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# ADVANCED UTILITY SOLUTIONS



#### WRAPPING UP A CRAZY MAY

As we move into June, we reflect on the whirlwind that was May. While work slowed down a bit, it provided us with a much-needed opportunity to catch up and refocus. We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone for their hard work and dedication. Your commitment to excellence has not gone unnoticed.

## UNDERSTANDING POWERLINE **WORK HAZARDS**

Working in electrical construction involves numerous hazards that our flaggers should be aware of to ensure their safety and the safety of the crews. Here are some key work practices and procedures to help you understand the job and its hazards better:

- 1. Roadside Setup
- · Use clear signage, cones, and barriers to demarcate the work area. Ensure that the setup is visible and provides adequate warning to drivers.
- 2. Daily Job Brief
- Actively participate in job briefs, ask questions if unclear, and sign the job brief to acknowledge understanding.
- 3. Proper PPE
- · Wear all required PPE, including hard hats, gloves, safety glasses, and high-visibility clothing. Ensure PPE is in good condition and fits properly.
- 5. Electrical Hazards
- Always treat wires and equipment as if they are live. Use proper grounding techniques, and avoid touching or leaning on equipment and trucks that may become energized.

By understanding and implementing these work practices and procedures, we can create a safer working environment for everyone involved.

Thank you once again for all your hard work and dedication. Let's make June another successful month!

#### INDUSTRY UPDATE

As we enter the summer months, it's important to be aware of the changing dynamics on the roads. With school ending in the next few weeks, there will be an increase in children and teenagers outside, leading to higher pedestrian activity. This also means more parents juggling childcare and work, which can add to the stress and tension on the roads.

Be mindful of this shift and stay vigilant. Summer also brings an increase in social activities, which means more people might be driving under the influence or in a rush. It's crucial to be extra cautious and prioritize safety. If something doesn't seem right, don't hesitate to ask for help or report your concerns. Remember, our top priority is the safety of our employees.



### **SOCIAL SOLUTIONS**

The office staff has been busy at work expanding our social media presence. Like, Share, and Follow our pages for updates, anecdotes, and maybe even a meme or two! Our socials are linked here. **CLICK HERE** 

# Join us in Celebrating YOU!



# June Birthdays

Casey Hayes 6/6 Samuel Carlos 6/13 Kevin Maroney 6/15 Mikhail Khan 6/17 Jacob Davis 6/20 Terry Holmes 6/23 Andre Wright 6/24 Julius Smith 6/26 Derek Gray 6/30

## FLAGGING SAFETY:

Beat the Heat: Smart Tips for Staying Safe on the Job

- Hydrate Frequently: Drink water regularly to stay hydrated.
- 2. **Avoid Sunburn, Use Sunscreen**: Apply SPF 30+ sunscreen and reapply every two hours.
- 3. Know the Signs of Heat Illness:
  Learn to recognize symptoms of
  heat exhaustion and heat stroke.
- 4. **Seek Shade:** When possible, shield yourself from direct sunlight to reduce your exposure to extreme heat and minimize the risk of heat-related illnesses. Note: too much shade can impact the reflectiveness of your personal protective equipment.



June Work Anniversaries

Brandon Buchanan 6/1 - 3 years!



## June Contest:

### Step Up to the Challenge

A crucial aspect of flagging is being quick on your feet. Send your best, most creative work boot photo to

v.mitacchione@autilitysolutions.com. The photos will be judged anonymously. There will be two winners. The prize is a \$25 Amazon gift card. Deadline is 11:59 pm 6/4 \*Photos can be creative or funny but please remember they must be work appropriate.

# Questions? Talk to Us

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"The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary." – Vidal Sassoon