OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS BOARD

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board is to promote, adopt, and maintain reasonable and enforceable standards that will ensure a safe and healthy workplace for California workers.

AGENDA

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS BOARD BOARD MEETING

PLEASE NOTE: In accordance with section 11123 of the Government Code, Board members as well as members of the public may elect to participate via videoconference.

September 18, 2025 10:00 a.m.

In-Person:

Town of Truckee
Truckee Town Hall
10183 Truckee Airport Road
Truckee, CA 96161

Videoconference:

- 1. Go to https://tkoworks.zoom.us/j/87501250331
- 2. Enter Webinar ID: 875 0125 0331
- 3. Join the meeting through the Zoom application OR through your web browser
- 4. Videoconference will be opened to the public at 9:50 a.m.



Teleconference:

- 1. Dial 1 (669) 444-9171
- 2. Enter Webinar ID: 875 0125 0331 and follow the prompts
- 3. Teleconference will be opened to the public at 9:50 a.m.

<u>Live video stream and audio stream (English and Spanish):</u>

- 1. Go to https://videobookcase.com/california/oshsb/
- 2. Video stream and audio stream will launch as the meeting starts at 10:00 a.m.

Public Comment Queue:

If attending the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board (Board) meeting in person, you will be added to the public comment queue upon completing a comment card on the day of the meeting.

If attending the meeting remotely and wish to comment on agenda items, you may submit a request to be added to the public comment queue either in advance of or during the meeting through one of the following methods:

ONLINE: Provide your information through the online comment queue portal at https://videobookcase.org/oshsb/public-comment-queue-form/

PHONE: Call **(510) 868-2730** to access the automated comment queue voicemail and provide[†]: 1) your name as you would like it listed; 2) your affiliation or organization; and 3) the topic you would like to comment on.

† Information requested is voluntary and not required to address the Board.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

A. Spanish translation instructions

II. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

III. BUSINESS MEETING

Note: The purpose of the Business Meeting is for the Board to conduct its monthly business. All matters on this agenda are subject to discussion and action as determined to be appropriate by the Board Chair.

For item C below, public comment will be limited to two minutes per speaker or four minutes for speakers requiring concurrent English translation.

A. PROPOSED SAFETY ORDERS FOR ADOPTION

1. <u>TITLE 8:</u> <u>CONSTRUCTION SAFETY ORDERS</u>

Sections 1951, 1952, 1953, 1955, 1956 and 1960

GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY ORDERS

Section 5156

Confined Spaces in Construction Clean-up

- Briefing by Board staff on proposed regulation for adoption
- Public comment on proposed regulation for adoption
- Board discussion and vote

B. PROPOSED PETITION DECISION FOR ADOPTION

 Kevin D. Bland, Esq Petition File No. 607

Petitioner requests to amend title 8 section 1716.2 Residential-type Framing Activities, Wood and Light Gage Steel Frame Construction (Residential Fall Protection) to extend the effective date to July 1, 2026, or, alternatively to approve a new proposed addition to Title 8, section 1671.3 establishing a new Fall Protection Plan for interior work in residential framing. The Petitioners state that this request is urgently needed because the recently adopted regulatory changes are less safe than the current standards, especially for interior work, and there are no safe and acceptable options available to framing contractors to properly protect their workers. The Petitioners ask the Board to reverse course and allow the original 1716.2 regulation to continue as the California regulation, to allow them to meet with the new Fed OSHA administration personnel to ask for a written directive rescinding their requirement to abandon the original 1716.2 section.

The Petitioners believe that the recently approved regulatory changes were approved due to improper pressure from Fed OSHA and add that residential construction general contractors and framing contractors have been trying to find safe options for interior framing work but that none are available. The Western State Regional Council of Carpenters and Residential Framing Contractors Association echoed this request by submitting a similar letter and providing recommended draft language for the proposed new section 1671.3.

- Public comment on Petition 607
- Board discussion and vote

2. Valley Voices Petition File No. 608

Petitioner requests to amend title 8 section 5199.1 Aerosol Transmissible Diseases - Zoonotic standard to protect dairy and poultry workers from aerosolized transmissible diseases such as H5N1 avian influenza (bird flu) virus. The Petitioner specifically requests clarification that when there is an overlap between quarantined facilities and facilities with infected animals, the more stringent standards should apply. Additionally, Petitioner requests that it be required that employers: keep infected or exposed workers from the workplace until it is safe for them to return to work; provide exclusion pay; provide supplemental paid sick leave; and report any illness or symptom information reported by workers to the local health department, California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and Cal/OSHA. Lastly, the Petitioner requests both an emergency regulation to protect workers from H5N1 avian influenza and a permanent regulation to protect workers from infectious diseases.

The Petitioner states that as of March 19, 2025, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) confirmed 70 reported human cases of bird flu in the United States, and CDPH has reported 38 cases in California, almost all linked to cattle as an exposure source. The Petitioner believes that the virus is much more widespread than the CDC's official numbers suggest given that the pathogen has been detected in over 700 dairy herds in California, there have been no systematic inspections of dairies and recent blood test analysis involving 115 dairy workers revealed that 7% of those tested showed signs of previous bird flu infection. The Petitioner adds that dairy workers, who are mostly Latino, immigrant and undocumented low wage workers, are vulnerable to infection because during the milking process they can inhale airborne milk particles and milk droplets can splash into their eyes.

- Public comment on Petition 608
- Board discussion and vote

C. PROPOSED VARIANCE DECISIONS FOR ADOPTION

- Consent Calendar
- Vote on consent calendar

D. **REPORTS**

- Executive Officer's Report
- Legislative Update
- Cal/OSHA Report

E. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS OR TO PROPOSE NEW OR REVISED STANDARDS

This portion of the meeting is open to any interested person proposing new or revised standards to the Board or commenting on occupational safety and health issues (Labor Code section 142.2) not on the agenda. The Board is prohibited to act on items that are not noticed on the agenda but may refer items to staff for future consideration.

Public comment will be limited to two minutes per speaker or four minutes for speakers requiring concurrent English translation.

The Board encourages comments on occupational safety and health matters not included on the monthly agenda. If you have a comment and cannot attend during the non-agenda comment period, OSHSB staff will do their best to read emailed comments into the record. Please send your non-agenda comment to oshsb-nacomments@dir.ca.gov by 5:00 PM the day prior to the meeting. Your comment should be clear, concise and 500 words or less.

Any individual or group wanting to make a presentation during the Public Meeting should visit https://www.dir.ca.gov/oshsb/presentations-for-oshsb.html for further information.

F. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Any Board member may identify a topic of interest during the Board meeting. However, the Board may not substantially discuss or act on any matter raised during the meeting that is not included on this agenda, except to decide to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (GC sections 11125 & 11125.7(a).)

G. CLOSED SESSION

Public comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

Pending Decisions

- Permanent Variance No. 20-V-096 (Tutor Perini/O&G JV)
- Permanent Variance No. 23-V-580 (Dragados)
- Permanent Variance No. 20-V-300 (Pepsi Bottling Group, LLC)

Personnel

H. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Report from closed session

I. ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

Next Meeting: October 16, 2025

Van Nuys State Building

Auditorium

6150 Van Nuys Boulevard Van Nuys, CA 91401

10:00 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

If necessary, consideration of personnel matters. (GC section 11126(a)(1)).

- If necessary, consideration of pending litigation pursuant to GC section 11126(e)(1).
- If necessary, to deliberate on a pending decision. (GC section 11126(c)(3)).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Hearing

During the Public Hearing, members of the public may provide comments regarding standards that have been noticed to the public for a 45-day comment period. An individual wishing to comment must complete a speaker comment card. Efforts will be made to accommodate everyone who signs up to speak. However, given time constraints, there is no guarantee that all who have signed up will be able to address the Board.

Each individual who submits a comment card will get up to two minutes to speak. The Board Chair may extend the speaking time allotted when practical. The total time for public comment is 120 minutes unless extended by the Board Chair.

Business Meeting Non-Agendized

During the Business Meeting Non-Agendized, members of the public can address the Board on items of interest that are within the Board's jurisdiction but are not on the noticed agenda. The Board is not permitted to take action on items that are not on the noticed agenda but may refer items to staff for future consideration. The Board reserves the right to limit the time for speakers.

DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION NOTICE

Under Government Code section 11123(a), all meetings of a state body are open and public, and all persons are permitted to attend any meeting of a state body, except as otherwise provided in the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

If disability-related modifications or accommodations are required to participate in the meeting, please contact: DIO@DIR.CA.GOV. To ensure the availability of your requested accommodation, please submit your request at least 10 days in advance.

Please contact the <u>California Relay Service</u> by dialing 711 or 1-800-855-3000 (TTY/Spanish).

TRANSLATION

Requests for translation services should be made no later than ten (10) days before the meeting. Request may be made to by email to oshsb@dir.ca.gov.