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SUBJECT: Local Emphasis Program for Programmed Construction Inspections

REGIONAL IDENTIFIER: Region IX

ABSTRACT

| Purpose: | This instruction transmits policies and strategies to be followed when making programmed safety and health local emphasis inspections of construction sites, including marine construction sites. |
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| References: | See paragraph III. |
| Cancellation: | This instruction cancels Region IX Enforcement Programs Notice CPL 04-00-02, dated October 1, 2014. |
| Significant Changes: | None. |
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Executive Summary

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- I. <u>Purpose</u>: This instruction transmits policies and strategies to be followed when making programmed safety and health local emphasis inspections of construction sites, including marine construction sites.
- II. <u>Scope</u>: This instruction applies to all Area Offices in Region IX.

III. <u>References</u>:

- A. OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-025, January 4, 1995, Scheduling System for Programmed Inspections
- B. OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-051, May 28, 1998, Enforcement Exemptions and Limitations under the Current Appropriations Act (Appendix A updated annually)
- C. OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-159, October 1, 2015, Field Operations Manual
- IV. Cancellation: Region IX Enforcement Programs CPL 04-00-02, dated October 1, 2014
- V. <u>Expiration</u>: This LEP will expire no later than one year from the date of implementation, unless renewed.
- VI. Definitions:
 - A. <u>Programmed Inspections</u>: Inspections of worksites which have been based upon objective or neutral selection criteria are programmed. The worksites are selected according to national scheduling plans for safety and health and special or local emphasis programs.
 - B. <u>Unprogrammed Inspections</u>: Inspections scheduled in response to alleged hazardous working conditions that have been identified at a specific worksite are unprogrammed. These types of inspections result from imminent danger situations, fatalities/catastrophes, complaints, and referrals. They also include follow-up and monitoring inspections.
- VII. <u>Action</u>: OSHA compliance personnel will ensure the procedures contained in this instruction are followed in scheduling and conducting inspections under the LEP.

VIII. Background:

A. BLS data reveals construction employment as one of the most hazardous occupations in the United States. In 2012, the total recordable injury and illness case rate for the private sector was 3.4 per 100 full-time workers, compared to 3.7

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for construction. The fatal case rate per 100,000 full-time workers in 2012 was 3.6 for all private sector employment, and 9.9 for construction.

- B. Due to the hazardous nature of construction employment, OSHA has identified this industry as an objective in its Strategic Management Plan.
- C. Construction is particularly hazardous and difficult to schedule due to the temporary nature of the worksites.

IX. Procedures:

- A. <u>Unprogrammed Inspections</u>
 - 1. Unprogrammed construction inspections will be inspected in the following priority:
 - a. Imminent Danger Situations
 - b. Fatality/Catastrophe Investigations
 - c. Complaint/Referral Investigations
 - 2. Self-referrals will be conducted only with prior notification of the Area Director or Team Leader, unless an imminent danger situation is observed. The AD will be notified of the imminent danger situation as soon as possible.
 - 3. Based on observed site conditions, a determination of whether to expand the inspection will be made by the CSHO.
- B. Programmed Inspections
 - 1. This instruction will be used for scheduling all programmed construction inspections in Region IX.
 - 2. Due to the mobility of employers in the construction industry, the transitory nature of construction sites, and the fact that sites often involve more than one employer, inspections shall be scheduled from a list of worksites rather than employers. Note: Scheduling of construction equipment yards will be under general schedule lists.
 - 3. It is anticipated that each Area Office will schedule construction inspections in each fiscal year, based on staff and travel budget availability.

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4. Worksite/Project Identification: Once per quarter, the Area Directors will identify construction worksites/projects in the Area Office's jurisdiction. OSHA will use the best available sources including: commerce directories, commercial telephone listings, local permits, contractual schedules with Dodge Reports, University of Tennessee reports, the C-Target scheduling system, and local knowledge. OSHA may augment this identification process with field surveys.

C-Target lists should be run monthly, but the sites identified may not be imminently active. ADs should incorporate these sites into the quarterly lists as appropriate, based on expected levels of activity for these projects.

- 5. Worksite/Project Selection and Scheduling
 - a. At the beginning of each quarter, each Area Director will determine how many construction inspections are planned during the quarter. The number of programmed inspections will depend on factors such as program priorities, staff availability, and travel budget.
 - b. The Area Director will create a randomly numbered list of all available worksites. Worksites shall be randomly ordered using the RANDBETWEEN function in Excel. ADs may also send their lists to EP for randomization.
 - c. If the number of sites determined is the same or greater than the number of worksites/projects on the scheduling list, all worksites on the list will be scheduled for inspection during that quarter.
 - d. If the number of sites available exceeds the number determined, the AD will create a scheduling cycle by choosing a number of worksites from the top of the randomized list that will match the number of construction inspections planned for that quarter.
 - e. Once the cycle has been selected, the AD may schedule inspections in any order depending on personnel and travel budget availability.
 - f. Construction worksites identified will be inspected only once during each quarter, except for unprogrammed activity such as imminent danger situation, accidents, complaints, referrals, and follow-up inspections.
 - g. It is important that the number of worksites requested by the AD is subsequently inspected. If a large number remain uninspected, the

AD should either increase their resource commitment or lower the requested number of worksites in the next quarter.

- h. All quarterly lists and cycles, including additions and deletions, shall be filed electronically on the regional shared drive.
- 6. Deletions from the Programmed Inspection Lists: Deletions from the worksites/projects list will be made in the following circumstances, and shall be documented on the master list in the shared drive:
 - a. There is little or no activity at a worksite.
 - b. During the current quarter, a substantially complete inspection has been conducted as a result of an unprogrammed activity (i.e., complaint).
 - c. The worksite/project has been approved for exemption from inspection through consultation or participation in the voluntary protection program.
- C. Inspection Limitations
 - 1. All Inspections:
 - a. When an on-site employer is inspected and there are items at that worksite that are under contest, or with an abatement date that is still open, those items shall be excluded from the scope of the inspection, unless monitoring of abatement is required (e.g., pursuant to a settlement agreement), or a potential imminent danger is involved. However, all other contractors without an open contested case at the site shall be inspected.
 - b. When the general contractor has invited on-site consultation, and the consultant is on-site, no inspection shall be conducted, unless a fatality, follow-up, imminent danger, complaint, or referral inspection is to be conducted. These inspections shall be limited to the subject items.
 - c. After the NAICS code for an employer is obtained, compare the number with the NAICS codes listed in Appendix A to CPL 02-00-051, Enforcement Exemptions and Limitations Under the Current Appropriations Act. In some cases, an employer with 10 or fewer employees may be exempt from an OSHA programmed safety inspection.

- 2. Unprogrammed Inspections: Limit the inspection to the items in the complaint, referral, or other unprogrammed issue, unless the compliance officer determines a cause to expand the inspection. Expansion of the inspection must receive concurrence of the Area Director.
- 3. Programmed Inspections Focus of Inspections:
 - a. Although programmed inspections may be comprehensive, primary inspection efforts should be placed on significant hazards that are likely to cause death or serious injury. Typically this includes fall hazards, electrical hazards that would lead to electrocution, trenching hazards, crushing or vehicular hazards.
 - b. Employers with defined safety and health programs will qualify for and be coded as a "focused" inspection. Refer to Section X of this LEP.
- 4. As appropriate, when a CSHO identifies a site where employees are not exposed to hazards, the CSHO shall provide the employer's on-site representatives with appropriate training and outreach materials which address potential hazards at construction sites. This action shall be entered in OIS as a Compliance Assistance activity.
- D. Construction Companies that Provide Employee Housing:

Temporary labor barracks associated with the construction worksite/project will be referred for separate scheduling, unless otherwise directed by the AD.

- E. <u>Re-inspection</u>:
 - 1. Any company at any worksite that has been inspected based on this LEP may be subject to re-inspection.
 - a. Re-inspection may be based on unprogrammed events such as fatalities, catastrophes, complaints, referrals, and follow-up inspections. Inspections in these categories will be scheduled for inspection in accordance with existing procedures outlined in the Field Operations Manual, OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-159.
 - b. Re-inspection may also occur on a quarterly basis because the mechanism of identifying worksites/ projects within an AO jurisdiction is repeated. Therefore, if a worksite/project is still active, the location may be subject to another inspection.

c. Re-inspection may also occur based on the need to verify abatement per the Abatement Verification Standard (29 CFR 1903.19).

X. <u>Recording in OIS</u>:

In addition to recording information and entering data in OIS in accordance with all other relevant instructions and directives, for all construction inspections (programmed and unprogrammed) the following specific coding instructions apply:

A. <u>Inspection Type:</u> Local Emphasis Program code = **PROGCON**

NOTE: Please remember to code ALL inspections done in the construction industry with the PROGCON code in the LEP field, whether or not these inspections are done as programmed inspections under the Local Emphasis Program. All programmed and unprogrammed inspections of construction sites should be coded in this way to facilitate data retrieval.

For inspections conducted under this LEP, or unprogrammed construction inspections, the PROGCON code shall be entered as the primary emphasis code. Other applicable LEP or NEP codes may be entered as non-primary codes.

B. Additional Codes:

R 05 [Location]

A specific location should also be entered in the optional information field. See Appendix A for a list of locations (note: the location should be entered exactly as it is listed in Appendix A; if no location is applicable for an inspection, do not create an R 05 location entry for that OSHA-1).

For focused construction inspections construction inspections:

N 14 FOCUS, C [total # of contractors on site] should be entered on OSHA-1s for the controlling contractor (the total number of contractors entered here should include the controlling or general contractor, plus all sub-contractors on the site).

N 14 FOCUS, S should be entered on OSHA-1s for all subcontractors on focused construction inspections.

C. Strategic Plan Codes:

Strategic Plan codes, including but not limited to AMPUTATIONS, COMMERCIAL CONSTR, ELECTRICAL, FALL FROM HEIGHT, HWY STREET BRIDGE CONSTR, LEAD, NOISE, POWERED IND VEHICLE,

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RESIDENTIAL CONSTR, STRUCK-BY and TRENCHING should be entered where applicable.

D. Programmed vs. Unprogrammed:

Sites which have been previously added to a scheduling list will be coded as programmed inspections. Self-referrals will be coded as unprogrammed activities. Referrals of current activity from other entities (base safety offices, tribal safety managers, etc.) will be coded as unprogrammed; notifications from these entities of upcoming projects will be added to the scheduling lists and coded as programmed.

XI. Evaluation:

The Regional Administrator will direct staff to evaluate the LEP in accordance with the guidelines in Appendix A of CPL 04-00-001, November 10, 1999, Procedures for Approval of Local Emphasis Programs and Experimental Programs.

- A. For LEPs which have been renewed from a previous year, the evaluation will use data for the period covering from the beginning of the 4th quarter of the previous fiscal year through the end of the 3rd quarter of the current fiscal year (i.e., the FY16 LEP evaluation will include data from July 1, 2015 June 30, 2016). Narrative sections of the evaluation should cover the same time frame, although significant issues arising in the 4th quarter, which may affect a decision on renewal of the LEP, may also be discussed.
- B. This evaluation shall be submitted to the Regional Administrator for review by November 1, at which time a decision will be made to renew or discontinue the LEP. On the approval of the Regional Administrator, the evaluation report shall be submitted to the Directorate of Enforcement Programs and the Directorate of Construction no later than November 30.

XII. Outreach:

The Assistant Regional Administrator for Cooperative and State Programs and the Assistant Regional Administrator for Enforcement Programs will ensure the Area Directors and all Outreach staff are familiar with this directive and actively promote the LEP when conducting outreach sessions and meetings. Hazards, work practices, and machinery associated with the construction industry and covered by this LEP will be pointed out and discussed during outreach sessions and meetings. Handouts and publications that address these hazards, which are already developed and available, will be provided at outreach sessions and meetings. A copy of this LEP will be provided to interested parties upon request.

Appendix A: Locations

The following list contains specific locations to be used in the OSHA-1 Optional Information field (Field 42). Be sure to enter each location as shown in this Appendix, using all capital letters, to allow for consistent data retrieval:

Indian Lands

AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS AK CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY ALTURAS RANCHERIA AUBURN INDIAN COMMUNITY AUGUSTINE RESERVATION BARONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS BATTLE MOUNTAIN BAND COUNCIL BEAR RIVER BAND OF THE ROHNERVILLE RANCHERIA BEPTOH PAIUTE RESERVATION BERRY CREEK RANCHERIA **BIG LAGOON RANCHERIA BIG PINE RESERVATION BIG SANDY RANCHERIA BIG VALLEY RANCHERIA BISHOP RESERVATION** BLUE LAKE RANCHERIA BRIDGEPORT INDIAN COLONY BUENA VISTA RANCHERIA CABAZON RESERVATION CAHUILLA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS CALIFORNIA VALLEY MIWOK TRIBE CAMPO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS CEDARVILLE RANCHERIA CHEMEHUEVI RESERVATION CHICKEN RANCH RANCHERIA CLOVERDALE RANCHERIA COCOPAH TRIBE COLD SPRINGS RANCHERIA COLORADO RIVER TRIBE COLUSA RANCHERIA CORTINA RANCHERIA

COYOTE VALLEY RESERVATION CUYAPAIPE BAND OF MISSION INDIANS DRY CREEK RANCHERIA DUCKWATER SHOSHONE TRIBE ELEM INDIAN COLONY ELK VALLEY RANCHERIA ELKO BAND COUNCIL ELY SHOSHONE TRIBE ENTERPRISE RANCHERIA EWIIAAPAAYP INDIAN BAND FALLON BUSINESS COUNCIL FORT BIDWELL FORT INDEPENDENCE RESERVATION FORT MCDERMITT TRIBAL COUNCIL FORT MCDOWELL YAVAPAI NATION FORT MOHAVE RESERVATION GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY GRATON RANCHERIA GREENVILLE RANCHERIA GRINDSTONE CREEK RANCHERIA **GUIDIVILLE RANCHERIA** HAVASUPAI TRIBE HOOPA VALLEY RESERVATION HOPI TRIBE HOPLAND RANCHERIA HUALAPAI TRIBE INAJA-COSMIT RESERVATION IONE BAND OF MIWOK INDIANS JACKSON RANCHERIA JAMUL INDIAN VILLAGE KAIBAB BAND OF PAIUTE INDIANS KARUK TRIBE OF CALIFORNIA LAJOLLA LUISENO INDIANS RESERVATION

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LAPOSTA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS LAS VEGAS TRIBE LAYTONVILLE RANCHERIA LONE PINE RESERVATION LOS COYOTES RESERVATION LOVELOCK TRIBAL COUNCIL LOWER LAKE RANCHERIA LYTTON RANCHERIA MANCHESTER-POINT ARENA RANCHERIA MANZANITA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS MECHOOPDA INDIAN TRIBE OF THE CHICO RANCHERIA MESA GRANDE BAND OF MISSION INDIANS MIDDLETOWN RANCHERIA MOAPA BUSINESS COUNCIL MOORTOWN RANCHERIA MORONGO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS NAVAJO GENERATING STATION NAVAJO NATION - CHINILE NAVAJO NATION - KAIBETO NAVAJO NATION - KAYENTA NAVAJO NATION - LEUPP NAVAJO NATION - MANNY FARMS NAVAJO NATION - NEW LANDS NAVAJO NATION - TUBA CITY NAVAJO NATION - WINDOW ROCK/FORT DEFIANCE NAVAJO NATION - OTHER NORTH FORK RANCHERIA PALA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS PASCUA YAQUI TRIBE PASKENTA BAND OF NOMELAKI INDIANS PAUMA/YUIMA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS PECHANGA BAND OF LUISENO INDIANS PICAYUNE RANCHERIA OF CHUKCHANSI INDIANS PINOLEVILLE RANCHERIA PIT RIVER TRIBE POTTER VALLEY RANCHERIA PRESIDIO TRUST CORPORATION PYRAMID LAKE TRIBAL COUNCIL **QUARTZ VALLEY RESERVATION QUECHAN TRIBE**

RAMONA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS **REDDING RANCHERIA** REDWOOD VALLEY RANCHERIA RENO SPARKS TRIBAL COUNCIL RESIGHINI RANCHERIA RINCON BAND OF MISSION INDIANS **ROBINSON RANCHERIA** ROUND VALLEY RANCHERIA RUMSEY RANCHERIA SALT RIVER PIMA - MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE SAN JUAN SOUTHERN PAIUTE TRIBE SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS SAN PASQUAL BAND OF DIEGUENO INDIANS SANTA ROSA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS SANTA ROSA RANCHERIA SANTA YNEZ BAND OF MISSION INDIANS SANTA YSABEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS SCOTTS VALLEY RANCHERIA SHEEP RANCH RANCHERIA SHERWOOD VALLEY RANCHERIA SHINGLE SPRINGS RANCHERIA SHOSHONE PAIUTE BUSINESS COUNCIL SMITH RIVER RANCHERIA SOBOBA BAND OF LUISENO INDIANS SOUTH FORK BAND COUNCIL STEWARTS POINT RANCHERIA SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE COUNCIL SUSANVILLE RANCHERIA SYCUAN RESERVATION TABLE BLUFF RESERVATION TABLE MOUNTAIN RANCHERIA TE-MOAK TRIBE OF WESTERN SHOSHONE TIMBI-SHA SHOSHONE TRIBE TOHONO O ODHAM NATION (please do not use the ' in this tribe's name, OIS will not accept it) TONTO APACHE TRIBE TORREZ-MARTINEZ DESERT CAHUILLA RESERVATION TRINIDAD RANCHERIA TULE RIVER RESERVATION

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TUOLOMNE RANCHERIA

TWENTYNINE PALMS BAND OF MISSION INDIANS

UPPER LAKE RANCHERIA

VIEJAS (BARON LONG) RESERVATION

WALKER RIVER TRIBAL COUNCIL

WASHOE TRIBAL COUNCIL

WELLS BAND COUNCIL

WHITE MOUNTAIN TRIBE

WINNEMUCCA TRIBAL COUNCIL

YAVAPAI-APACHE INDIAN COMMUNITY

YAVAPAI-PRESCOTT COMMUNITY

YERINGTON PAIUTE COUNCIL

YOMBA TRIBAL COUNCIL

YUROK RESERVATION

Military Facilities

US AIR FORCE, ANDERSEN AFB

US AIR FORCE, BEALE AFB

US AIR FORCE, EDWARDS AFB

US AIR FORCE, FORT MACARTHUR AFS

US AIR FORCE, LOS ANGELES AFB

US AIR FORCE, MARCH ARB

US AIR FORCE, McCLELLAN AFB

US AIR FORCE, TRAVIS AFB

US AIR FORCE, VANDENBERG AFB

US ARMY, CAMP HAAN

US ARMY, CAMP PARKS

US ARMY, CAMP ROBERTS

US ARMY, CAMP SAN LUIS OBISPO

US ARMY, FORT HUACHUCA

US ARMY, FORT HUNTER LIGGETT

US ARMY, FORT IRWIN

US ARMY, JOINT FORCES TRAINING BASE

US ARMY, NATIONAL GUARD MARANA

US ARMY, PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY

US MARINE CORPS, AIR STATION MIRAMAR

US MARINE CORPS, CAMP PENDLETON

US MARINE CORPS, MARINE CORPS LOGISTICS BASE, NEBO

US MARINE CORPS, MARINE CORPS LOGISTICS BASE, YERMO

US MARINE CORPS, MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT, SAN DIEGO

US NAVY, NAVAL AIR STATION, NORTH ISLAND

US NAVY, NAVAL AIR STATION, OLF IMPERIAL BEACH

US NAVY, NAVAL BASE GUAM

US NAVY, NAVAL BASE VENTURA COUNTY - PORT HUENEME

US NAVY, NAVAL BASE VENTURA COUNTY - NAVAL AIR MISSILE TEST CENTER, POINT MUGU

US NAVY, NAVAL BASE VENTURA COUNTY - SAN NICOLAS ISLAND

US NAVY, NAVAL DEGASSING STATION, POINT LOMA

US NAVY, NAVAL OCEAN CENTER-NAB, CORONADO

US NAVY, NAVAL STATION, SAN DIEGO

US NAVY, NAVAL SUBMARINE BASE, POINT LOMA

US NAVY, NAVAL SUPPLY CENTER, POINT LOMA ANNEX

US NAVY, NAVAL SUPPLY CENTER, SAN DIEGO

US NAVY, NAVAL WEAPONS CENTER, CHINA LAKE

US NAVY, NAVAL WEAPONS CENTER, SEAL BEACH, FALLBROOK ANNEX

US NAVY, NAVAL WEAPONS STATION, CONCORD

US NAVY, POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

US NAVY, SAN CLEMENTE ISLAND

Other Locations with Exclusive or Partial Federal Jurisdiction

HAWAII MARITIME CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA (unspecified locations in GGNRA) GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, ALCATRAZ GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, FORT MASON GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, PRESIDIO METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (bridge and transportation projects in the 9 county San Francisco Bay Area) NASA AMES MOFFETT FIELD NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, CABRILLO NATIONAL MONUMENT NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, HALEAKALA NATIONAL PARK NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, HAWAII VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, KINGS CANYON NATIONAL PARK NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK NATIONAL PARK SERVICE, YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK PORT OF LONG BEACH PORT OF SAN DIEGO