

**OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY  
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**Date:** March 9, 2021

**To:** Advisory Committee Members and interested parties

**Subject:** Proposed Amendments for Title 8, California Code of Regulations, General Industry Safety Orders, Section 3657 and New Section 3458.2, Date Palm Operations.

The Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board (Board) staff is reconvening an advisory committee to continue the discussion of lift truck-mounted engineered platforms used by employees engaged in date palm operations. The first day of the advisory committee, convened March 12, 2020, discussed proposed amendments to Section 3657 and a new Section 3458.2.

The purpose of the second day of the advisory committee meeting will be to consider revisions to the proposal that took place since the first meeting via follow-up discussions with the California Date Commission, Cal/OSHA, and California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation. The advisory committee meeting will be held at the following time and date:

**April 14, 2021**, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (or until adjournment)  
Virtual meeting using Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/93940964012?pwd=ZE16Y00zM1NOWkZDOGppSm5SMewzd09>

Meeting ID: 939 4096 4012

Passcode: 456944

Enclosed are the agenda, advisory committee roster, and draft proposal. For information on the first day of the advisory committee meeting, see: <https://www.dir.ca.gov/oshsb/Date-Palm-Operations-AC.html>.

Please be prepared to discuss any cost impact to employers or affected industries that may result from the proposed standard. If you cannot attend the meeting, please send an alternate, if possible, or submit your written comments by April 7, 2021 for advisory committee consideration.

Your assistance is appreciated and I look forward to seeing you at the advisory committee meeting. If you have any questions or would like to discuss any items prior to the meeting, please contact me at (916) 274-5730 or at [dkernazitskas@dir.ca.gov](mailto:dkernazitskas@dir.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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Attachments:

Agenda  
Advisory Committee Roster  
Regulatory text (draft proposal)

cc: All Standards Board Members  
Christina Shupe, Executive Officer, OSHSB  
Michael Manieri, Principal Safety Engineer, OSHSB  
Lara Paskins, Staff Services Manager I, OSHSB  
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