# TOOLBOX TALKS PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

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## **EYE AND FACE PROTECTION**

- Choose eye and face protectors based on the kinds of hazards you may encounter.
   Safety glasses or face shields should be worn when:
  - Working operations could cause foreign objects to get in your eyes (like welding, cutting, grinding and nailing)
  - You are working with concrete and harmful chemicals
  - You are exposed to electrical hazards including working on energized electrical systems
  - You are exposed to flying particles

# **FOOT PROTECTION**

- You should wear work shoes or boots with slip-resistant and puncture-resistant soles
- Safety-toes footwear is worn to prevent crushed toes when working around heavy equipment or falling objects

#### HAND PROTECTION

- · Always wear proper gloves for the work conditions
- · Gloves should fit snugly

## **HEAD PROTECTION**

- Wear hard hats in good condition when there is potential for:
  - Objects falling from above
  - Bumps to the head from fixed objects
  - Accidental head contact with electrical shock

#### **HEAD PROTECTION**

- Use earplugs/earmuffs in high noise work areas where chainsaws or heavy equipment are used
- Clean or replace earplugs regularly

Employee Participants:

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