

# OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES

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## HIGHLIGHTS

### COVID-19 Vaccination Policy

Effective December 20, 2021, students, contractors, and visitors will be required to show government issued photo ID and proof of vaccination to access all ESC facilities. ESC will also accept a negative COVID-19 test result within 72 hours, prior to accessing an ESC facility.

Regardless of vaccination status, all safeguards, including daily health screening, physical distancing and face masks will remain in place.

### H<sub>2</sub>S Alive® Blended Renewal Course

The [course](#) includes online theory, followed by a skills assessment through an Authorized Training Partner (ATP). The prerequisite is a current valid H<sub>2</sub>S Alive® certificate.

Employers can become an ATP with Internal Assessors for the [H<sub>2</sub>S Alive® Blended Renewal Course](#). Requirements include:

- ATP Application and fees
- Assessor training and maintenance cycle
- Purchasing of online theory and certificate packages

If interested, contact [Training@EnergySafetyCanada.com](mailto:Training@EnergySafetyCanada.com)

### Know the Law

[Changes to Alberta Occupational Health and Safety \(OHS\) laws](#) come into effect December 1. Employers are responsible for reviewing the changes and making any necessary revisions to their programs.

### Stakeholder Survey Results

A stakeholder survey was conducted from October to November to track ESC's performance and understand how its brand and reputation have evolved. The survey drew over 400 responses, an increase of 25% over 2020 participation. Ratings of ESC's performance remain strong with 90% agreeing that ESC has a meaningful impact on making industry safer and 87% of respondents stating ESC has contributed to an increase in their skills and knowledge that can be applied on the job.

### Safety Summit

On November 23, ESC hosted a virtual Safety Summit with international experts speaking on the topic of Human and Organizational Performance. This free event drew more than 400 registrations and attracted an international audience.

### Petroleum Safety Conference

The 2022 Petroleum Safety Conference will take place as an in-person event at the Banff Springs Hotel from May 2 to May 4, 2022. Registration will open in January.

## Recent Publications

Safety Alert | [Worker Fatally Struck by Object](#)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Webinar | Commercial Vehicle Out-of-Service Trends in Western Canada

December 7 10:00AM-11:30AM | [Register Now](#)

ESC, [Petroleum Services Association of Canada](#), and the [Alberta Motor Trucking Association](#) are hosting a panel discussion on commercial vehicle out-of-service trends in Western Canada.

### Webinar | WorkSafeBC Pre-Drilling Season Regulator Updates

December 9 1:00PM-2:30PM | [Register Now](#)

This session will include an industry update, an overview of industry incidents and compliance issues, and an update on the three-year Oil and Gas High Risk Initiative.

### Webinar | Alberta Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Legislation Changes

December 14 9:00AM-10:30AM | [Register Now](#)

Get an overview of the changes to the OHS legislation coming into force on December 1.

Speakers Rob Feagan, Executive Director, OHS Prevention Services, and Richelle Prickett, OHS Implementation Office Lead, will focus on the changes with the most impact to stakeholders.

### Webinar | How to use PSIs for Continuous Improvement

December 15 12:00PM-1:00PM | [Register Now](#)

Join us for a discussion on how we can improve safety performance by tracking and understanding PSIs.

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## KEY INITIATIVES

### Certificate of Recognition (COR) Program

The [2022 COVID-19 Auditing Requirements](#) were reviewed in a [recorded session](#) on October 28. Key points include:

- Alberta document only audits no longer available after January 1, 2022
- No observations permitted until March 31, 2022
- No changes to auditing requirements in BC

### The Well Service Blowout Prevention Course

The course is being updated to create a blended program with updated content to better reflect current industry needs.

### CAOEC (formerly CAODC) Service Rig Assessor

ESC will provide confirmation of completion for the CAODC (CAOEC) Service Rig Competency Assessors course on a worker's Record of Training. Valid CAODC Rig Assessor Competency certificates will continue to be recognized and will be available as a Record of Training.

### Safety Centre of Excellence

Dr. Tristan Casey shared his award-winning LEAD model in October. Author Brent Sutton presented in November. Brent is co-author of 'The Practice of Learning Teams' and recently released a [White Paper- Learning From Everyday Work](#).

## Drilling & Completions Committee (DACC)

### IRP 2: Completing and Servicing Sour Wells

[IRP 2](#) is available for a final 30-day industry review, ending December 2.

### IRP 27: Wellbore Decommissioning

Industry feedback from April has been incorporated into IRP 27. The committee will be asking for DACC approval to proceed with their final industry review at the November 17 meeting.

### IRP 28: Drilling and Completions Waste Management

[IRP 28](#) is available for a final 30-day industry review, ending December 2.

### IRP 29: Temporary Pipework, Securement and Restraint

Committee members are collaborating with C-FER Technologies to determine the loads and energy produced during the failure of temporary piping. This will allow for additional guidance when designing a temporary pipe restraint system.

### IRP 30: Temporary Wellbore Suspension

The CAPP scoping document was reviewed at the November 9 meeting. The committee will meet on December 14 to draft a content outline.



## REGIONAL UPDATES

### Oil Sands

The Q4 Oil Sands Safety Committee Meeting will take place on December 1.

### British Columbia

The Q4 Advisory Committee Meeting will take place on December 2.

### Saskatchewan

The Q4 Advisory Committee Meeting was held on November 16. A trucking industry meeting was held on November 4, which focused on an increase in WCB injury claims.



## DATA & ANALYTICS

ESC receives quarterly data from provincial Workers' Compensation Boards for oil and gas industry employers. This data includes employer-level injury claims and safety performance and is used to support the oil and gas industry.

[Employers can request the following types of reports:](#)

- Employer H & S Profile
- Industry Sector Profile
- Issue-Specific Report