E&B OILFIELD SERVICES INC.

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EXPIRES: Indefinite

FENCING PROCEDURES

Data available from the Consumer Product Safety Commission indicate more than 110,000 people were treated in hospitals for fence-related injuries during 2003. Of this total, approximately 43% were lacerations to fingers, hands, arms, and legs, 16% were contusions to feet and legs, 13% were fractures to hands, fingers, and arms, and 12% were sprains to ankles and knees. Fence-related injuries were mostly sustained by people running or falling into fences, climbing or jumping over fences, and falling from fences.

Precautions for Working in the Vicinity of Fences

- ☐ Always be aware of fences that are located in the vicinity of the work area.
- ☐ Avoid fence contact injuries by maintaining a safe working distance from fences.
- ☐ Never take shortcuts by attempting to climb or jump over fences. Use gates to access or depart fenced areas.
- ☐ Always close gates after entering or leaving a fenced area.
- ☐ Do not sit on fences or gates.

Precautions for Installing or Maintaining Fences

- ☐ Always wear long pants and sturdy shoes (i.e., no sneakers or sandals) and use leather gloves and safety glasses when installing or maintaining fences.
- ☐ Prior to starting a fencing task, inspect the work area to identify potential hazards and obstructions such as insect or animal nests, stumps or rocks, and holes or gullies.
- ☐ When working outdoors on fencing projects, wear the appropriate clothing and sun protection for the weather conditions and consume adequate amounts of fluids to prevent dehydration.
- ☐ Always maintain a safe distance when removing strapping from coiled fencing or wire.
- ☐ Use the appropriate tools for the fencing job such as high tensile wire cutters, crimping tools, pliers, and wire or fence stretchers.
- ☐ Never use vehicles (i.e., pickup trucks or ATVs) or farm machinery (i.e., tractors) to tighten wire or fence.
- ☐ Practice safe lifting methods to prevent back and shoulder injuries.
- ☐ Use extra caution when cutting wire or fence under tension.
- ☐ Always use a carpenter's apron to carry nails or fence staples.
- ☐ When tightening wire, stand on the far side of fence posts to maintain a protective barrier from potential wire breakage and whip lash.
- ☐ Take frequent breaks when performing strenuous tasks such as post hole digging, carrying heavy loads of wire or fencing, or tightening wire or fencing. Do not overtire yourself.

Job Steps

- ☐ Obtain company or land owner requirements
- ☐ Contact 811 and collect necessary documentation
- ☐ Complete dig permit
- ☐ Attend Kick Off meeting
- ☐ Complete JSA and other necessary permits
- ☐ Remove old fence or fence section, trash, and other debris
- ☐ Construct new fence or fence sections following using these guidelines
    - o Follow company or land owner requirements
    - o Measure and mark gate locations
    - o Construct H Bracing at:
        - ▪ Corners
        - ▪ Gates
        - ▪ Long fence sections (500 feet or more)
        - ▪ Significant elevation changes or terrain contour
        - ▪ Fence intersections
- ☐ Attach or construct gates to company or land owner requirements
- ☐ Remove tools and equipment
- ☐ Remove trash and construction debris
- ☐ Rake or re-level work area ruts or dirt piles
- ☐ Notify E&B Supervisor so that other reclamation activities can be completed
- ☐ Notify E&B Supervisor, company representative or land owner for final inspection
- ☐ Make corrections if necessary

When working around others, always ensure that clear communication is used via radio or telephone, or in person. **Never take any action** without alerting others, as such could result in serious harm or accident. Always work in a calm orderly fashion as to not create an unsafe environment. Be conscious of your surroundings and use your **STOP WORK AUTHORITY** when necessary.

I _____ have read and understand the **E&B Fencing Procedures**

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I understand that I am required to follow these procedures. I also understand that my failure to do so may result in disciplinary action, termination and or increased personal liability.

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Employee Signature

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Date

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Supervisor Signature

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Date