

TOOLBOX TALK #39

TRENCH SHORING DESIGN – PART 3

Safety Training

Maintaining up-to-date training of safety regulations and equipment solutions is vital to keeping construction workers safe. A more educated workforce is a safer and more productive workforce. Contractors face daily challenges to this goal, and lectures with minimal classroom engagement do not suffice as training.

Training organizations with dedicated resources can offer quality safety instruction, together with assistance outside the classroom – including job site consultation, engineering designs, and safety equipment. Training in excavation safety for competent persons, confined space entry, fall protection, site-specific regulatory compliance, and operator certifications are risk management levers that can also improve productivity.

Solve Gaps with Experts

As contractors work to set in place the right trench protection system for a job site, it is important to keep in mind how third-party resources can address areas that are beyond their typical scope of performance or experience. These resources can help companies fill gaps in a range of areas including specialized equipment, classroom training, pre-bid analysis on protective system solutions, onsite consultation, and engineering designs that can be applied successfully on a project.

The ultimate trench protection goals for organizations are ensuring safety and productivity. A well-designed, OSHA-compliant, and comprehensive trench protective system tackles both equipment and personnel needs. With these requirements addressed, contractors can not only provide safe jobsites but also enable personnel to be productive in delivering quality work on time and within budget.