

Lessons Learned

Date: 12/23/2021

Region: Seattle

Project: Ben Franklin Elementary

Incident Title: Access and Egress

Summary

Foremen Plumber was exiting the Ben Franklin school and stepped on the edge of a 1' trench. The edge of the trench collapsed, and the delineator holding the door slid down the trench. As the worker slid down, his ankle became trapped between the door that was closing, and a concrete spoil in the trench. This twisted the worker's ankle.



What Went Right?

- Worker reported incident

What Went Wrong?

- Unsafe Access/Egress was not danger taped off, or adjusted to be made safe
- Work site was not inspected for safety

Lessons Learned

- Access/Egress points and high traffic areas must always be inspected for safety, and delineated, or made safe when work is occurring in the area.
- PTP's and Weekly Inspection to address changes to access/egress points, and ensuring protective measures are in place prior to work starting.