CONFINED SPACES

CONFINED SPACES can be found all over campus. The Confined Space Entry Program is managed by the University to ensure the safety of employees entering these areas. Confined spaces are determined based on three criteria: large enough to enter and work within, not designed for continuous occupation, and limited entry and exit. Permit required spaces include all the above plus a serious hazard. These can include: atmospheric levels, convergent floors, engulfment, or other significant hazards. Prior training of entrants and attendants, permits, and air quality metering are mandatory for entry of a permit required confined space.

PROGRAM STEPS:

- EHS will determine if a space is permit required, keep a list of all spaces, and determine rescue plans.
- Authorized entrants will get a permit and meter from EHS prior to entering.
- Authorized attendants will remain outside the space and monitor authorized entrants.
- After completing work, the confined space will be closed and secured.
- The permit and meter will be returned by the end of the day.

WHAT TO DO!

- Reference the Confined Space Entry Program at safety.uoregon.edu.
- Always complete training, obtain a permit, and a meter prior to entering!
- Always wear required PPE!
- Guard confined spaces when open!
- Immediately exit if the meter alarms or the attendant calls for it!
- Report injuries to your supervisor immediately!
- In an emergency, call 911 and UOPD (541-346-2919) for immediate assistance!