



OSSA Connection

News & Views

Vision: *“An Incident Free Workforce”*
Mission: *“Agreed Safety Training Standards
for the Oil Sands Industry”*



OSSA Owner Members

Albian Sands Energy Inc.
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.
Suncor Energy Inc.
Syncrude Canada Ltd.

Refer to the OSSA website for
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The OSSA Objective:

The Oil Sands Safety Association's principle objective is to bring together the current Oil Sands Owners: Albian Sands Energy Inc., Canadian Natural Resources Ltd., Suncor Energy Inc., and Syncrude Canada Ltd., to design and implement an agreed set of Safety Training Standards and Practices for the purpose of creating “an incident free workforce.” These standards and practices apply to the contractor workforce working in the region. The Association accredits Training Providers Programs to a specific safety training standard and contractors that train to these standards can move across Owner Member plant sites without having to be re-trained.

What's New:

Every 3 years the Association revisits current OSSA standards and practices and revises these documents to meet changes to Alberta OH&S Legislation, to equipment, and to other standards (ANSI, CSA, ASME, NFPA, etc).

Watch the OSSA website for the revised OSSA Fall Protection standard that will soon be released.

For other updates please visit our website @
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Interim and Final Compliance Dates

The “**interim**” date defines the beginning of a transition period for implementing the safety training. The “**final compliance**” date defines the timeline when all contract workers requiring the safety training on the Member sites must have attended an OSSA accredited training program.

Interim Date: From this date all **NEW workers** to an existing or new contract requiring the safety training must have completed an OSSA accredited training program.

Final Compliance Date: From this date **ALL workers** requiring the safety training must have completed an OSSA accredited training program.

Training Standard	# of Contract Workers Trained as of Sept. 30, 2006	Interim Date	Final Compliance Date
Fall Protection	43,000	Nov. 1, 2004	Oct. 1, 2006
Aerial Work Platform	3000	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Confined Space Entry	2500	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Confined Space Monitor	1700	April 1, 2006	April 1, 2008
Fire Watch	50	Jan. 1, 2007	Jan. 1, 2009

OSSA Regional Orientation – Final compliance - April 1, 2006

The OSSA Regional Orientation is a site-access requirement for all new workers coming to OSSA Member sites.

OSSA Service Providers have delivered the OSSA Regional Orientation to **6000** Contract Workers.

Safety is understanding, and it is an attitude of mind – it is not necessarily only following rules or directions.

- Garry Richards, "Safety vs. Challenge", 1978