



Who has the authority to ensure Workplace Safety?

 Who is covered by Maryland Occupational Safety and Health (MOSH)?

What rights do employees have under MOSH?





## **HAZARDS**

WORKSITE

CONFINED SPACE



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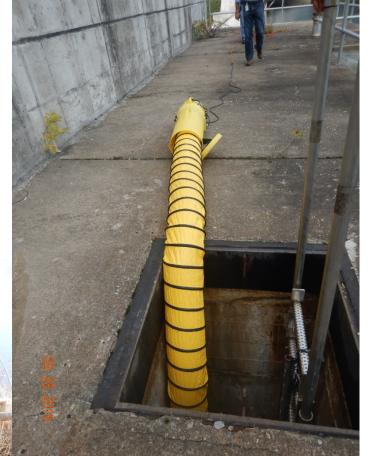


MDE File Photos: Morris Mill Dam, Salisbury, MD.

## FALL HAZARDS



MDE File Photos: Beaglin Park Dam, Salisbury, MD.



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## CAUGHT-IN OR BETWEEN



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MDE File Photos: Allison Street Levee, Prince George's County, MD.





#### STRUCK BY HAZARD



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MDE File Photos: Anderson Mill Pond, Salisbury, MD.



# DEFINITION CONFINED SPACE (OSHA)

- Is large enough and so configured that an employee can bodily enter it;
- Has limited or restricted means for entry and exit; and
- Is not designed for continuous employee occupancy.
- 1926.1201(a) includes: storm drain manholes, storm drains



# DEFINITION CONFINED SPACE (MD Code)

- Has limited openings for entry and exit; and
- Is subject to
  - the accumulation of a combustible agent;
  - an accumulation of a toxic agent; or
  - a deficiency of oxygen.
- Section 5-602 includes pipeline, tunnel



- Is a principal spillway pipe a permit required confined space?
- What is OSHA's definition of a permit required confined space?
- What is OSHA's alternate procedure for entering a permit space, Section 1926.1203(e)?
- What are the requirements for entering a permit space under the alternative procedures?
  - Provide continuous forced air ventilation
  - Develop monitoring and inspection data
  - Document the determination and data



#### FINAL THOUGHTS

- Employers and employees be aware of potential hazards at dams under construction or during inspections.
- Employers be aware of your responsibilities for employees.
- Employees know your rights.
- Participate in necessary and required workplace safety training: outreach training for the construction industry, fall protection, and confined space entry and awareness
- Consult with MOSH and/or Occupational Safety and Health experts within your organization.







#### **THANK YOU**

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