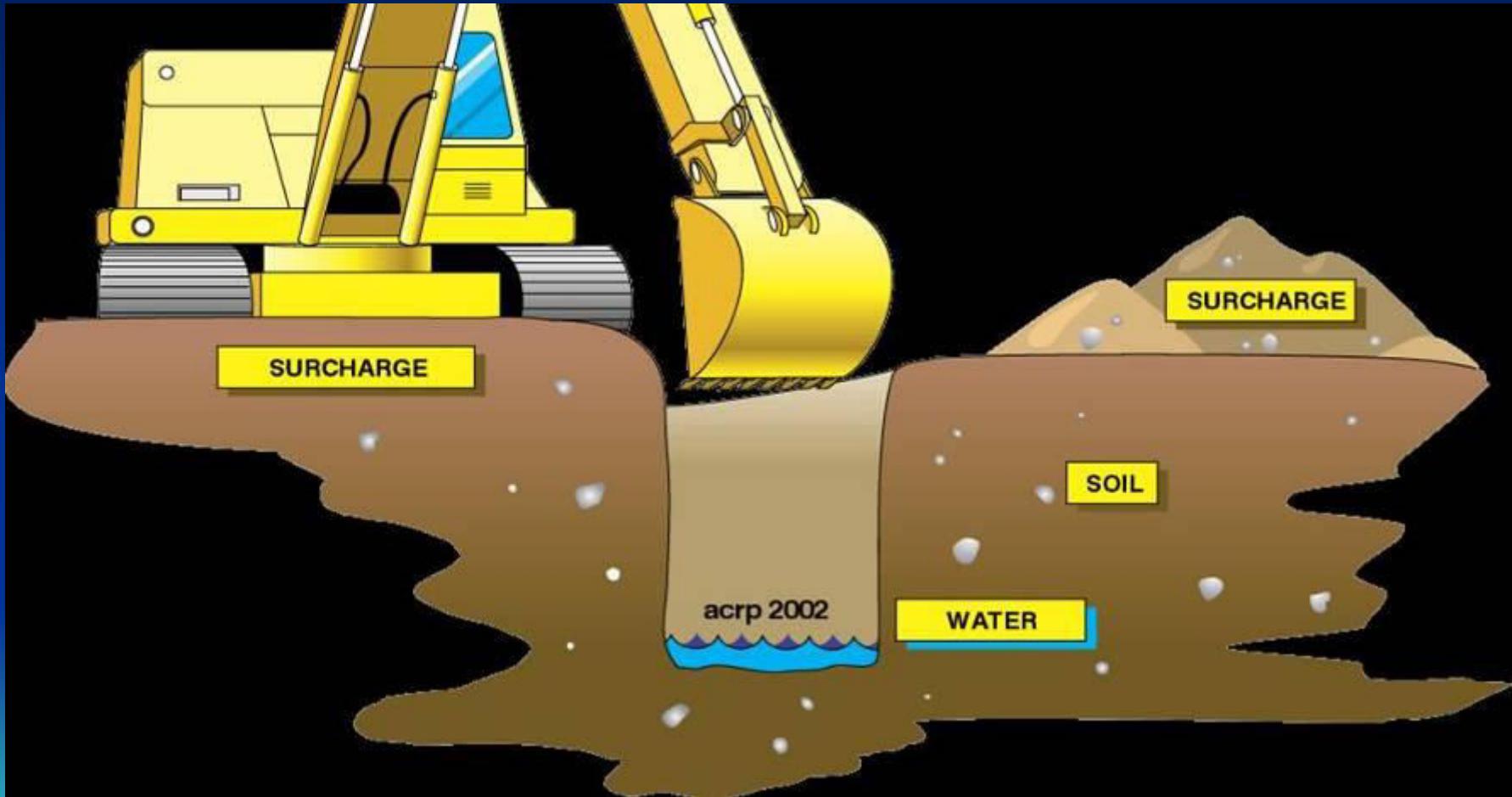


Soil Mechanics

- Heaving or squeezing is caused by the downward pressure created by the weight of adjoining soil or equipment
- Can occur even when shoring or shielding has been properly installed

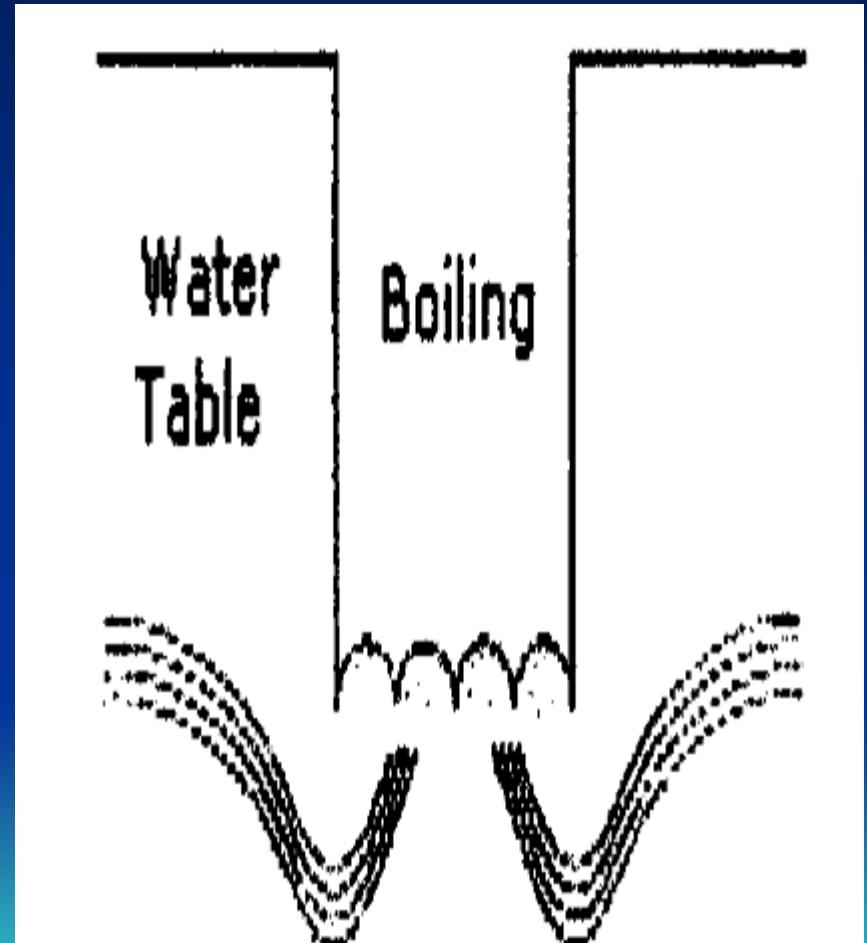


Forces Acting on a Trench



Soil Mechanics

- Boiling is evidenced by an upward water flow into the bottom of the cut
- High water table is one cause
- Boiling produces a quick condition even when trench boxes are used

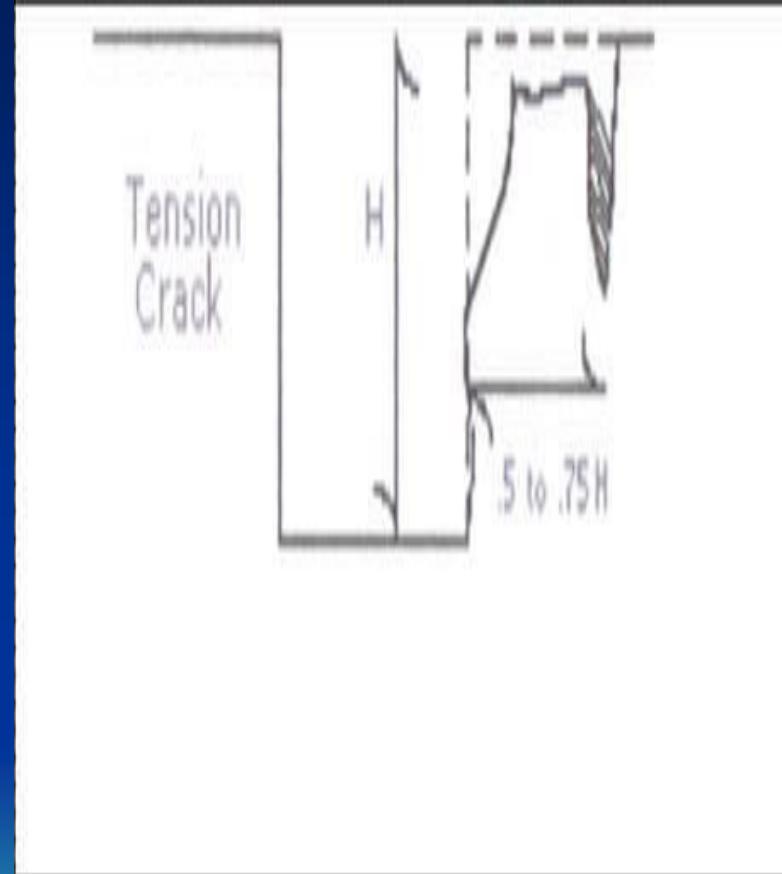


Trench Boiling



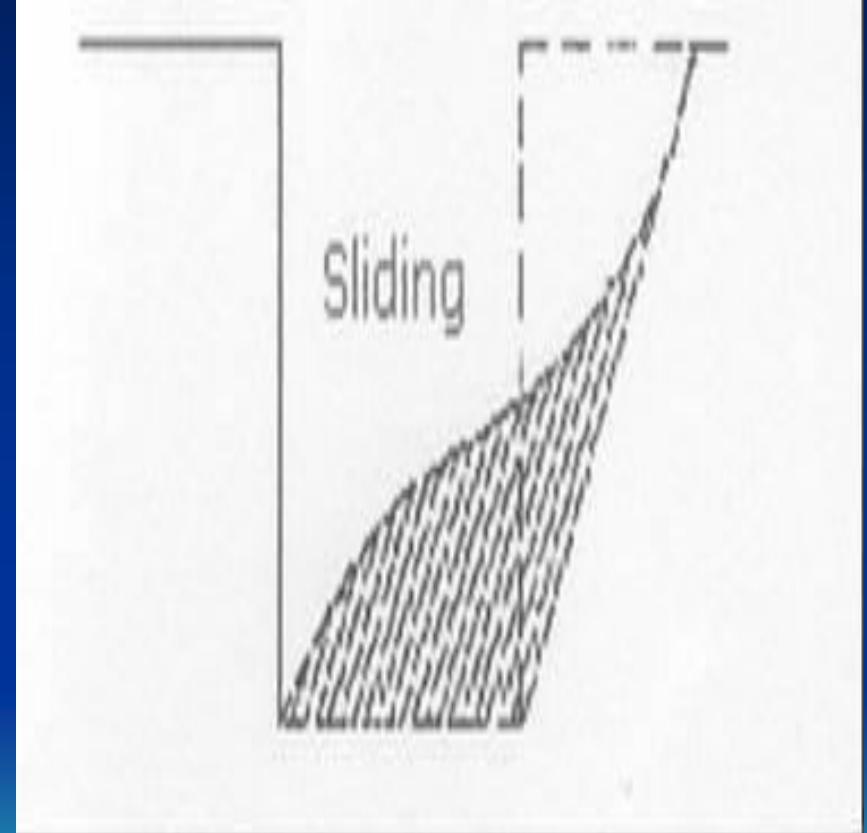
Soil Mechanics

- Tension cracks usually form at a horizontal distance of 0.5 to .75 times the depth of the trench



Soil Mechanics

- Sliding or sloughing may occur as a result of tension cracks



Sloping and Benching

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- Actual slope
- Distress
- Maximum allowable slope
- Short term exposure
- Stable rock
- Type A soil
- Type B soil
- Type C soil



Design of Sloping and Benching

- Allowable configurations and slopes
 - Not steeper than 1 1/2 horizontal to 1 vertical
 - Designs using other tabulated data
 - Shall be in written form
 - Must identify limits of use of the data
 - Identify the registered professional engineer who approved







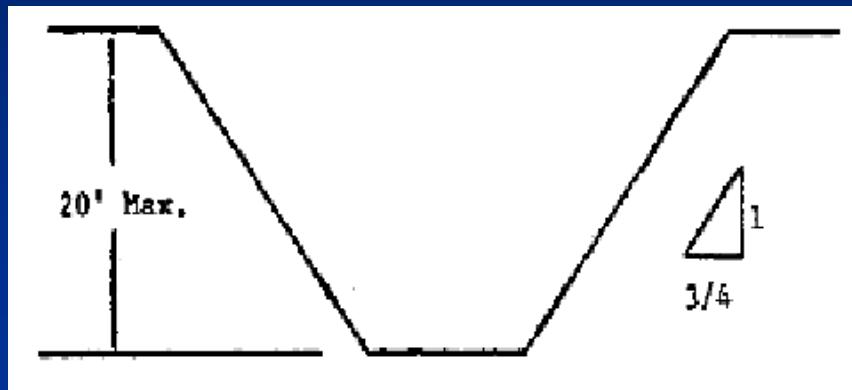
Allowable Slopes

- | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| • Soil type | Height/depth | Slope angle |
| • Stable rock | Vertical | 90 deg |
| • Type A | $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 | 53 deg |
| • Type B | 1 to 1 | 45 deg |
| • Type C | 1 1/2 to 1 | 34 deg |
| • Type A | | |
| • short term | $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 | 63 deg |
| • max excavation depth | 12 ft | |

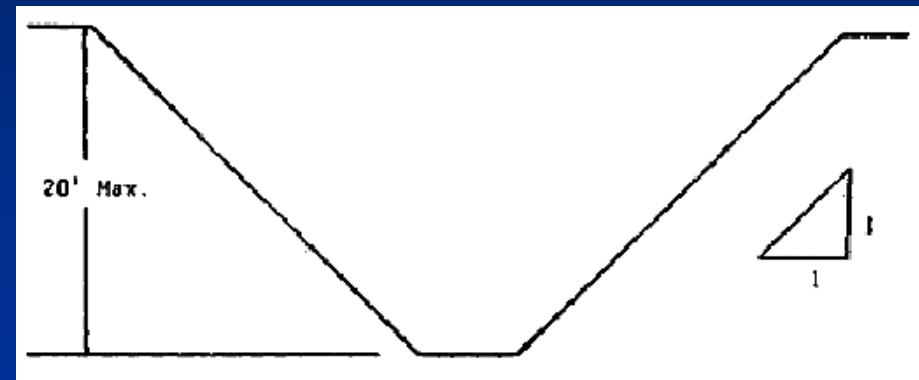


Examples of Sloping for Different Soils

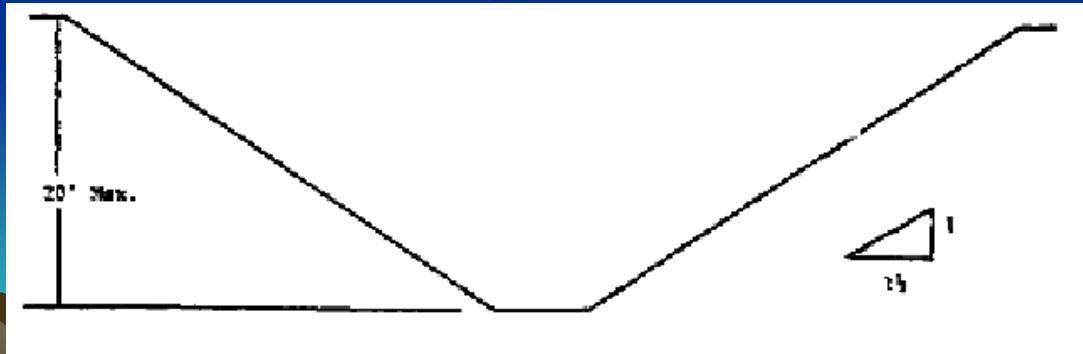
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Type B



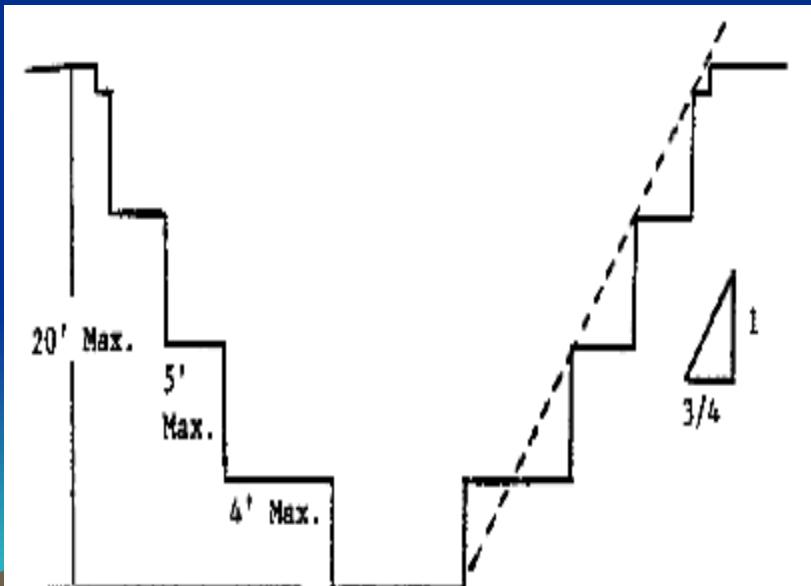
Type C



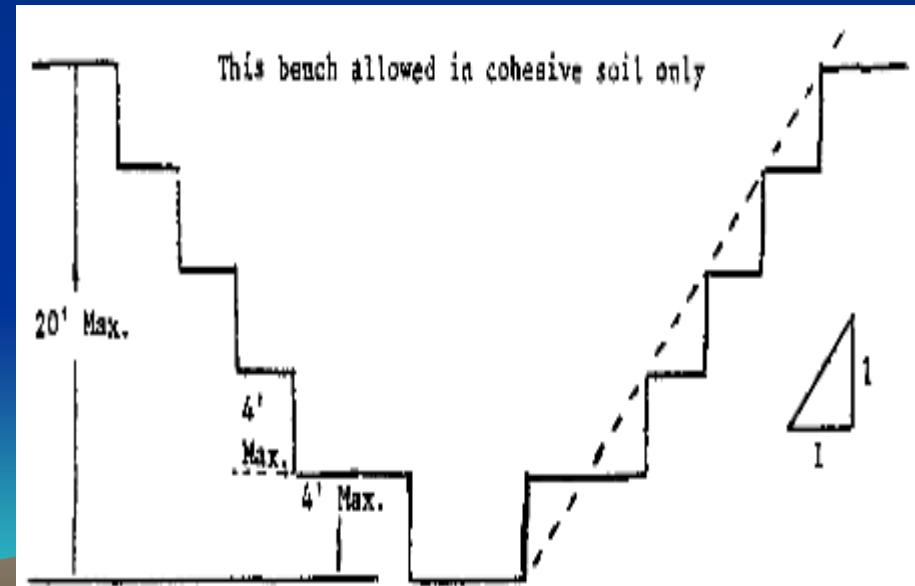
BENCHING

Only to be used on soil types A and B

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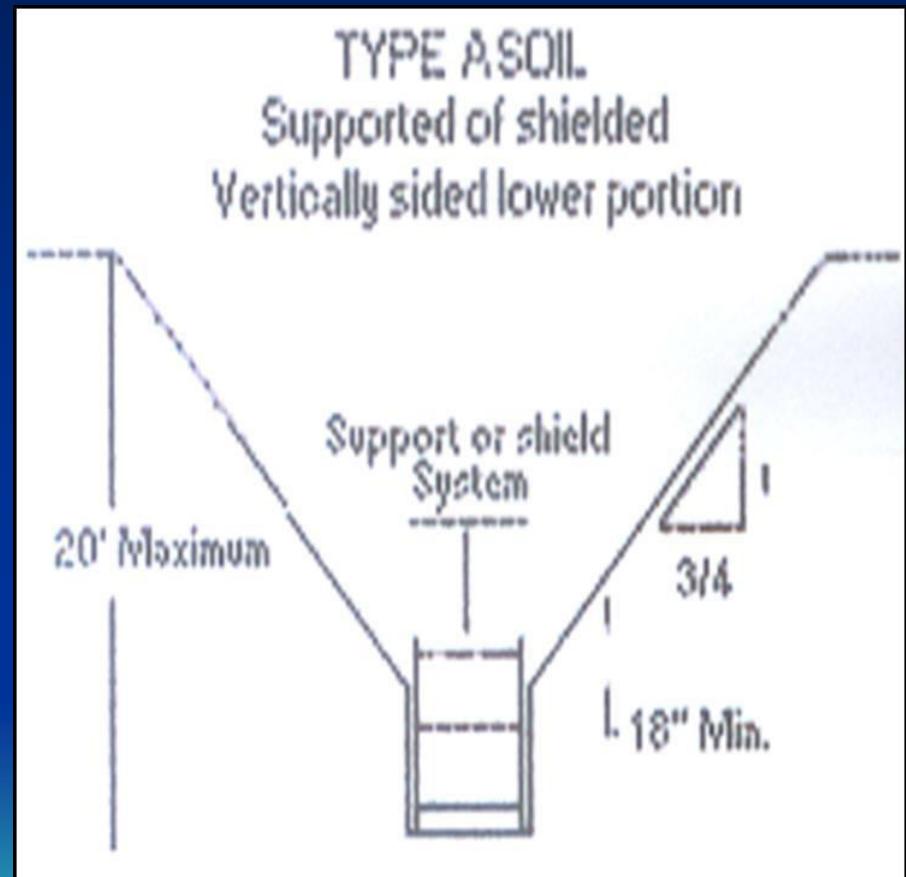


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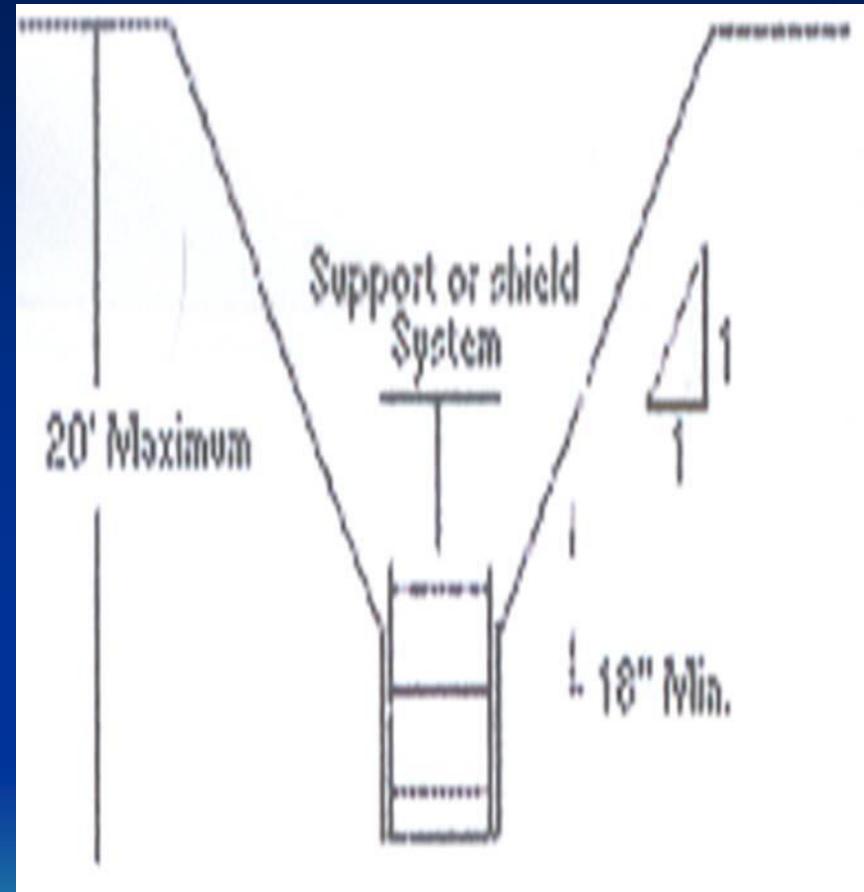
Allowable Slopes

- Type A soil
- Supported or shielded vertically sided lower portion
- $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1
- 20 feet max depth
- Shield 18 inches above to prevent rollover



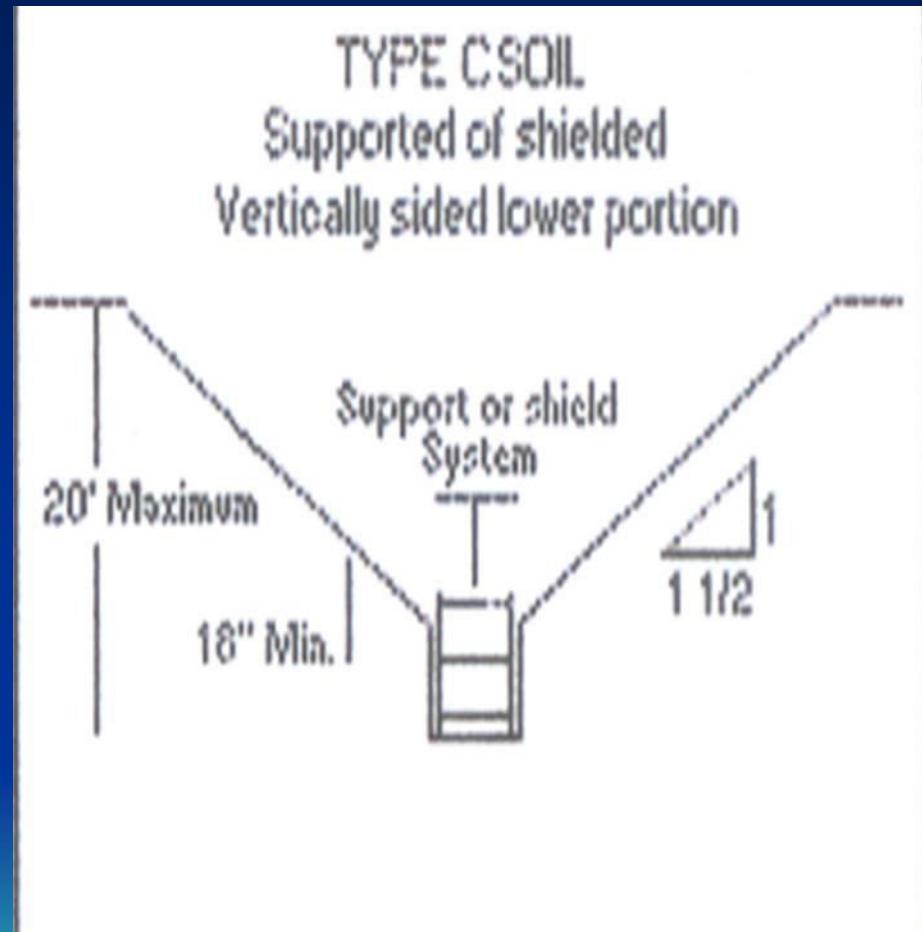
Allowable Slopes

- Type B soil
- Supported or shielded vertically sided lower portion
- 1 to 1 sloped
- 18 inches minimum at top of shield to prevent rollover

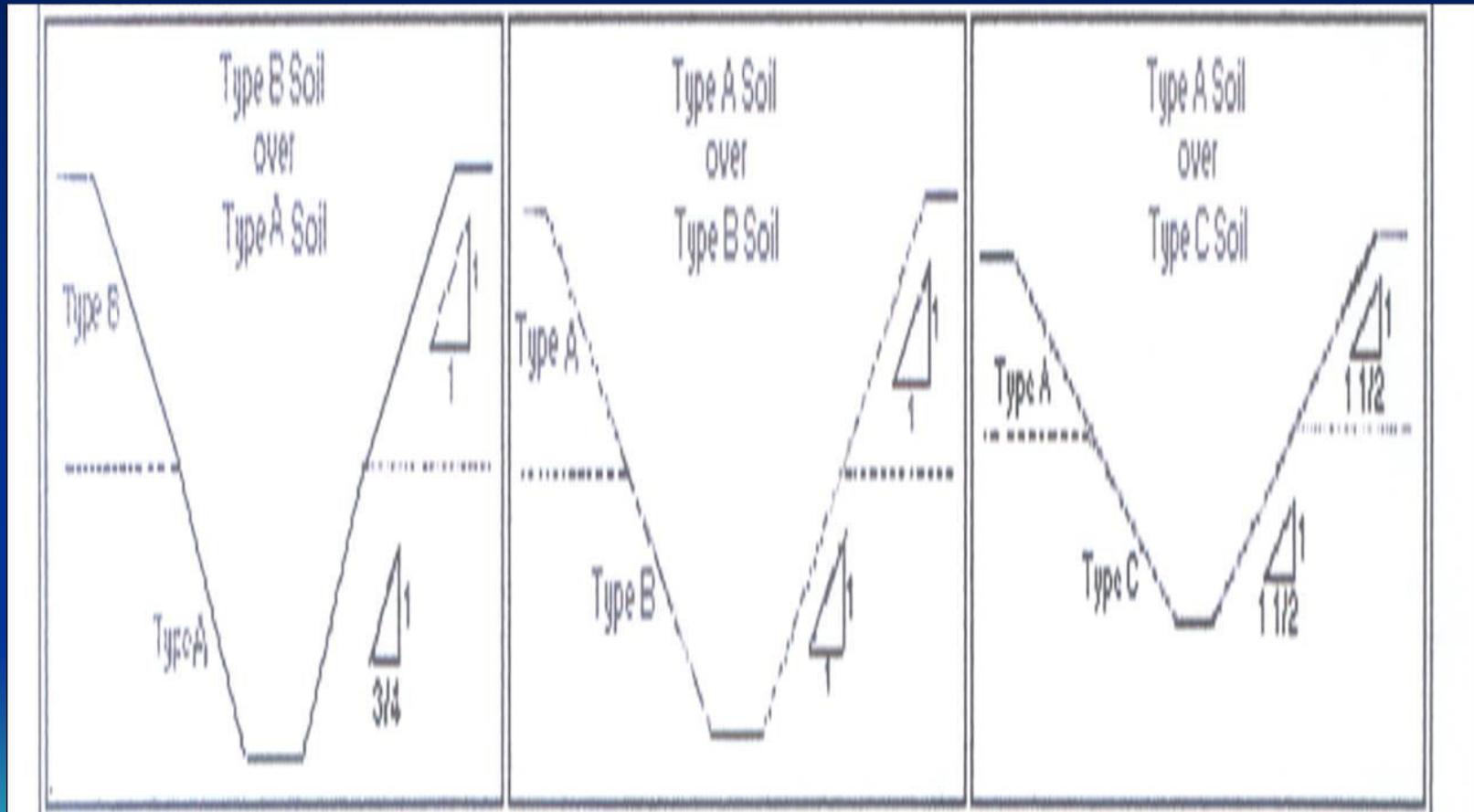


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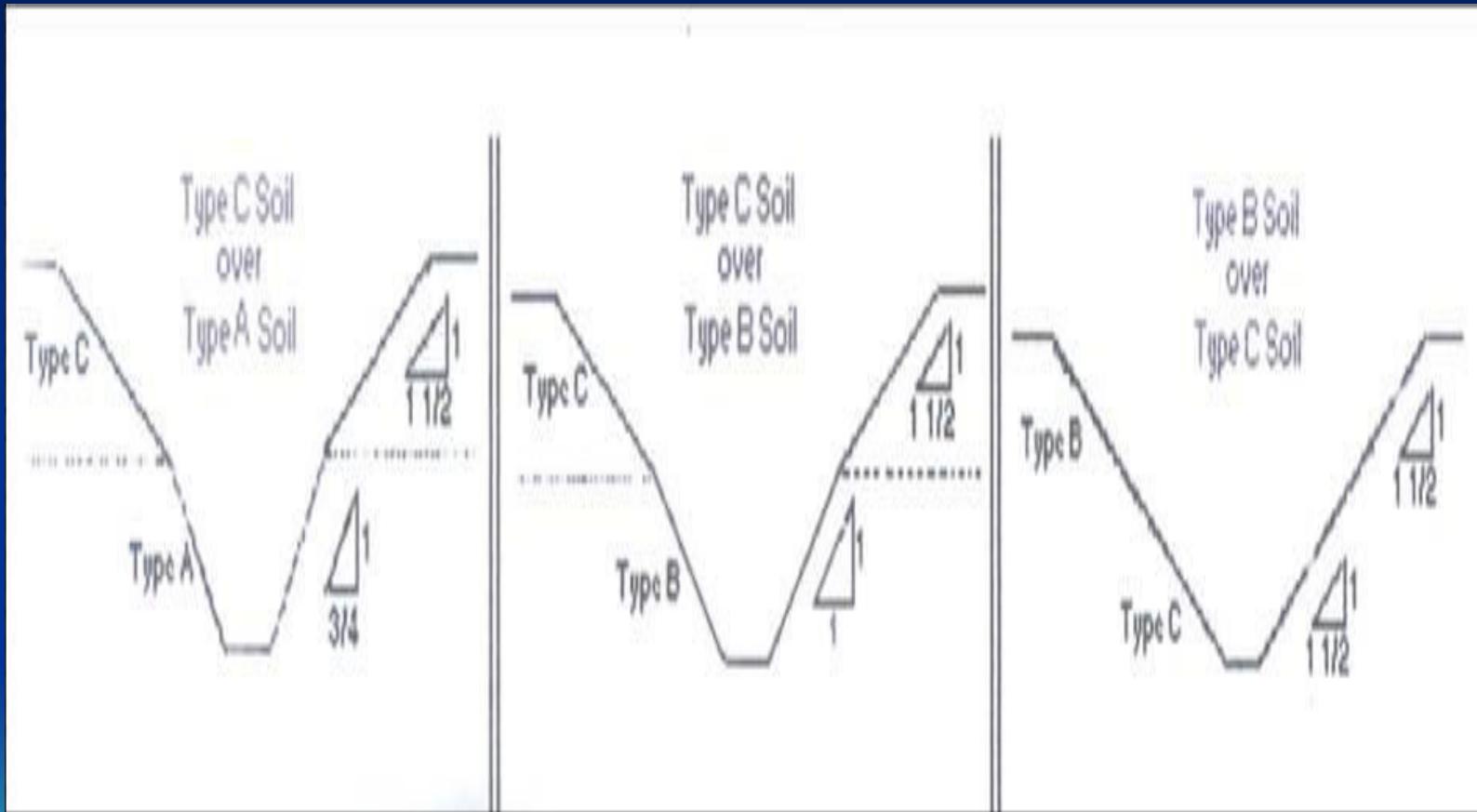
- Type C soil supported of shielded vertically sided lower portion
- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1
- 20 feet max depth
- 18 inches above to prevent rollover



Slope Configurations Excavations in Layered Soils

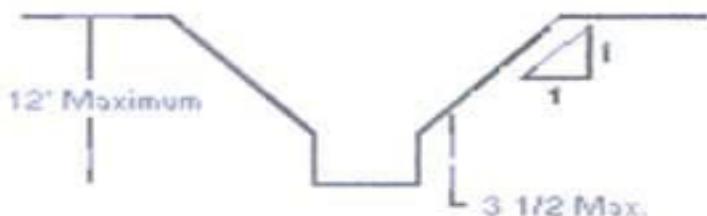


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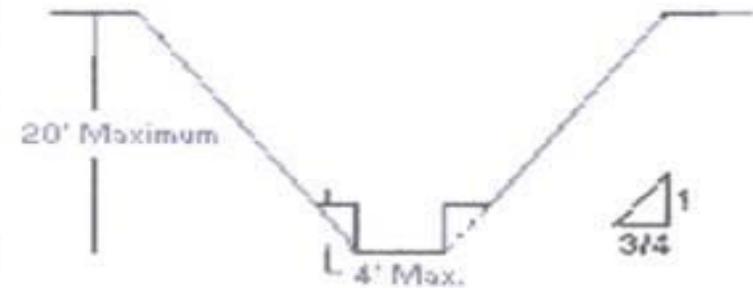


Excavations in Type A Soils

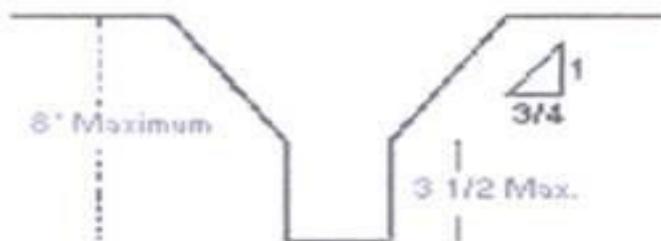
TYPE A SOIL
Unsupported vertically sided lower portion
Maximum 12 Feet in depth



TYPE A SOIL
Simple Bench Excavation



TYPE A SOIL
Unsupported vertically sided lower portion
Maximum 8 Feet in depth



TYPE A SOIL
Simple Slope -- Short Term



Timber Shoring for Trenches

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- Basis and limitations of data
 - Trenches do not exceed 20 ft in depth
 - Each table presents the minimum sizes of timber members to use in a shoring system
 - Tables are taken from National Bureau of Standards

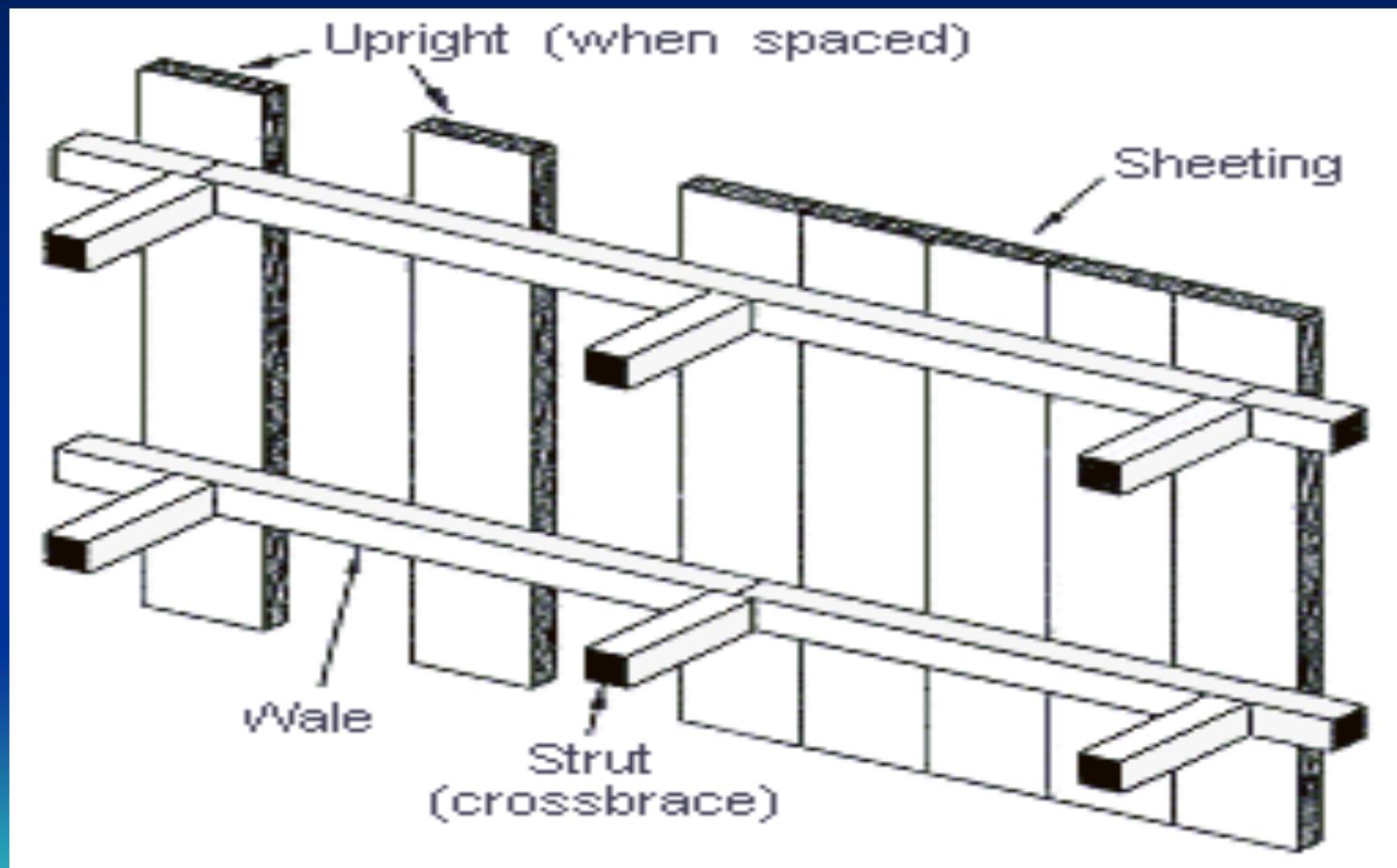




Timber Shoring



Timber Shoring



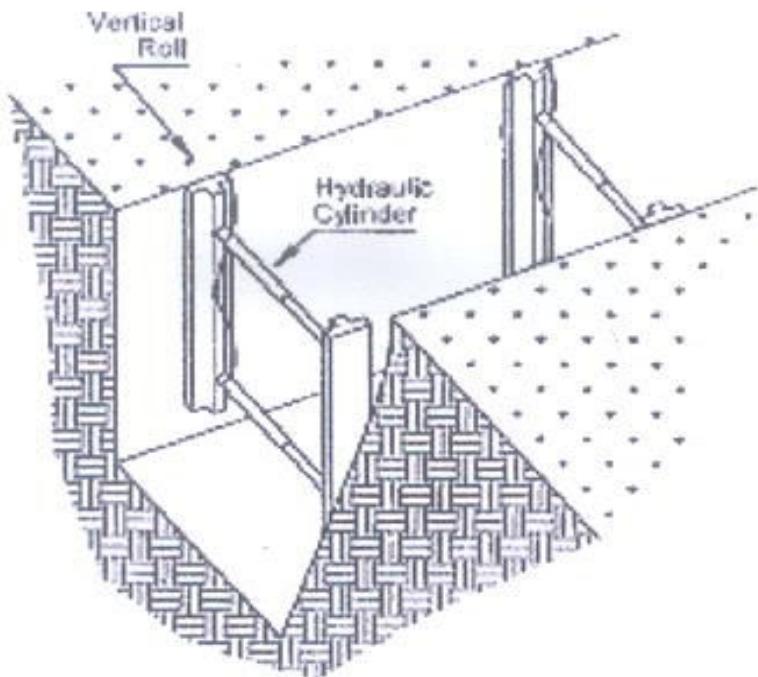
Aluminum Hydraulic Shoring

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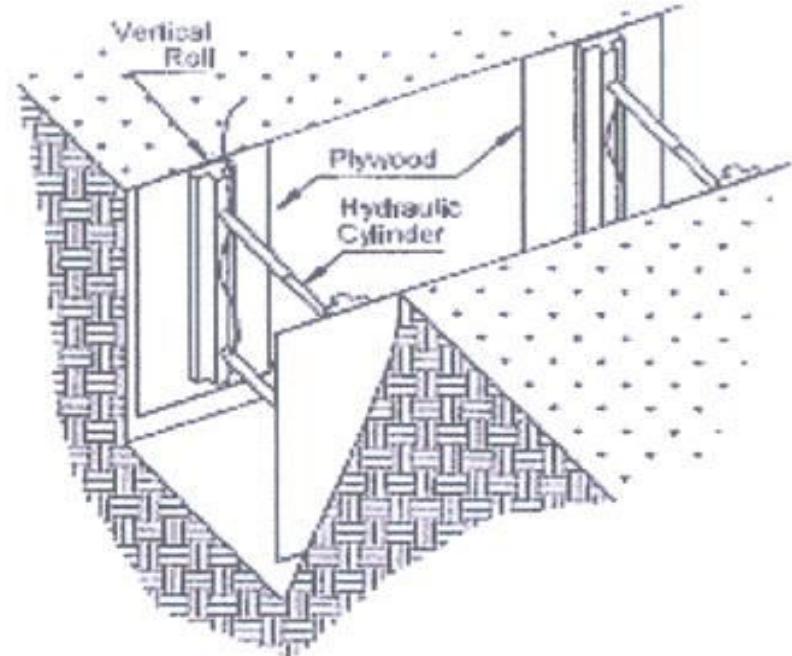
- Basis and limitations of data
 - Vertical shore rails and horizontal wales
 - Meet equivalent strength properties
 - 2 inch cylinder inside diameter minimum safe working capacity of no less than 18000 lbs compressive load at maximum extension
 - 3 inch cylinder inside diameter safe working load not less than 30000 lbs axial compressive load
 - Vertical shores used must be minimum of 3 spaced equally



Aluminum Hydraulic

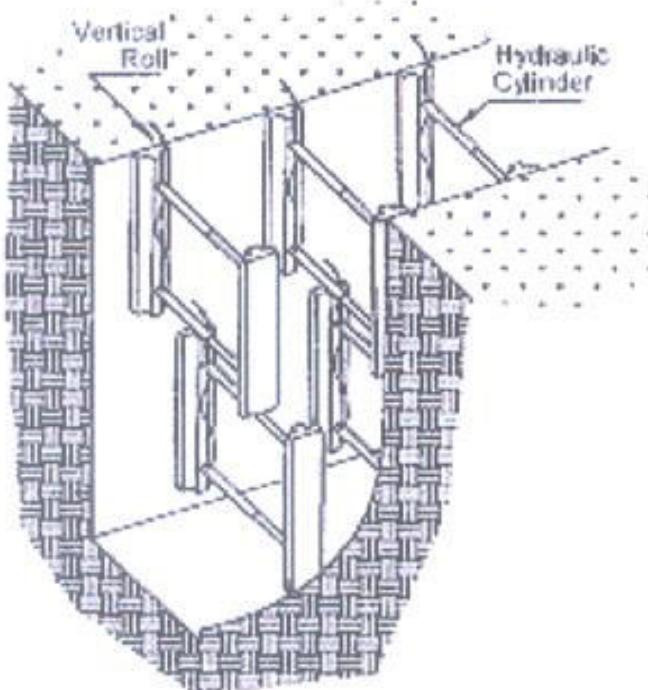


Vertical Aluminum Hydraulic Shoring
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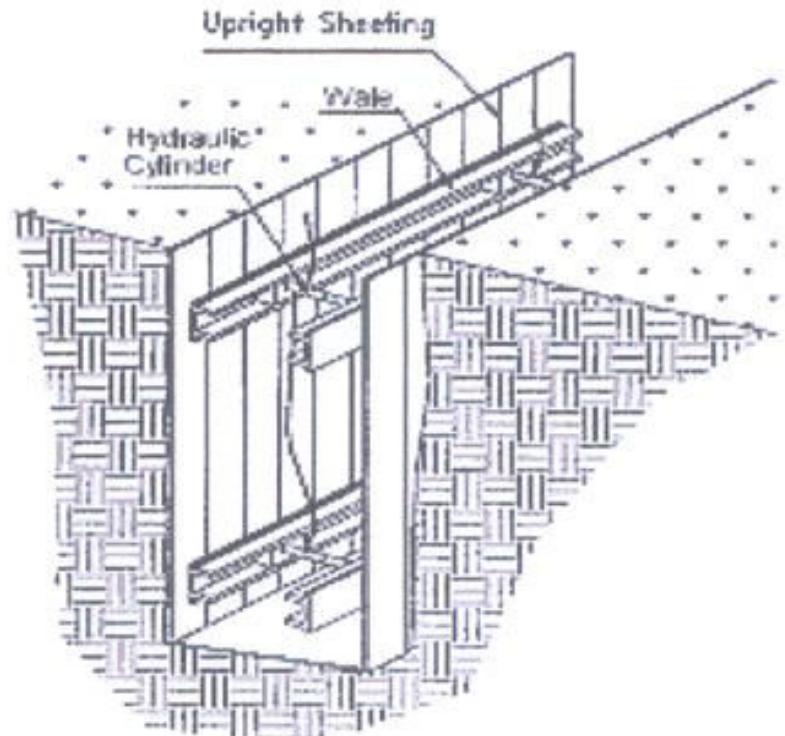


Vertical Aluminum Hydraulic Shoring
(With Plywood)

Aluminum Hydraulic



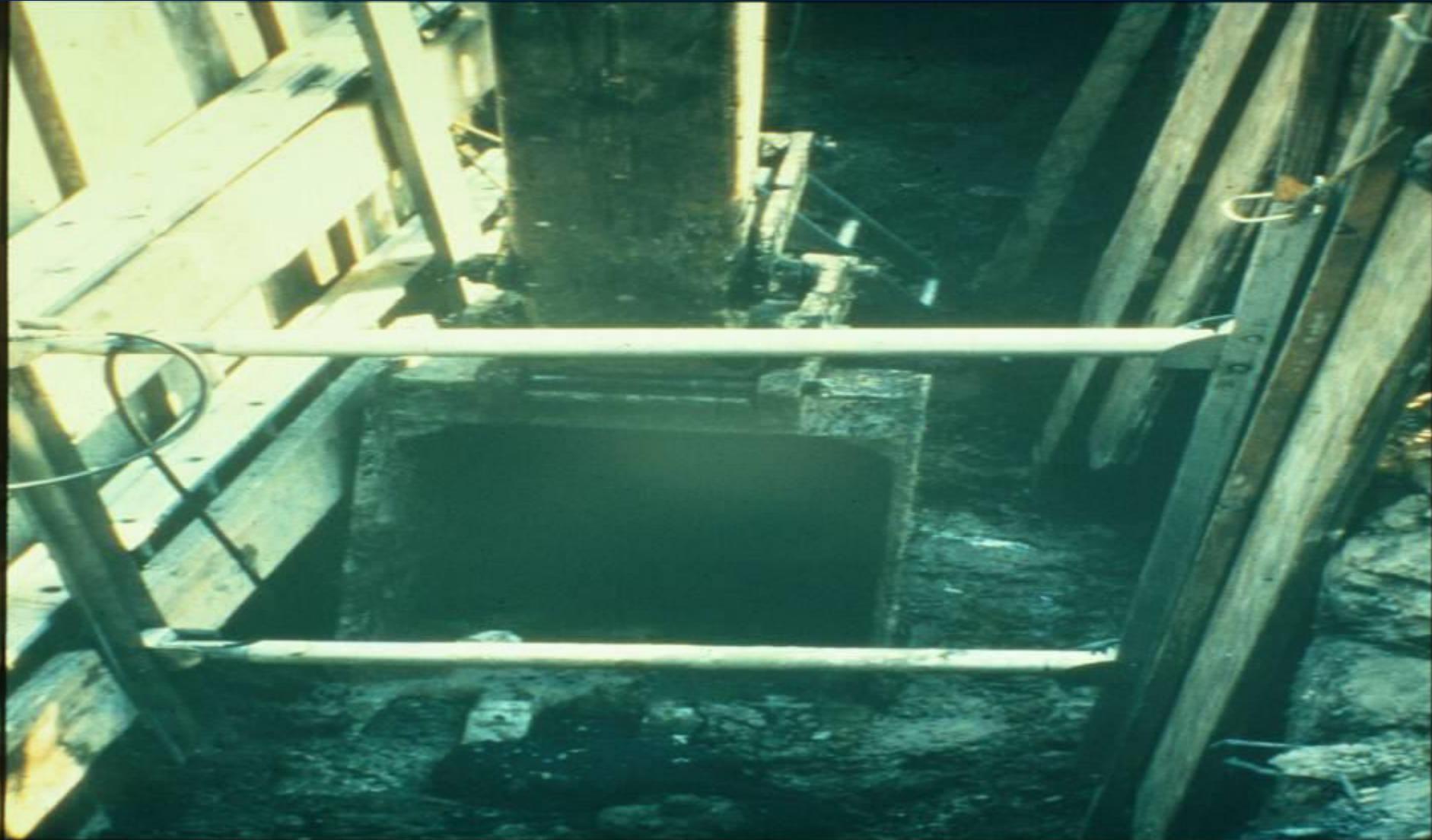
Vertical Aluminum Hydraulic Shoring
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Aluminum Hydraulic Shoring Waler System
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Aluminum Hydraulic





Hydraulic Shoring Usage



Alternatives to Timber Shoring

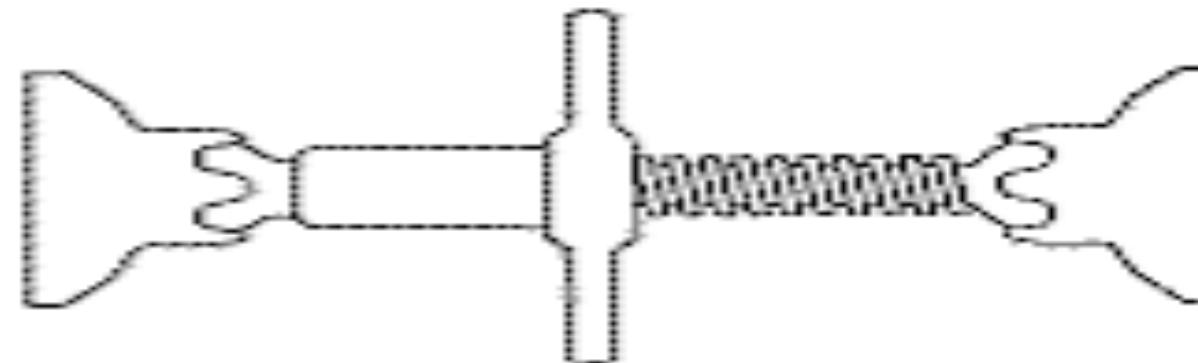
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Pneumatic & hydraulic jacks

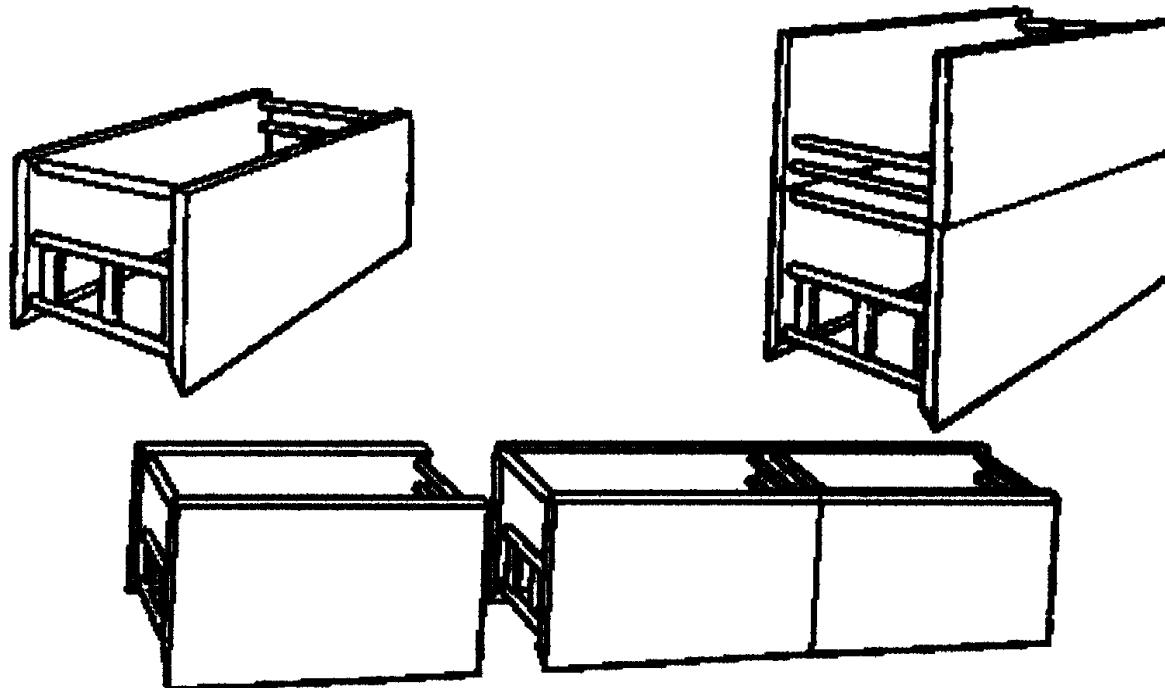


Screw jack



Alternatives to Timber Shoring

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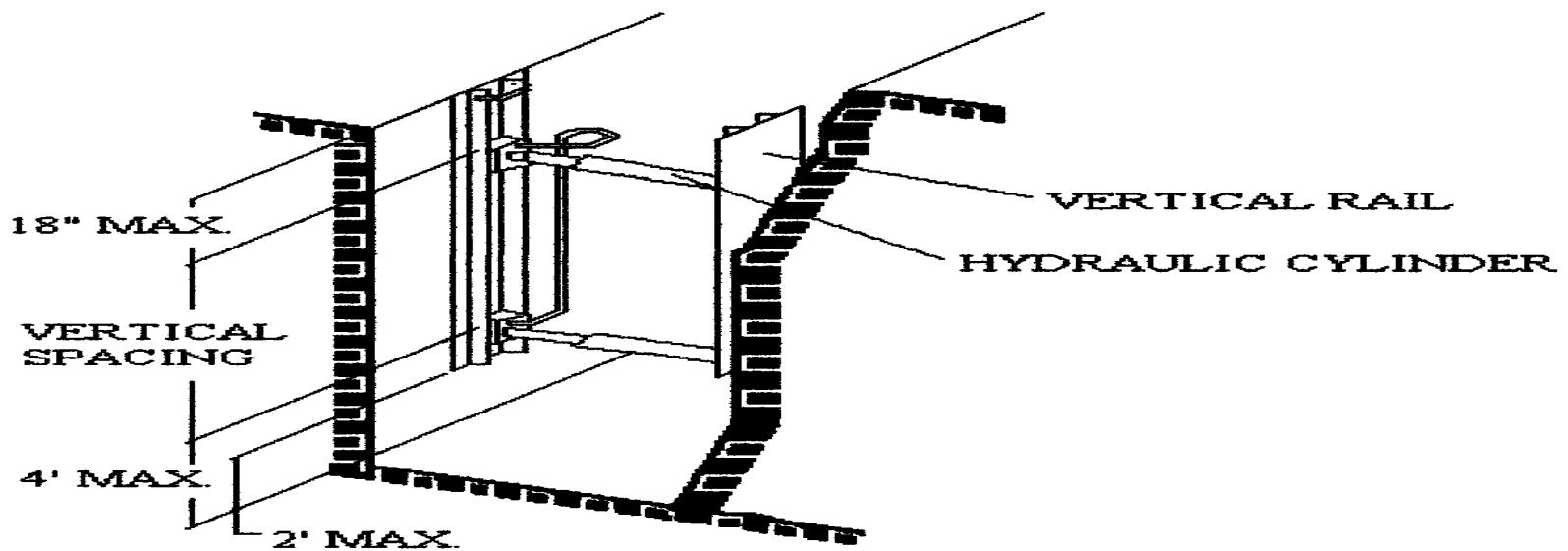


Figure 1. Aluminum Hydraulic Shoring



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Selection of Protective Systems

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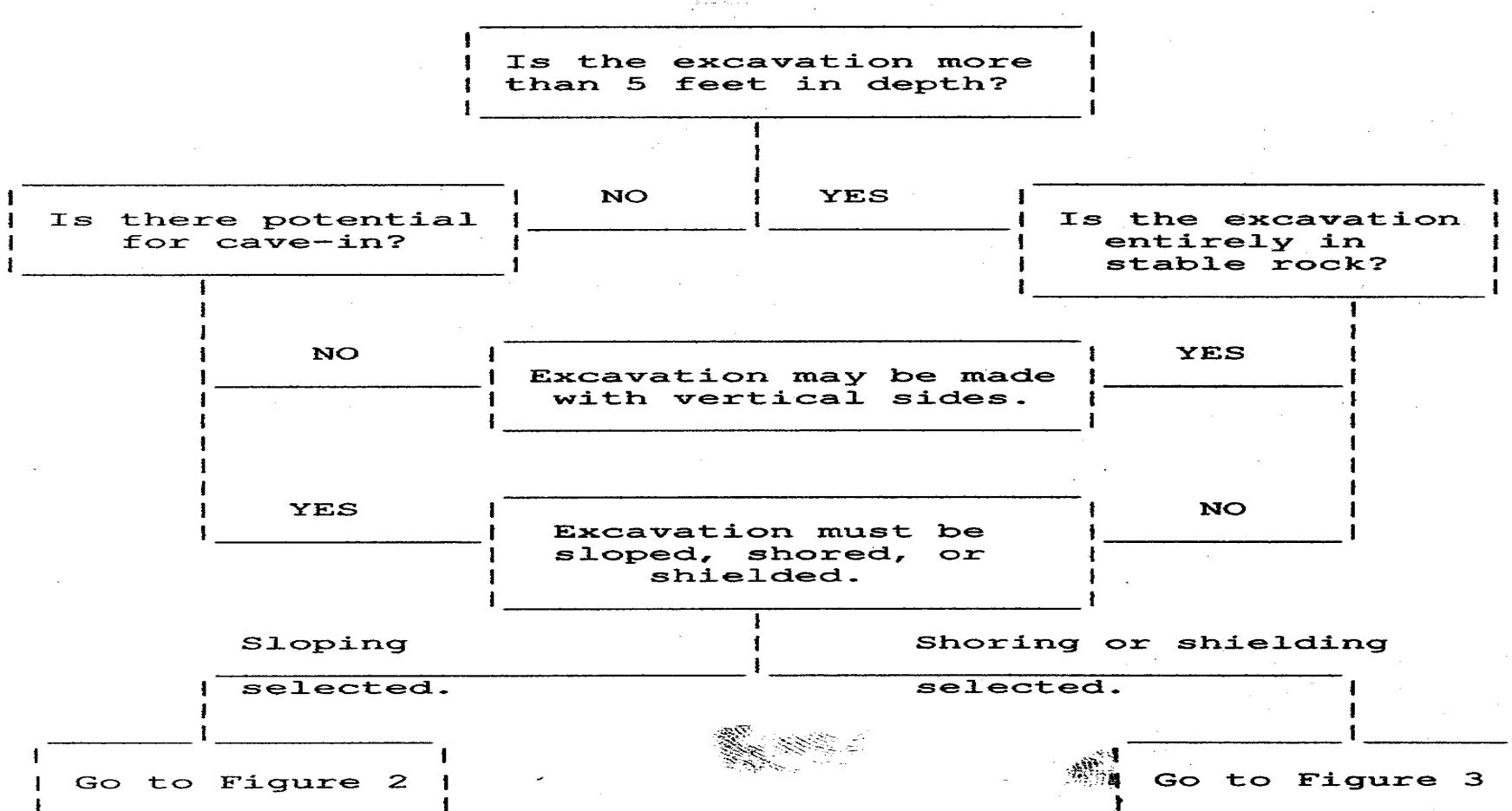


FIGURE 1 - PRELIMINARY DECISIONS

Selection of Protective Systems

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Shoring or shielding selected
as the method of protection.

Soil Classification is required
when shoring or shielding is
used. The excavation must comply
with one of the following four
options:

Option 1

Sec. 1926.652(c)(1) which requires
Appendices A and C to be followed
(e.g. timber shoring).

Option 2

Sec. 1926.652(c)(2) which requires
manufacturers data to be followed
(e.g. hydraulic shoring, trench
jacks, air shores, shields).

Option 3

Sec. 1926.652(c)(3) which requires
tabulated data (see definition) to
be followed (e.g. any system as
per the tabulated data).

Option 4

Sec. 1926.652(c)(4) which requires
the excavation to be designed by a
registered professional engineer
(e.g. any designed system).

FIGURE 3 - SHORING AND SHIELDING OPTIONS

Other Factors Influencing Cave-Ins

- ✉ Intersecting Trenches
- ✉ Previously Disturbed
- ✉ Vibration
- ✉ Surcharged Load
- ✉ Inclined Layers
- ✉ Drying / Saturation
- ✉ Free standing time

Fallacies And Misconceptions

- At what depth/width do most incidents occur
 - Between 6-8 ft deep and less than 6 ft wide
 - Most utilities found in this area



Fallacies And Misconceptions

- Most incidents occur in bad weather
 - False
 - Good weather - crews are more careful in bad weather

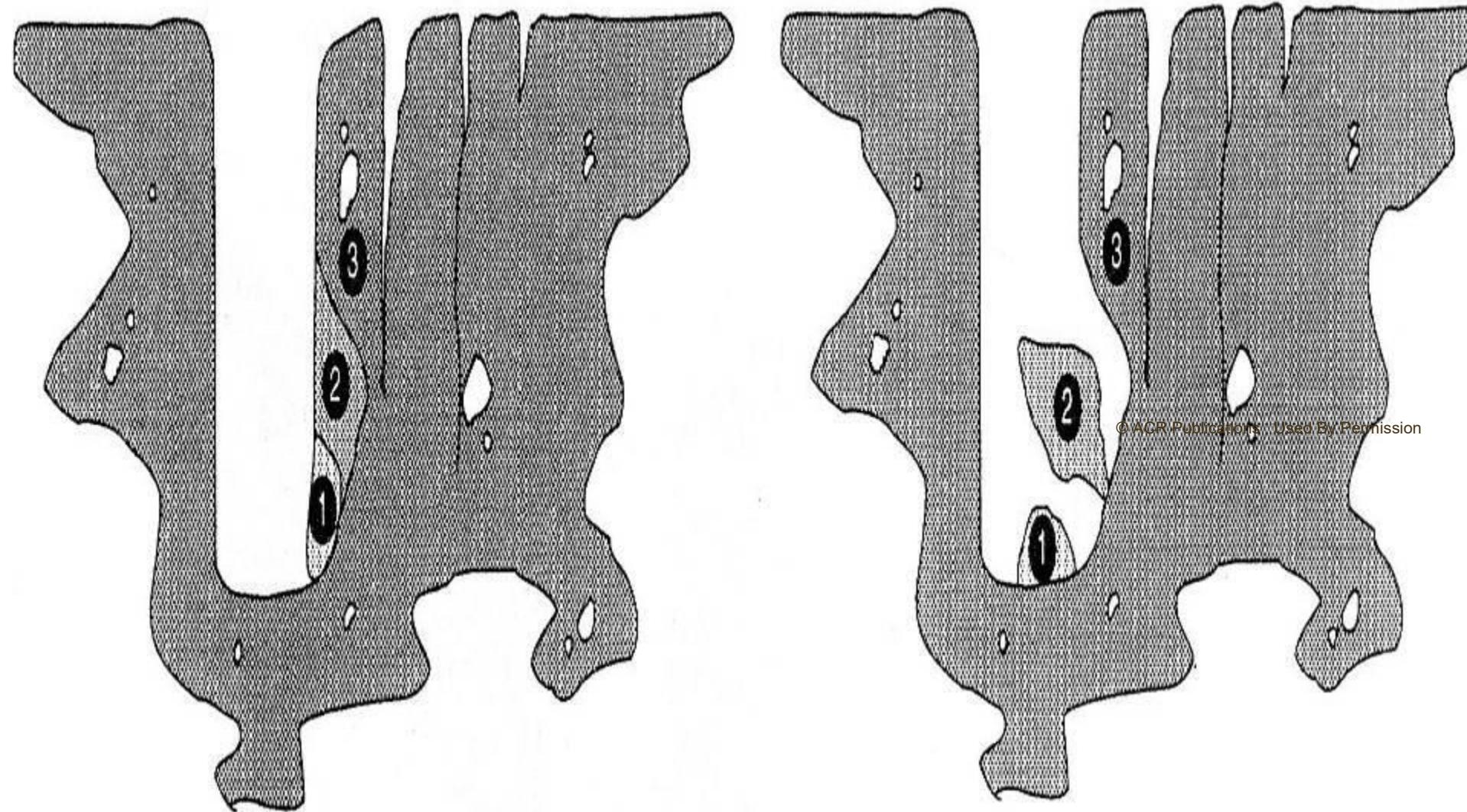


Fallacies And Misconceptions

- Clay is the least dangerous soil type
 - False
 - Clay looks strong but it is very deceptive - most fatal trench accidents occur in clay soil



THE TYPICAL CAVE-IN



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Summary

- Excavation laws, regulations, standards
- Soil classification
- Soil testing
- Competent person responsibilities
- Hazards associated with trenches
- Protective systems



KEEP THE JOB SAFE



SO *YOU CAN GO HOME SAFE!*

Safety Training for the Focus Four Hazards in the Construction Industry

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What Are the Focus Four Hazards?

Electrical Hazards



Struck-By Hazards



Caught-In- Between Hazards



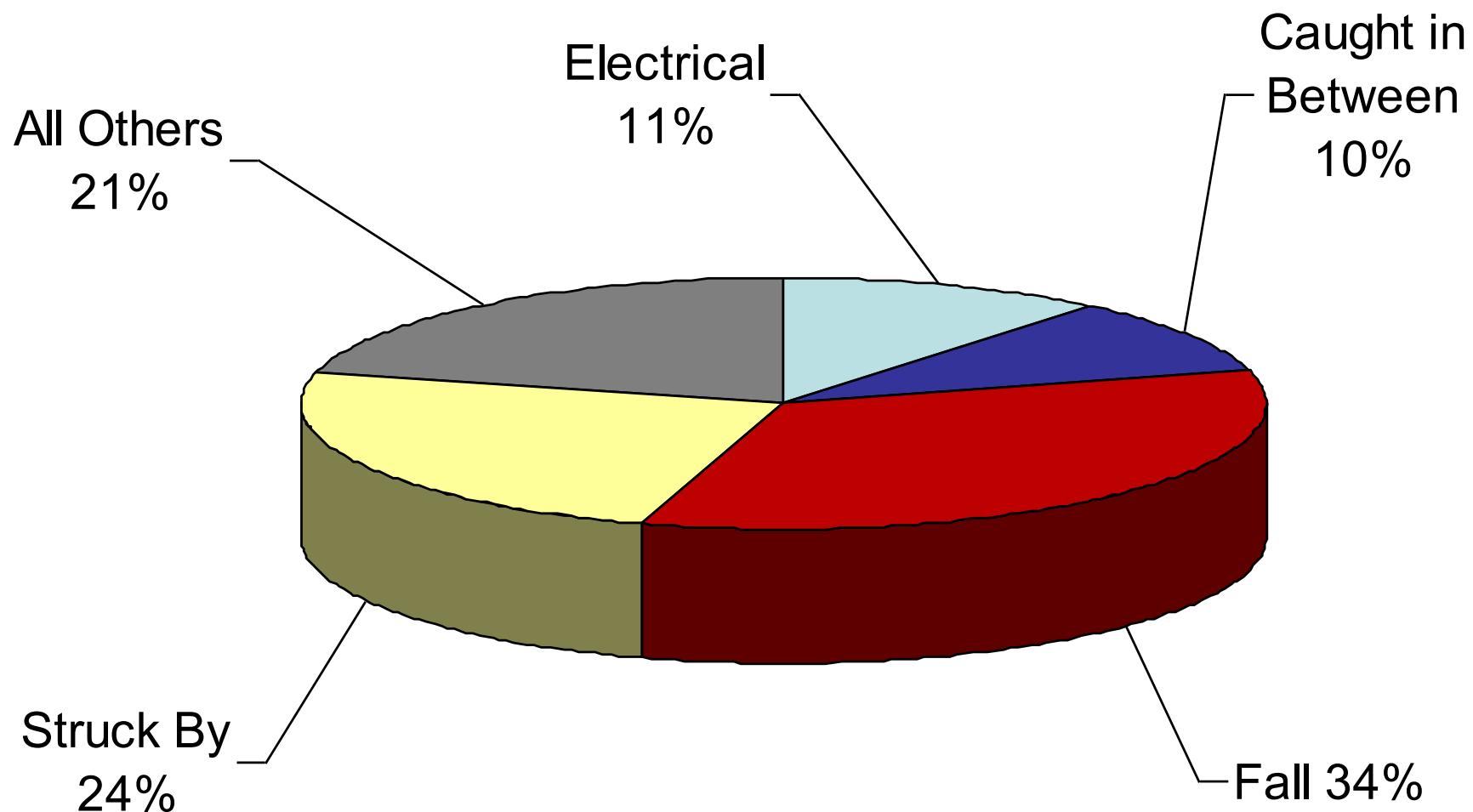
Fall Hazards



Fatality/Injury Data

Fatality Data 2003 & 2004

2355 Total Fatalities



Primary Causes of Electrocution Fatalities

- Contact with Overhead Powerlines
- Contact with Live Circuits in Panels
- Poorly Maintained Cords and Tools
- Lightning Strikes

Primary Causes of Struck-by Fatalities

- Falling Objects
 - Rigging Failure
 - Loose or Shifting Materials
 - Equipment Tipover or Malfunction
 - Lack of Overhead Protection
- Vehicle and Equipment Strikes
 - Backing Incidents
 - Workers on Foot
- Flying Objects

Primary Causes of Caught-in-Between Fatalities

- Trench/Excavation Collapse
- Rotating Equipment
- Unguarded Parts
- Equipment Rollovers
- Equipment Maintenance

Primary Causes of Fall-Related Fatalities

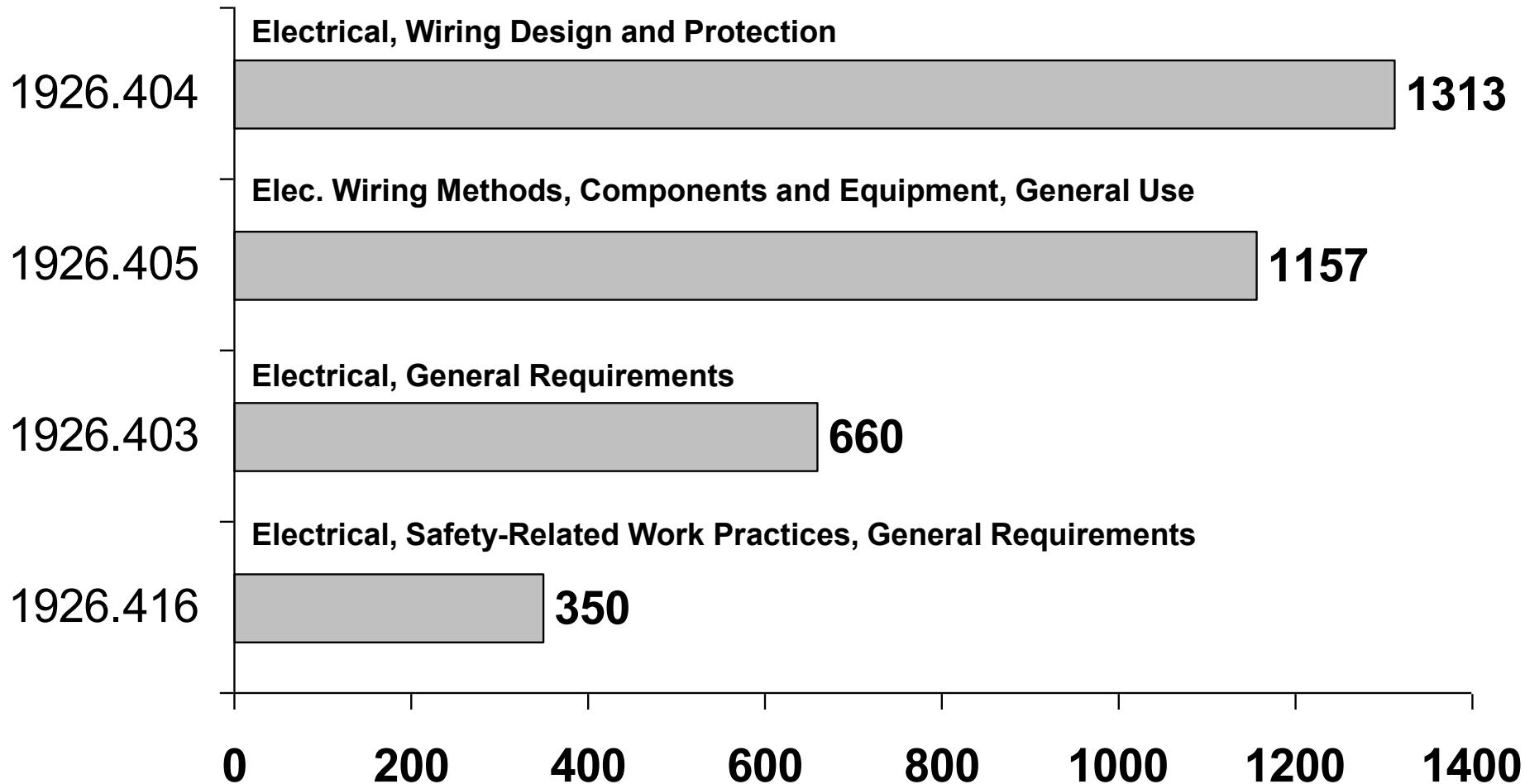
- Unprotected sides, edges and holes
- Improperly constructed walking/working surfaces
- Improper use of access equipment
- Failure to properly use PFAS
- Slips and Trips (housekeeping)

Citations

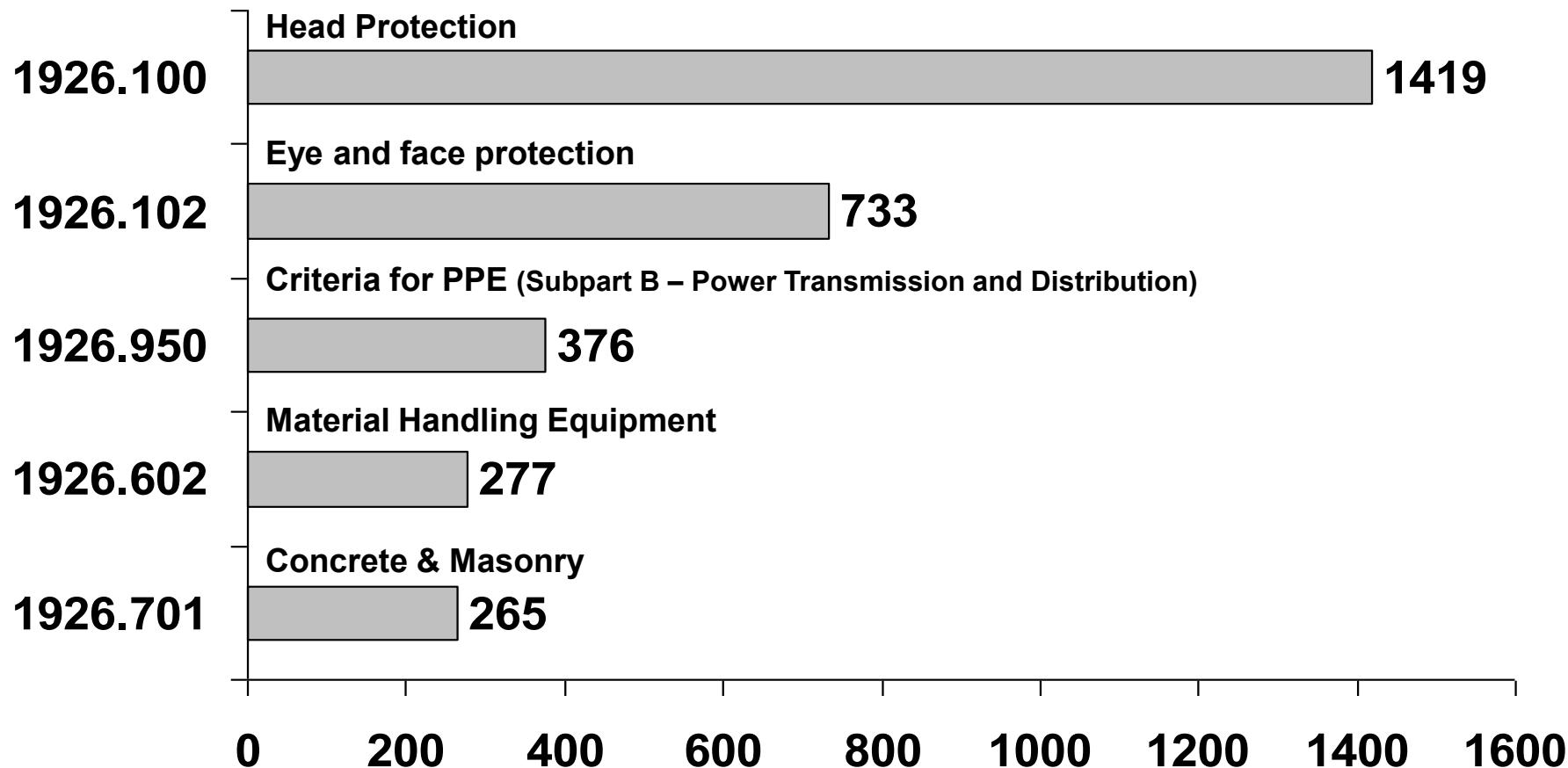
Top 10 Focus Four Citations (FY 2005)

Subpart	Citations	Total Dollar Value	Description
1926.451	8,410	\$7,682,185	Scaffolding
1926.501	5,728	\$7,176,729	Fall Protection Scope/Applications/Definitions
1926.1053	2,122	\$964,811	Ladders
1926.651	1,794	\$2,104,067	Excavations, General Requirements
1926.503	1,581	\$823,501	Fall Protection Training Requirements
1926.20	1,560	\$868,881	Construction, General Safety and Health Provisions
1926.100	1,519	\$792,414	Head Protection
1926.453	1,379	\$1,285,758	Manually Propelled Mobile Ladder Stands and Scaffolds
1926.404	1,313	\$644,886	Electrical, Wiring Design and Protection
1926.652	1,264	\$3,117,087	Excavations, Requirements for Protective Systems
1926.405	1,157	\$344,814	Elec. Wiring Methods, Components and Equip, Gen'l Use

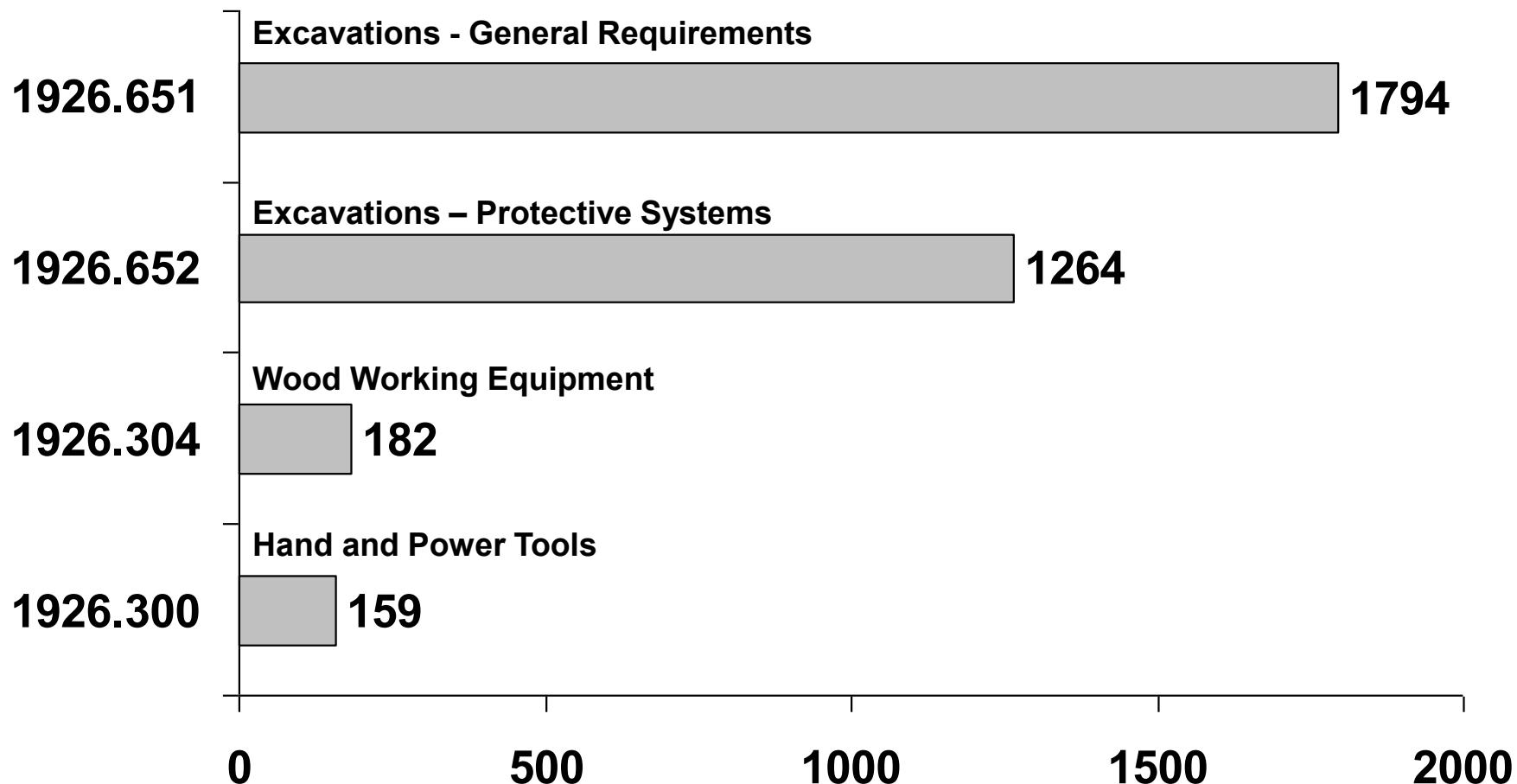
Top Electrical Citations (FY 2005)



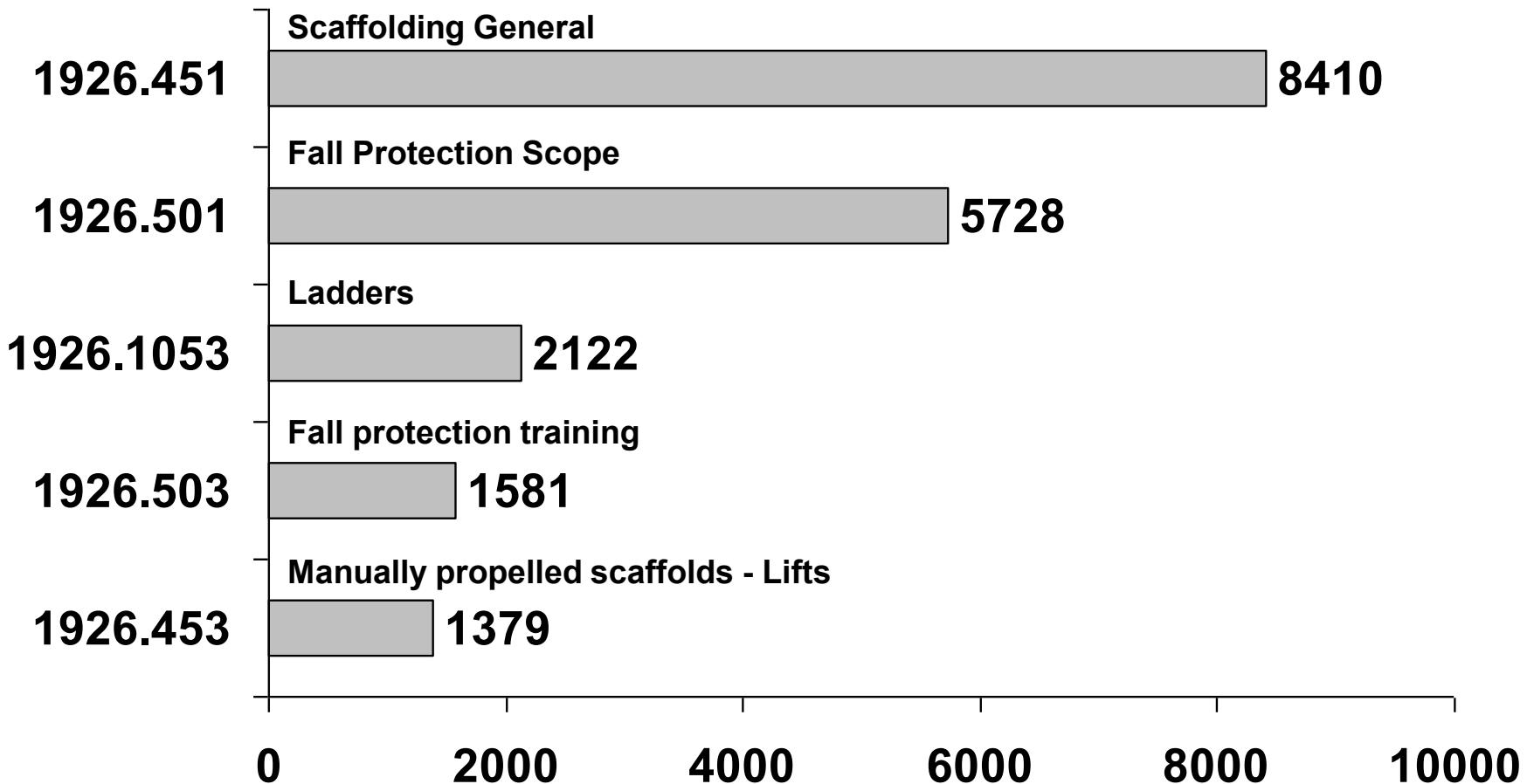
Top Struck-By Citations (FY 2005)



Top Caught-in-Between Citations (FY 2005)



Top Fall Protection Citations (FY 2005)



Fatality & Statistical Analysis

- 85% of all citations and 90% of dollars applied as fines are related to the Focus Four Hazards
- 79% of all fatalities are related to the Focus Four Hazards





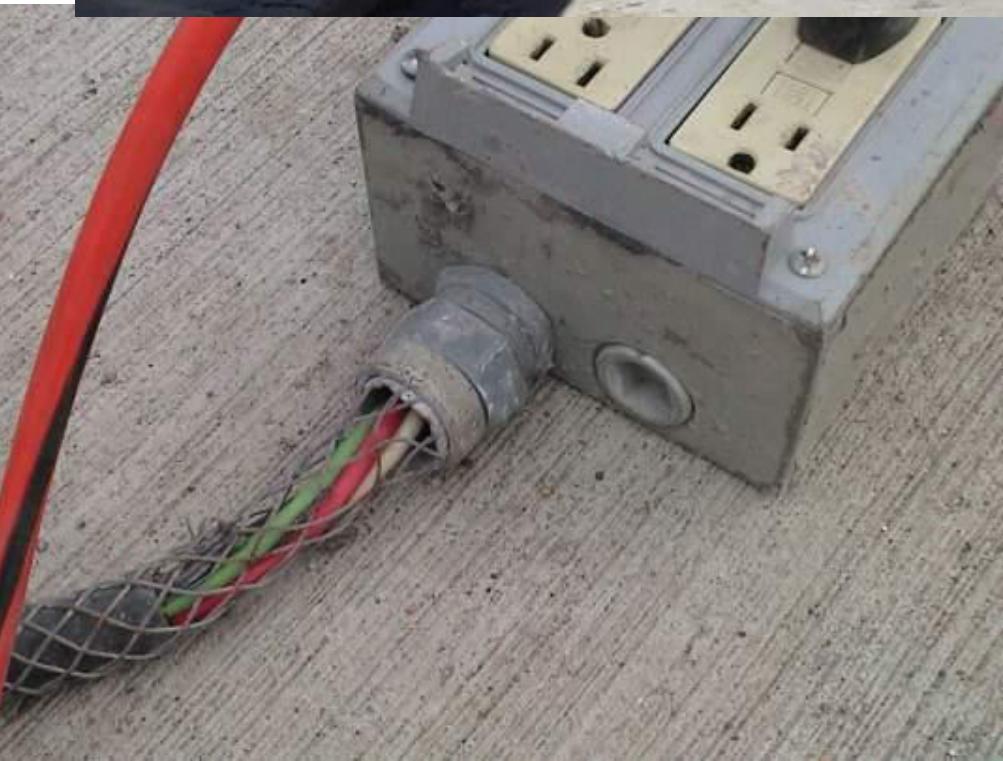
FACE

Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation Program

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- NIOSH Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation program (FACE) examples of fatalities caused by the Focus Four hazards
 - Electrocution
 - Struck-by
 - Caught-in
 - Fall

Electrical Hazards

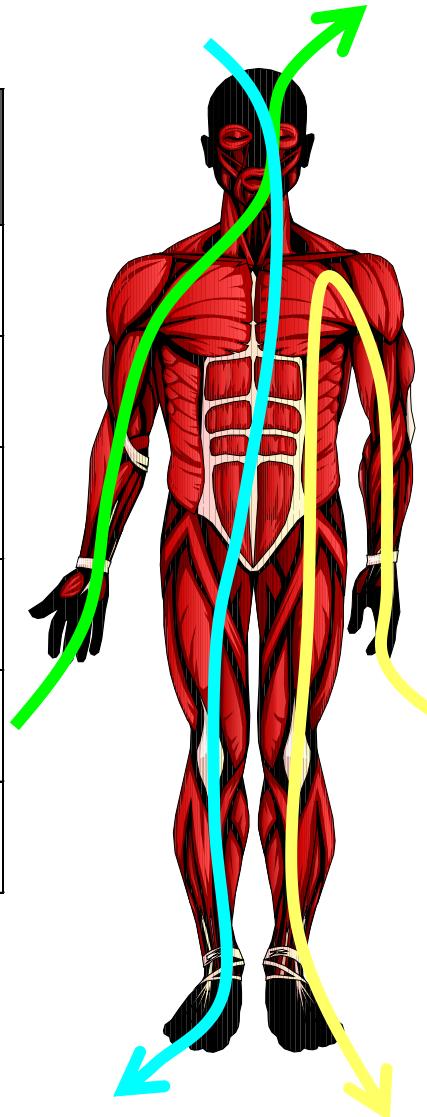


Temporary Wiring and Lighting Systems

Electrical Harm

Estimated Effects of AC Currents (U.S. Standard 60 Hz)

1 milliamp (mA)	Barely perceptible
16 mA	Maximum current an average man can grasp and “let go”
20 – 30 mA	Paralysis of respiratory muscles
100 mA	Ventricular fibrillation threshold
2 Amps	Cardiac standstill and internal organ damage
15/20/30 Amps	Common U.S. household breakers



PATH:
Harm is related to the path by which current passes through the body.

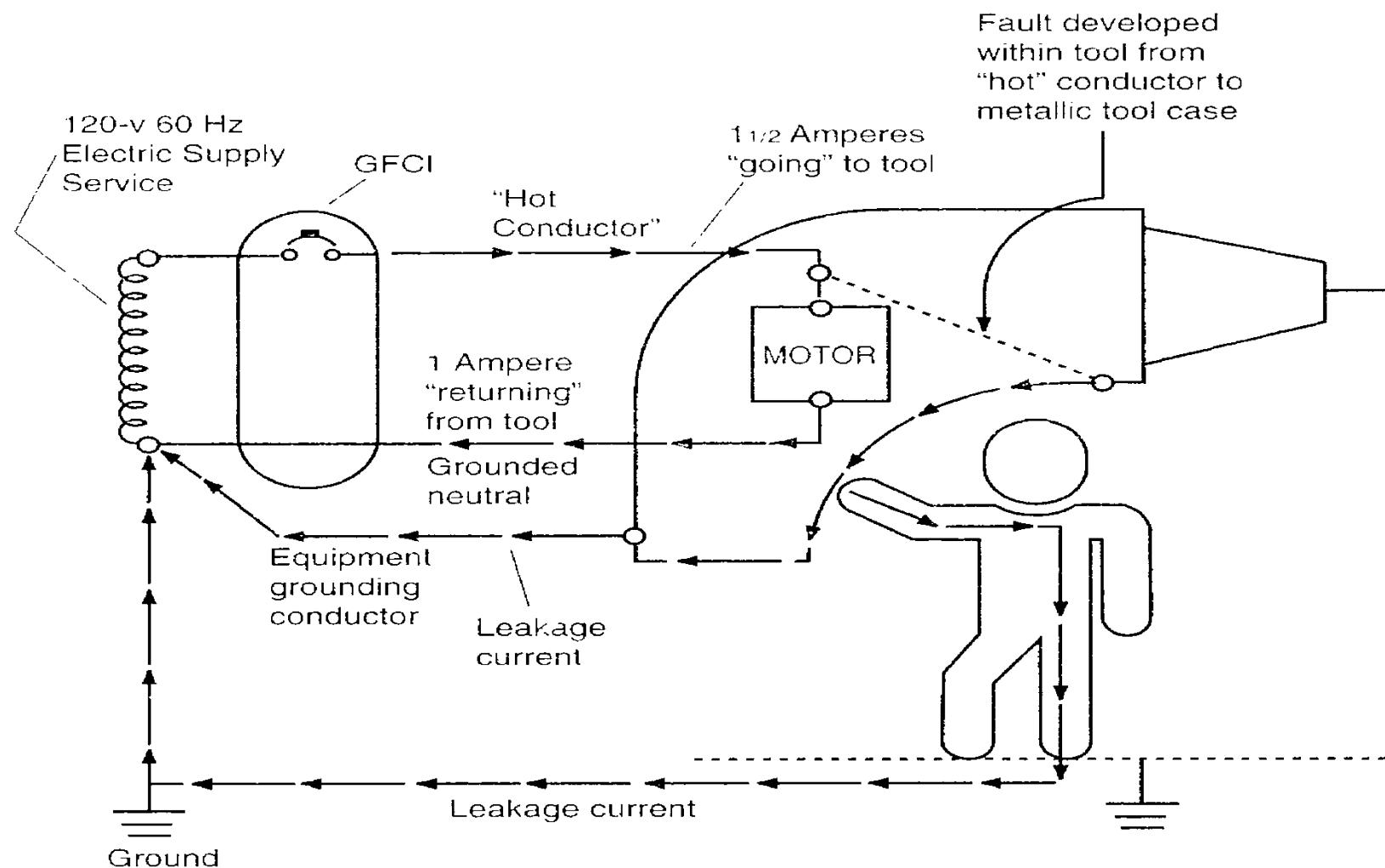
Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCI)

- Monitors current flow between the hot and neutral wires
- Trip between 4-6 mA in 1/40th of a second



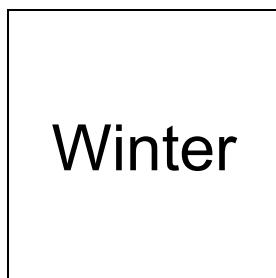
How GFCIs Work

Ground-Fault Circuit Interrupter



Assured Equipment Grounding Program

- Inspection is your primary protection
- Best practice recommends documented testing every 3 months
- Color coding most common:



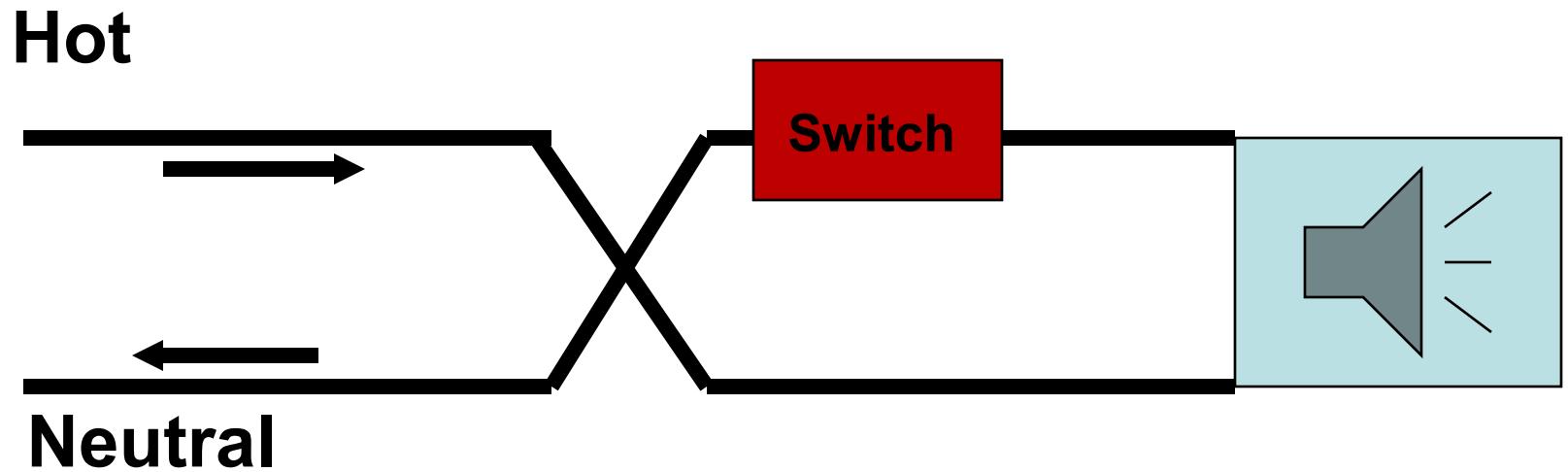
Winter

Spring

Summer

Fall

Reverse Polarity Diagram



Tool could be hot with the switch off

Reverse Polarity

- Hot wire and neutral wire are reversed
- Even though a switch is off, the circuit could be hot



Electrical Extension Cords

- The primary insulation is cut
- If the insulation was also cut on the conductors, exposing bare wires, they could come in contact with someone
- Damage is often caused by repeated stretching or being run over



Electrical

- Wiring like this must be protected in closed boxes
- There is the potential of electric shock from loose wire nuts or exposed conductors



Electrical Panel Boxes

- Live electrical panels must be completely covered with a hard cover (original intended equipment)
- Employees could be exposed to live wires around the perimeter of this box
- No Cardboard!



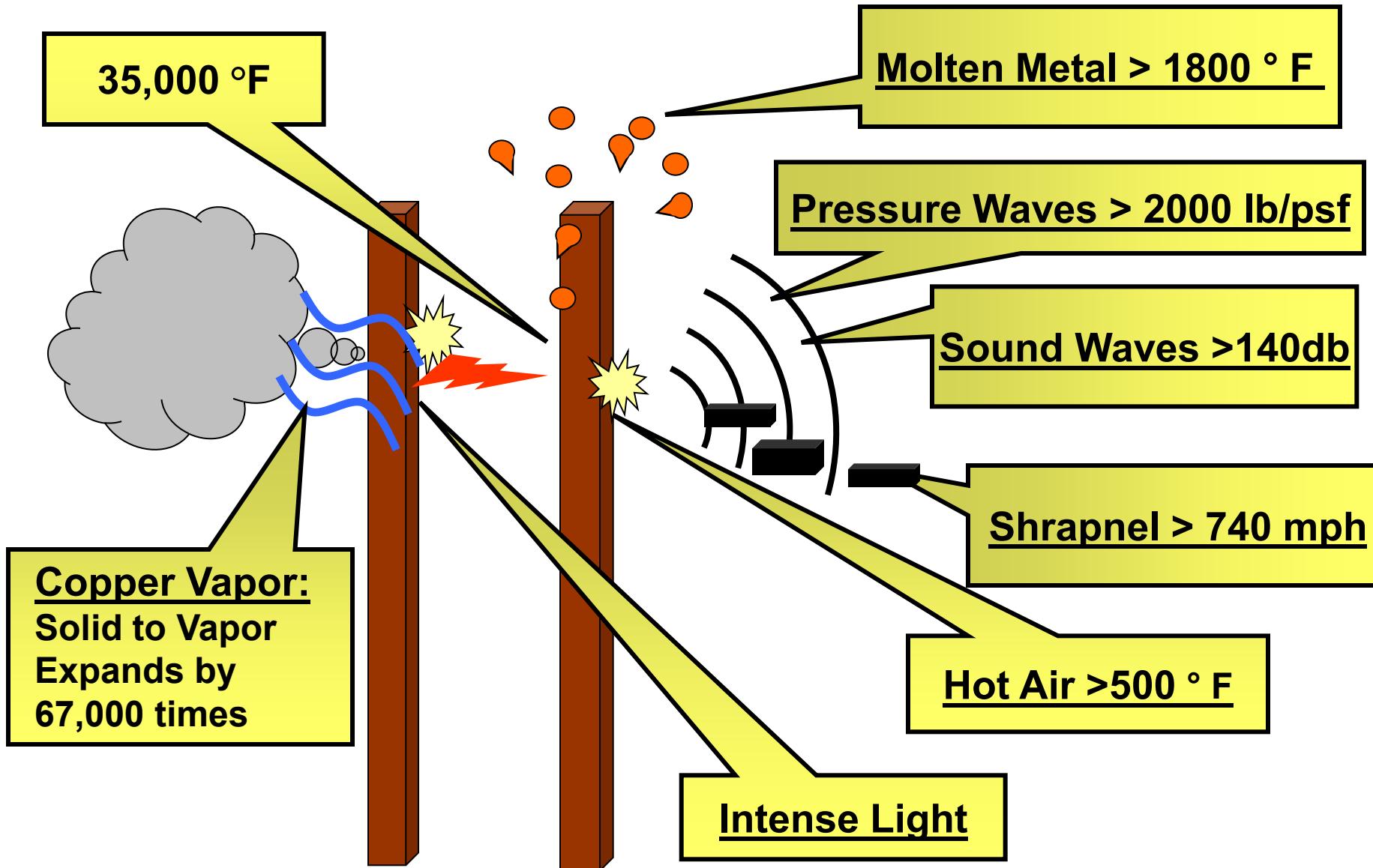
Arc Flash Prevention

An electric arc:

- Typically lasts less than a second
- Has extremely high radiant (heat) energy
- Is explosive in nature (exerts great force)
- Can ignite or melt conventional work clothing



Electrical Arc



NFPA 70E Requirements

- Arc flash boundaries must be known
- Safe approach distances established and maintained
- Marking equipment relative to hazards
- Electrically safe (voltage rated) tools
- PPE (ATPV)
- Training

The Best Way to Work on Energized Electrical Equipment?

DON'T!

- Shut it down and lock it out
- Establish an electrically safe working condition

Overhead Powerlines





19 10:33 AM

The Sad Reality



Power Line Facts

- Overhead lines are typically not insulated. Any covering is generally a weather protection, not insulation.
- Over 90 percent of the contacts occur on overhead distribution lines
- Operators are normally safe if they stay on the equipment
- Ground personnel are over 8 times more likely to be killed

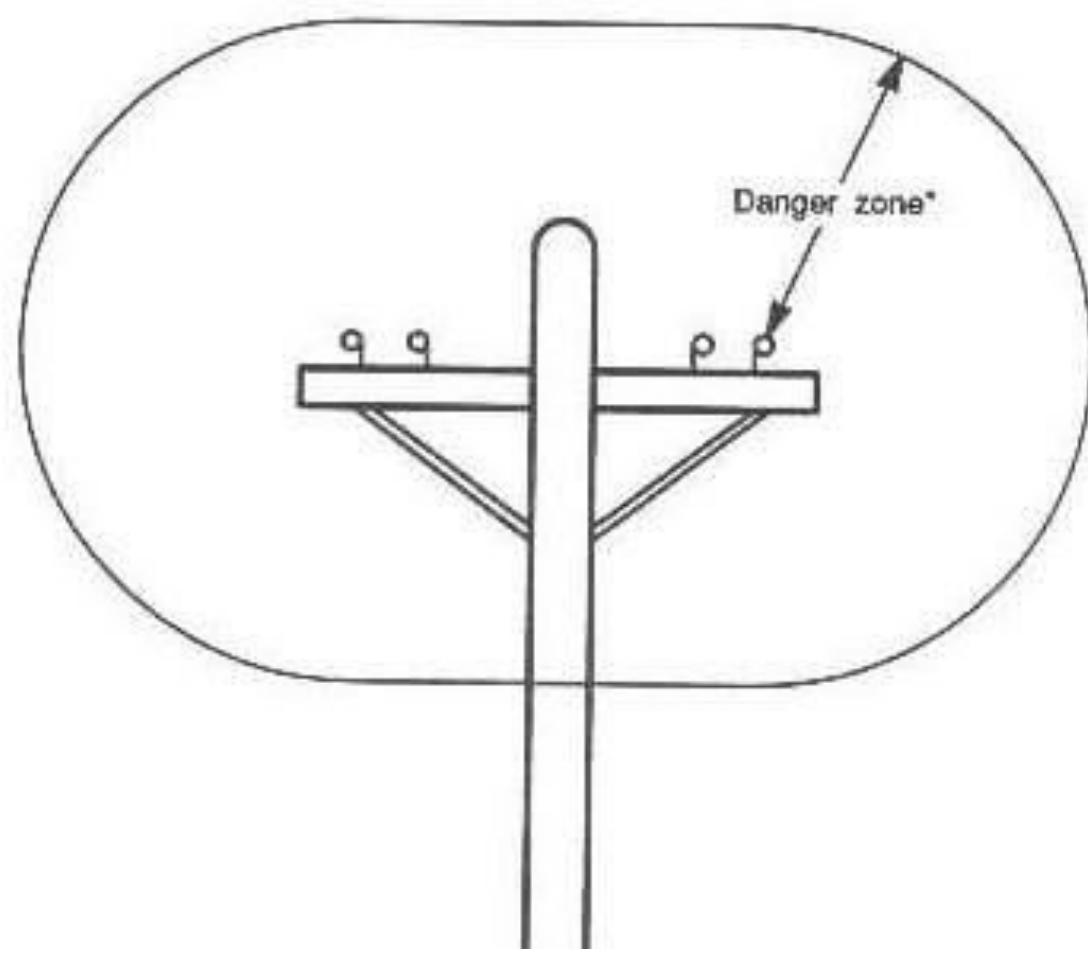
Electrical Damage to the Body

- If you touch a power line, electricity will attempt to travel through your body
- When electricity travels through the body, it heats up and burns body tissue internally
- Electricity leaves the body violently, causing burns or even blowing an exit hole



Maintain Safe Working Clearance

- All equipment – ladders, scaffolds, cranes, trucks, forklifts, etc. – MUST maintain a minimum 10 foot clearance from 50 kV or less
- Add .4 inches for every kV over 50 kV





MINIMUM 10'
Distance

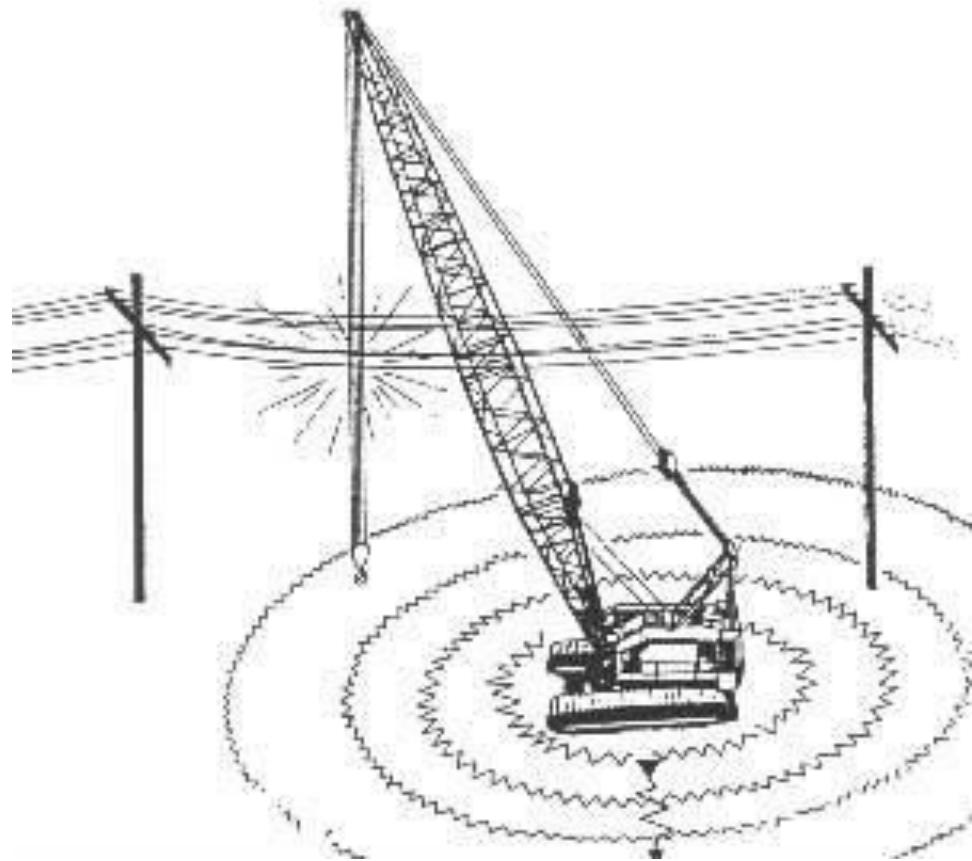
Ensure Adequate Clearance

- Install flag warnings at proper distances
- If it is difficult for an operator to see the power lines, designate a spotter
- If you cannot maintain adequate clearances, you must have the power company insulate, move or de-energize the line



The Ground May Be Hot!

- Electricity dissipates with the resistance of the ground
- As potential drops, fields develop around the electrified machine
- If you step across a line of unequal potential, you could be electrocuted



If Contact Occurs

- Stay on the machine if possible
- Warn all others to stay away
- Notify power company immediately
- Attempt to move away but assure line is not “connected”

Bail Out Procedures

- If you must get out, jump with your feet together
- Do not touch the machine
- Hop or shuffle out of the area



Incident Free

- Planning
- Training
- Inspection
- Oversight
- Lessons learned
- Re-evaluate

Struck-By Hazards



Crane Tip Over and Failure Incidents

- Soft Ground
- Inadequate outrigger support
- Overload
- Crane out of level
- Boom strike



Fatalities Handling Loads

- Struck by the load
- Rigging equipment failure
- Rigging equipment overload
- Improper rigging technique

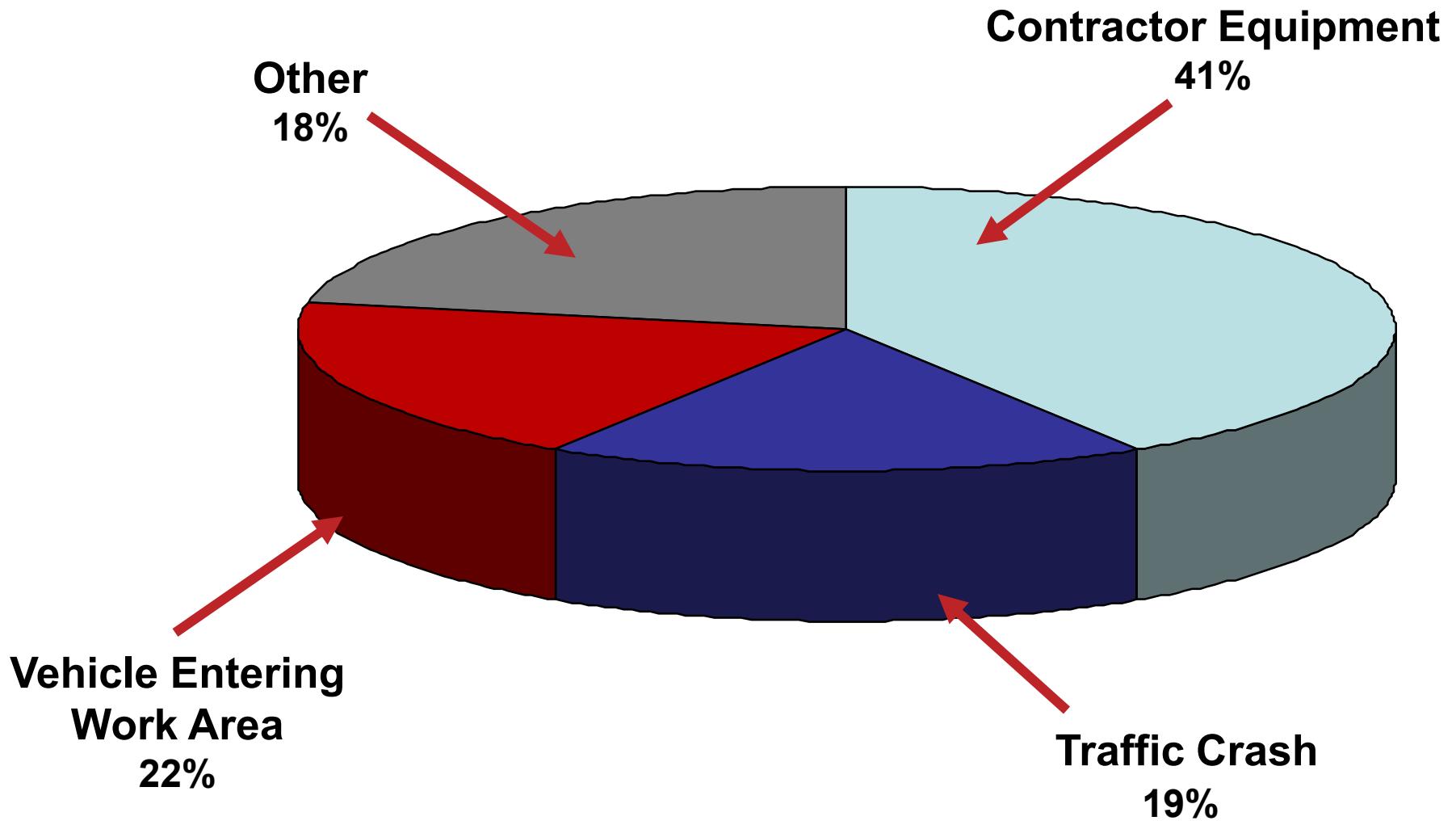


Inspect All Slings

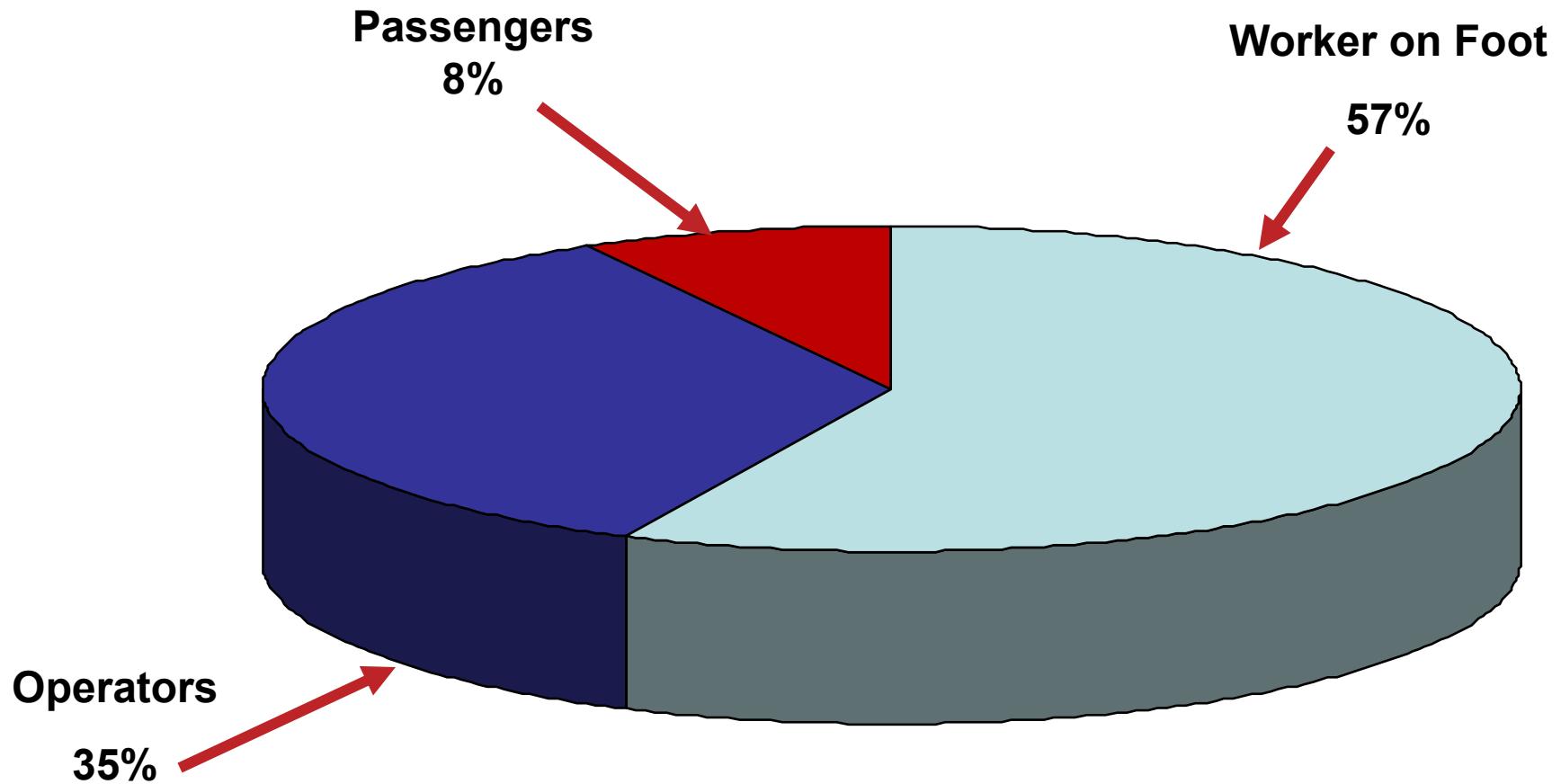
- Slings must be inspected before each use
- Slings should have tags that indicate capacities



Highway Worker Fatalities



Highway Equipment Related Fatalities



Equipment & Vehicle Hazards



Striking Workers on Foot



Poor Worker Position

- This worker is out of the driver's mirror view



Pinned In/Under Equipment

- A truck driver was working between the frame and dump box of a dump truck
- The dump box dropped suddenly, crushing his head





Equipment Does Roll Over!



Wear Your Seat Belt!

- When there is a roll-over hazard, there must be a seat belt
- Always wear the seat belt
- Only ride in the seat provided
- No riding in buckets, on fenders or on steps



Backing Equipment

- Have audible back-up alarms
- Have a spotter to direct the operator if visibility is restricted
- Keep adequate clearance behind the vehicle
- Always pay attention to backing equipment



High Visibility Clothing

- High visibility clothing refers to reflective garments that workers should wear whenever their work place contains hazards related to low visibility or when they work near vehicles or moving equipment



Loading Equipment

- Trailer secure and on a level surface
- Inspect the deck for debris, blocking or chains
- Have a spotter help properly align the equipment up the ramps
- Be sure equipment is properly secured



Maintenance Hazards



Workers under equipment that is insufficiently supported

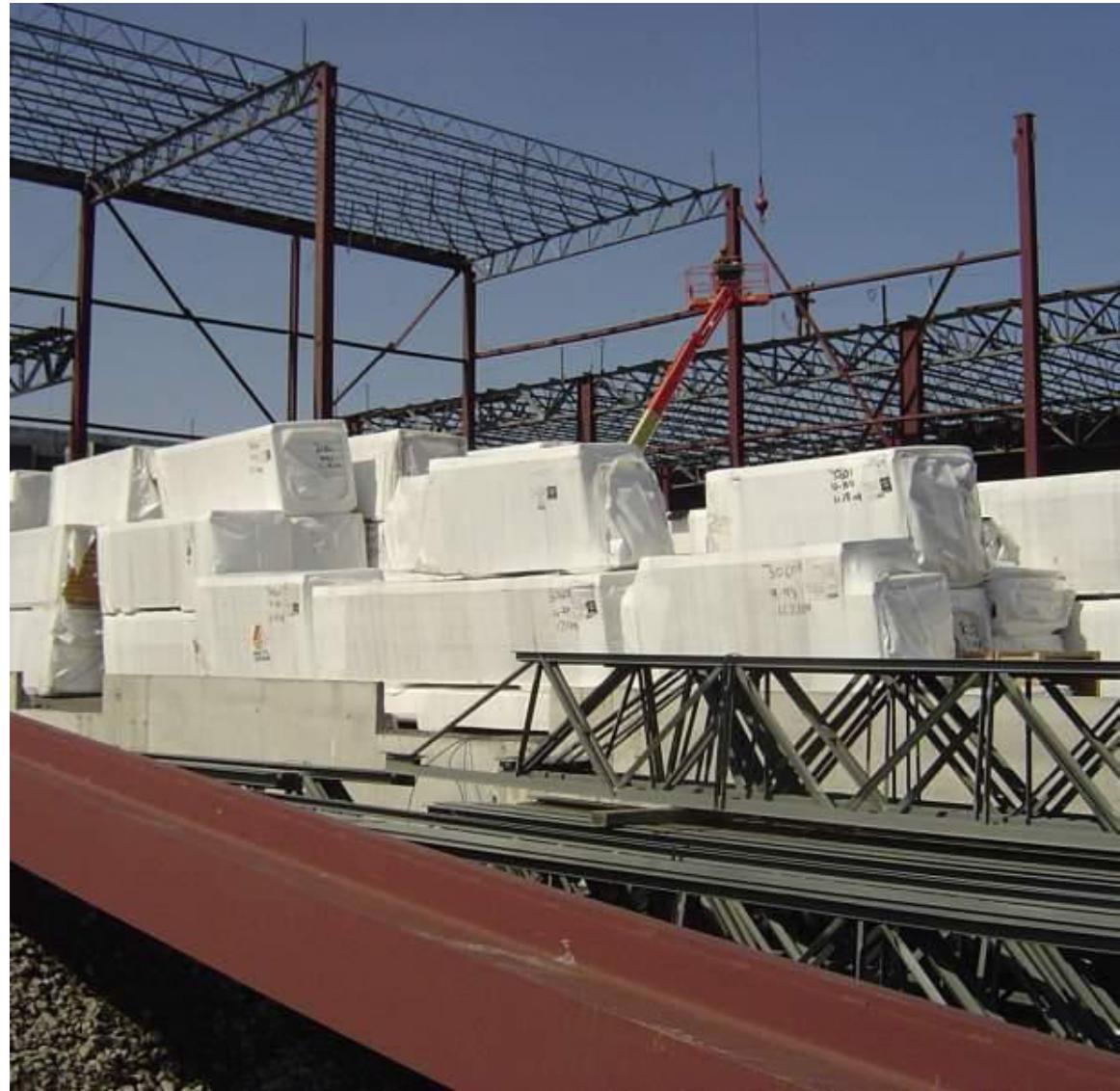


Materials Handling and Storage



Stack and Store Materials Properly

- No more than 4:1 height to base ratio
- Secure all loads
- Stack, block, and interlock
- Keep at least 6' back from edges
- Be prepared for heavy weather



Transporting & Unloading Material

- Pipes, stacks of material, etc., can roll off a truck when bindings are removed
- Unsecured material can fall from forklifts and other equipment



Pneumatic Nailers

- Penetration checks must be made
- Safety's must be operational
- All proper PPE must be worn



Powder Actuated Tools

- Never load the tool until you are ready to use it
- Always insert the fastener before cocking the tool
- Never cock the tool against the hand or point the tool at anyone
- Always check penetrations and use proper loads
- Wear appropriate PPE



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Caught in Between Hazards

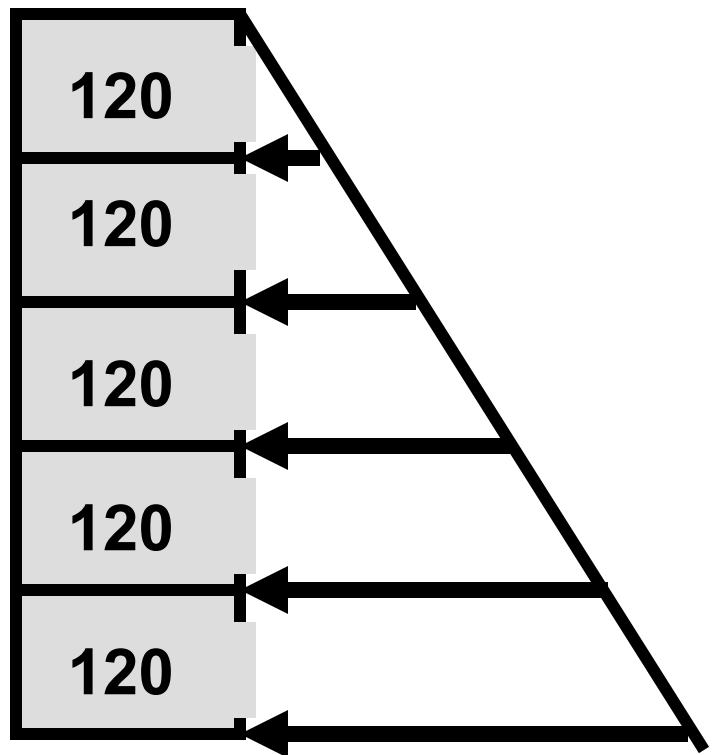


Trench & Excavation



Soil Mechanics

- Soil weighs about 100 – 140 lb/cu.ft.
- Each foot of depth adds more pressure side pressure
- Once the pressure exceeds the ability of the soil to support itself, failure is possible



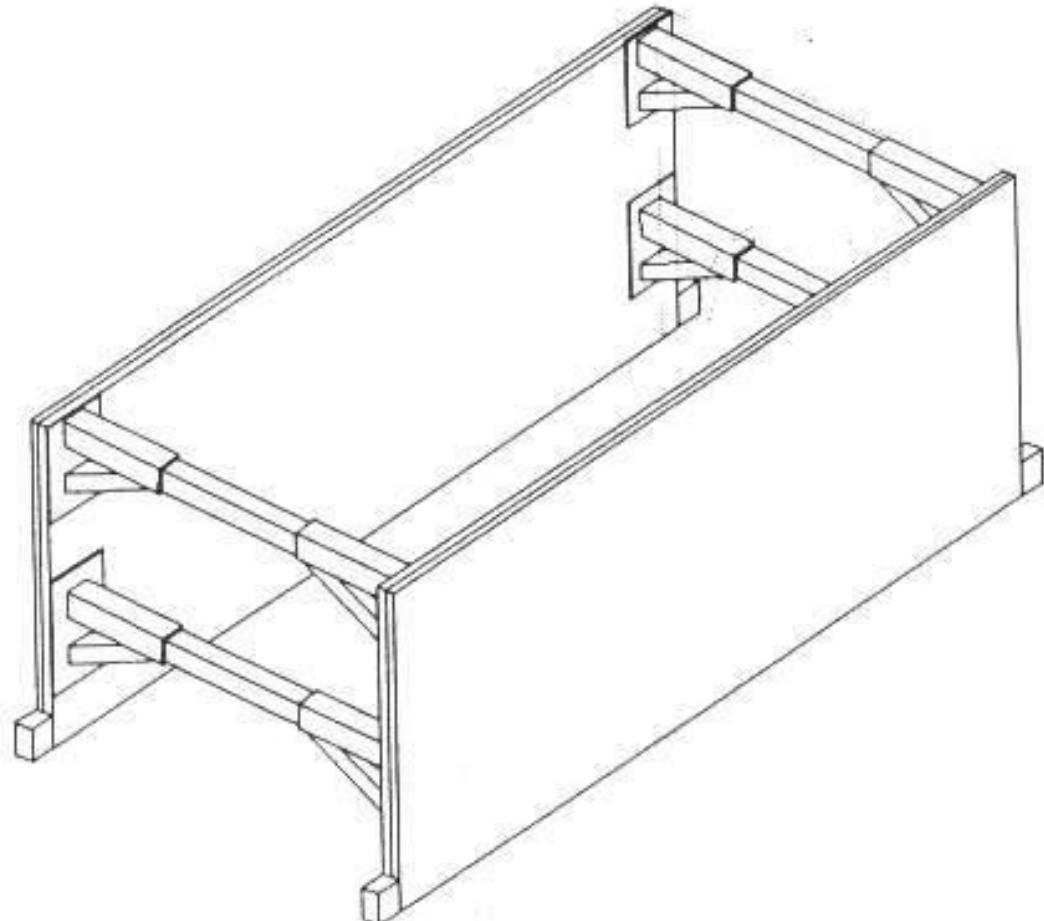
Basic Requirements

CFR 1926.650-654

- Work must be supervised by a “Competent Person”
- Protection is required over 5 feet deep or if there is a possibility of a cave-in
- Excavations must be inspected daily and/or with changes
- Access/Egress is required over 4 feet deep
- A rescue plan must be in place

Trench Shields or Boxes

- Engineered for Type C soils
- Can be used with all classes of soils
- Shields can be moved horizontally with workers inside
- Worker must stay inside shields





Barricade Excavations

- Excavations must be barricaded or marked if they are not readily visible



Utility Strikes



Rescue

- A rescue plan must be in place
- Rescue of a buried worker is a slow and tedious process



Causes of Fatalities Crushing



Caught under the truss boom during dismantling



Caught between crane and carriage

Swinging/Rotating Equipment



Barricade Swing Radius

- Barricade the swing radius
- Maintain 2' distance from fixed objects



Mechanical Moving Parts



Preventing / Controlling / Abating Maintenance Hazards

- Lockout equipment
 - Place an energy-isolating device over the energy source
 - Bleed off stored energy
 - Lock it until the repair/maintenance work is completed
- Tag out the equipment (when Lockout is not possible)
 - Place a tag over the energy source and start-up mechanisms
 - Label it with a written warning that remains in place until the work is done
 - Block disabled equipment

Machine Guarding

- Install and maintain all guards on tools and heavy equipment



Miter Saws



This guard is
bolted open

Guards must cover the blade and only
retract as the blade cuts through material.

Grinders & Abrasive Saws

- Guards must remain in place and eye protection must be worn
- Best practice is to use face shields and hearing protection



Dumping Trucks

- Stay clear of dump trucks while they are dumping
- Trucks can become unstable with the boxes raised
- Watch for spillage out of the end gates
- If an end gate chain breaks, you could be covered in material



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Fall Hazards



Roofs



Methods of Roof Fall Protection

**Guardrails
and
warning
lines**

