

SAFETY

Walkabout



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Q #1 How is top management involved with worker safety and health?

Management is committed to ESH&Q by allowing employees to participate in ESH&Q activities, holding them accountable on performance review, and by providing a safe and healthful working environment. WRPS provides staff that has subject matter experts in S&H and provides both positive and negative reinforcement for participation in and compliance with established ESH&Q programs.

Q #2 What kind of safety and health hazards are you potentially exposed to?

General construction, electrical, ergonomic, heat stress, hazardous waste work activities, falling objects, operating vehicles, radiological hazards, noise, Beryllium, Asbestos, Lead etc.

Q #3 How are committee members chosen?

Members are chosen either by volunteer or by management encouragement. All employees are afforded the opportunity to participate in and/or become a member of a ESH&Q committee. Each project has an EAPC. WRPS also has a Task Force Team that has managers, staff and craft employees.

Q #4 What protection is provided to you? How do you help protect yourself? What kind of protective equipment do you use? Is protection readily available when you need it?

WRPS provides first aid kits in the event of minor cuts and scrapes. All locations have access to an Automated Electronic Defibrillator with training on these units during First Aid/CPR. PPE is required when working in field areas at the project site. Each project location has specific PPE required with additional training as necessary for access to this work area. Personnel who work in an office location are provided with ergonomic chairs, keyboard trays, and other ergonomic equipment as necessary to ensure proper posture while working.

Q #5 What has management told you about the DOE-VPP program?

VPP is a voluntary program that identifies and implements elements of an effective ESH&Q program that go above and beyond compliance with employees owning the program.

