



SAFETY OBSERVER

NWND Workforce Training

REMINDER:
Offices will be closed Monday, September 1 in observance of Labor Day. There will be no 40 Hour courses on the following weeks: September 1-5, October 13-17 & October 27-31.

UPCOMING TRAININGS AND EVENTS

Intro to Oil & Gas-Williston	Sept 25
Intro to Oil & Gas-Minot	Oct 2
OSHA 500-Williston	Oct 14-16

Note:
Please refer to the calendar on back for more scheduled safety training.

Welcome Jeremy Mohl
Jeremy Mohl is the newest member at the Workforce Training Division. Jeremy previously worked at OSI as the Assistant Manger. He has five years of oilfield experience with three years of direct training experience.



Jeremy can be contacted at (701) 774-6227 or jeremy.g.mohl@wsc.nodak.edu

Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S)

Hydrogen sulfide is a colorless, flammable, extremely hazardous gas. The health effects of this dangerous gas vary with how long, and at what level, you are exposed.

- **Low concentrations** – irritation of eyes, nose, throat, or respiratory system; effects can be delayed.
- **Moderate concentrations** – more severe eye and respiratory effects, headache, dizziness, nausea, coughing, vomiting and difficulty breathing.
- **High concentrations** – shock, convulsions, unable to breathe, coma, death; effects can be extremely rapid (within a few breaths).

Before Entering Areas with Possible Hydrogen Sulfide

The air needs to be tested for the presence and concentration of hydrogen sulfide by a qualified person using test equipment. This individual also determines if fire/explosion precautions are necessary. If gas is present, the space should be ventilated. If the gas cannot be removed, use appropriate respiratory protection and any other necessary personal protective equipment (PPE), rescue and communication equipment. Atmospheres containing high concentrations (greater than 100 ppm) are considered immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) and a self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) is required.

Workforce Training will soon be an OSHA outreach training center.

The Rocky Mountain Education Center (RMEC) is pleased to announce its new partnership with the NWND Workforce Training Division at Williston State College. WSC will serve as a satellite OSHA office serving North Dakota in Region 8. WSC will be offering OSHA classes in Williston and Minot. All of the RMEC courses will be available through the Workforce Training Division. For more information, please contact Del at 701-774-6230.