







# SUPERVISOR TALKING POINTS FATAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Fatal Risk Management expands on the concepts learned in Fatality Prevention, and provides field supervisors and employees with a set of tools to bring conversations about Fatal Risks and Critical Controls to the field. Discussions should focus on understanding what tasks and jobs can get us killed, and what controls can be put in place to prevent serious injury and death. The purpose of Fatal Risk Management is to improve communications in the field and prevent fatalities.

## WHEN COMMUNICATING THE PROGRAM TO YOUR CREW:

#### EXPLAIN THE PURPOSE OF FATAL RISK MANAGEMENT

- Identify fatal risks –the things that can kill us– and critical controls –the things that can prevent death-
- Use the tools to increase communication and understanding of the risks that we work with, and the controls that are available to us

#### **REVIEW THE TOOLS AVAILABLE**

- Icons for each Fatal Risk
- Checklists with Critical Controls for each risk
- Medgate System for tracking

#### COMMUNICATE YOUR EXPECTATIONS

- Operators should use the icons to identify fatal risks of your tasks
- Operators can reference the critical controls based on the risks to ensure work is performed safely
- Crews can communicate better about fatal risks and critical controls in tailgate meetings and line-outs
- Supervisors will use the checklists to verify critical controls are in place in the field
- Checklists will lead to conversations about better and more effective implementation of controls

### **IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE:**

#### SHOULD NOT CREATE ADDITIONAL WORK

- Icons are quick reference, and can lead to more effective tailgates
- Checklists are not additional work –should replace or integrate with other things we are doing in the field
- No expectation that the checklists will be filled out and turned in by operators

#### ENCOURAGE CREATIVITY

- Discuss ways the icons and checklists can be used in your area (stickers, posters, magnets, sandwich boards, etc)
- You are a team, and this this your space...make fatal risk management your own in ways that work for you!