**Safe Work Practice**

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| Name of Job:  **Backfilling** | Development Date:  **March 11th, 2011** | Developed By:  **CSNS** |

**Possible Hazards Present**

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| Pain or injury from physical overexertion | Contact with machinery | Working in [extreme temperatures](http://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/phys_agents/hot_cold.html) and [UV radiation](http://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/phys_agents/ultravioletradiation.html). | Working with [hand tools](http://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/safety_haz/hand_tools/), [powered tools](http://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/safety_haz/power_tools/) and heavy powered equipment |
| Use of various machinery and tools. | Risk of eye injury from flying particles. |  | . |

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Devices Recommended**

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| Hearing Protection | Eye Protection | Foot protection |  |
| High visibility reflective vests | Skin Protection | Hearing Protection |  |

**What are some good general safe work practices?**

* **DO NOT** backfill until all workers are clear of working areas.
* **DO** ensure the operators of any equipment being used in backfilling operations shall keep their spotters in sight at all times.
* **DO** ensure that Operators/Spotters are familiar with hand signals for their work site.
* **DO** ensure that all employees wear the appropriate PPE (including high visibility reflective vests).