

The Lean Mean Safety Machine

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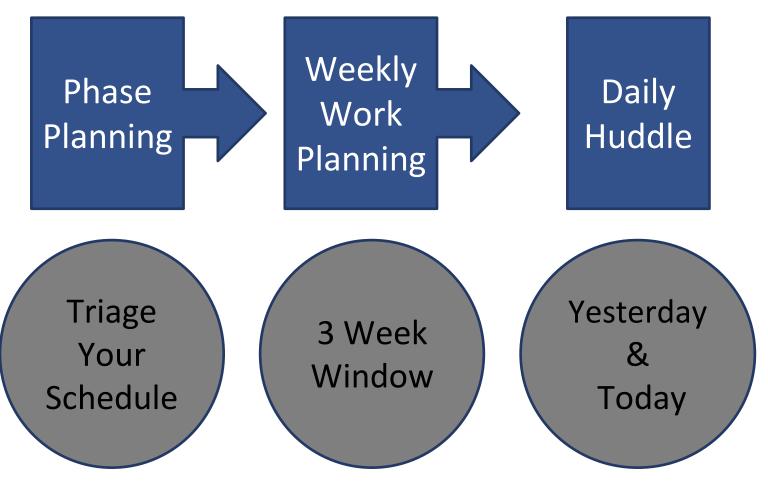
Problem Statement

• How can the entire project team (owner, general contractor, trade contractor) utilize lean best practices to target an accident and injury free workplace?

Part 1: Production Planning with Safety



Structured Planning Meetings



 Three phases of planning sessions allow for integrated safety planning at different levels of granularity

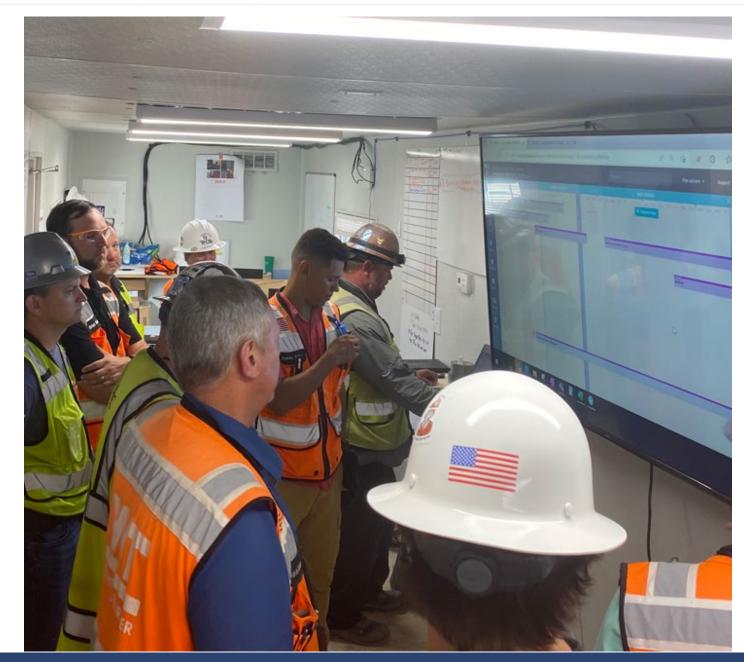
Phase Planning (8 Weeks +)

- Identify Safety Paperwork Needed
 - Crane Plans
 - AHA's
 - Road closures
- Sequencing with a pull method allows for less congested workplaces and less opportunities for injury.
- Obtainable durations sets expectations for the work plan
- Opportunities to inform planning at an early stage with activity sequencing that is unsafe



Weekly Work Planning (3 Week Window)

- Check-up on safety paperwork status so that it doesn't get missed or push work.
- Last look if current construction progress creates an unsafe working environment for a planned activity.
- Opportunity to micro-plan if sequencing creates safety hazards so it isn't determined the "day of" an activity.



Daily Check-ins (Current Day Window)

- Last opportunity to introduce a safety issue before it gets, or doesn't get, identified in the moment
- Opportunity for trades to introduce safety issues that they are seeing daily.
- Opportunity for a trade to coordinate a clean and safe handoff to another.

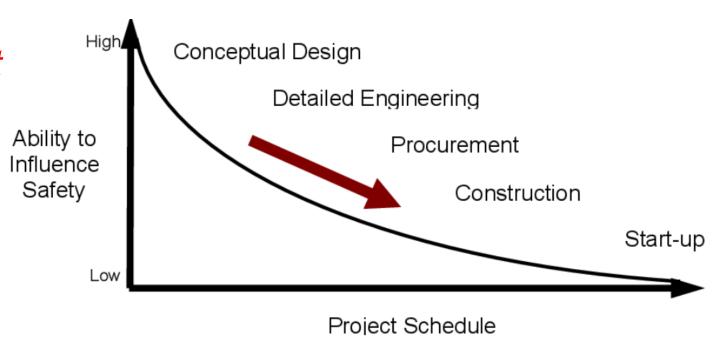


Trades Point of View

Murphy's Law:

"If anything can go wrong, it will. Usually at the worst time".

- Production Planning helps to eliminate the "Unlikely mindset"
- Improve safety training and implementation of safety plans
- LAST PLANNER = SAFETY PLANNER



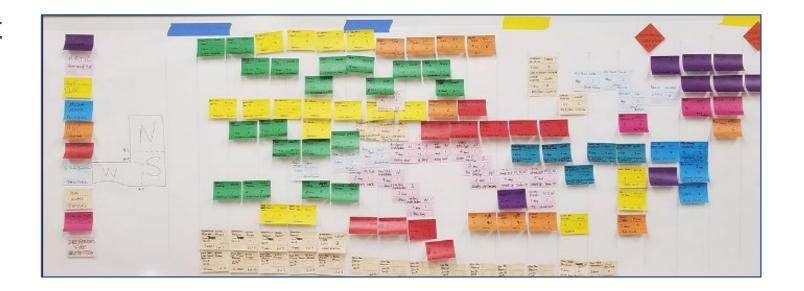
Source: Szymberski 1997

Time / Safety Influence Curve

Trades Point of View: Phase Planning (8 Weeks+)

1st Line of Defense to mitigate / eliminate hazards.

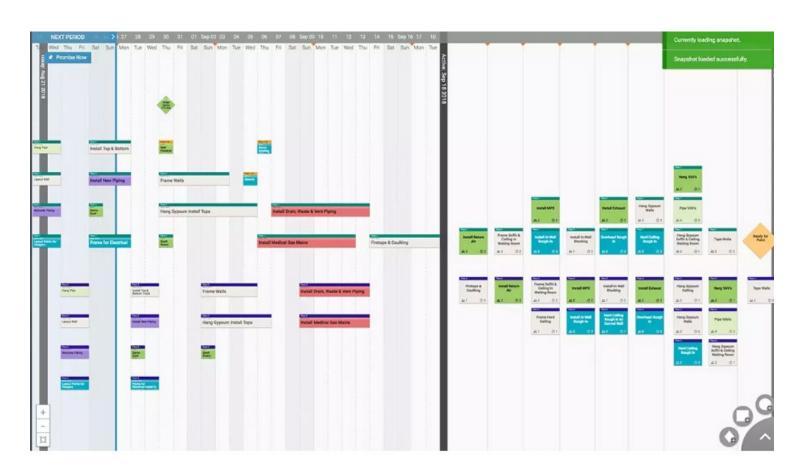
- Trade Internal Pre-Phase Planning Session It help trades with:
 - Determine "means and methods" prior to the Phase Planning with all the trades
 - > Ex. Scaffolding vs Lifts
 - Identify Resources
 - Equipment / Material and Qualified Personnel
 - Safety Documentation



Trades Point of View: Weekly Work Plan (3 Week Window)

2nd Line of Defense to mitigate / eliminate hazards.

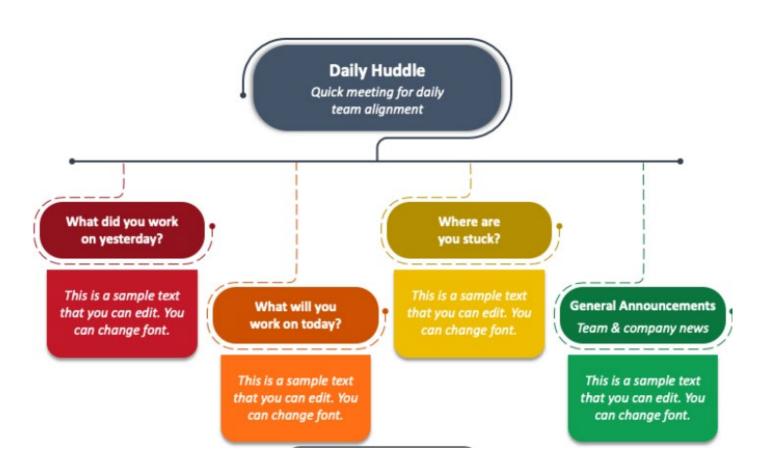
- Trade cross-checks
 - √ Status of Safety documentation
 - √ Schedule Progress
 - ✓ Changes in sequence of work
 - ✓ Equipment / Material / Qualified Personnel
 - ✓ Additional Training
- What is the key?
 - Trades can adapt to unforeseen conditions while being safe, efficient and LEAN.



Trades Point of View: Daily Check-ins (Current Day Window)

3rd Line of Defense to mitigate / eliminate hazards.

- Last opportunity to identify and mitigate safety hazards.
- Pre-Task Planning (PTP) / Hazard Analysis
- Trade concerns:
 - Safe conditions
 - Qualified labor force / New workers to be trained
 - Workers underestimating hazards due to complacency. "Unlikely mindset".
 - What is the key? Communication

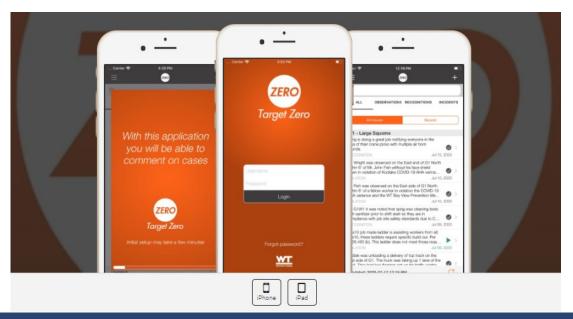


Part 2: Lean Processes for Safety Communication and Documentation



Lean Communication-Target Zero

- Internal tool to document and share safety information
- Stakeholders automatically receive real time notifications regarding safety
- Target Zero automatically creates a log of closed/open items to assist in ensuring safety items have been corrected.







ALL OBSERVATIONS RECOGNITIONS

INCIDENTS

All Issues

Recent

125 Building

Electrical whip was removed from panel and hole was not plated after removal. Exposer to live circuits remains....



VIOLATION

Jan 09, 2020

Multiple cords were observed with frayed insulation exposing the individual wire. Employees failed to inspect each cord for dam...



VIOLATION

Jan 09, 2020

Down inlet damaged during sky bridge steel install. Area left unattended with out hazard being protected....



OBSERVATION

Jan 08, 2020

Subcontractor observed chipping concrete from scissor lift without cordon off area. Pedestrians below could be struck by falling debris....



VIOLATION

Jan 08, 2020

Employee observed using chipping hammer and grinder without intergraded dust collection or water delivery system. When stopped and que...



Updated: 2020-02-13 10:39 PM

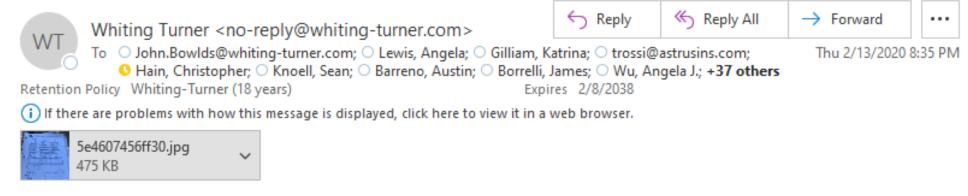




Target Zero Notifications

- Editable distribution list
- Email is triggered...
- Real time notification
- Repeat Offender!
- Safety Alert

A new violation - 67889 has been submitted on '017200 MK - 2' Jobsite.





A new safety violation has been recorded. (view issue)

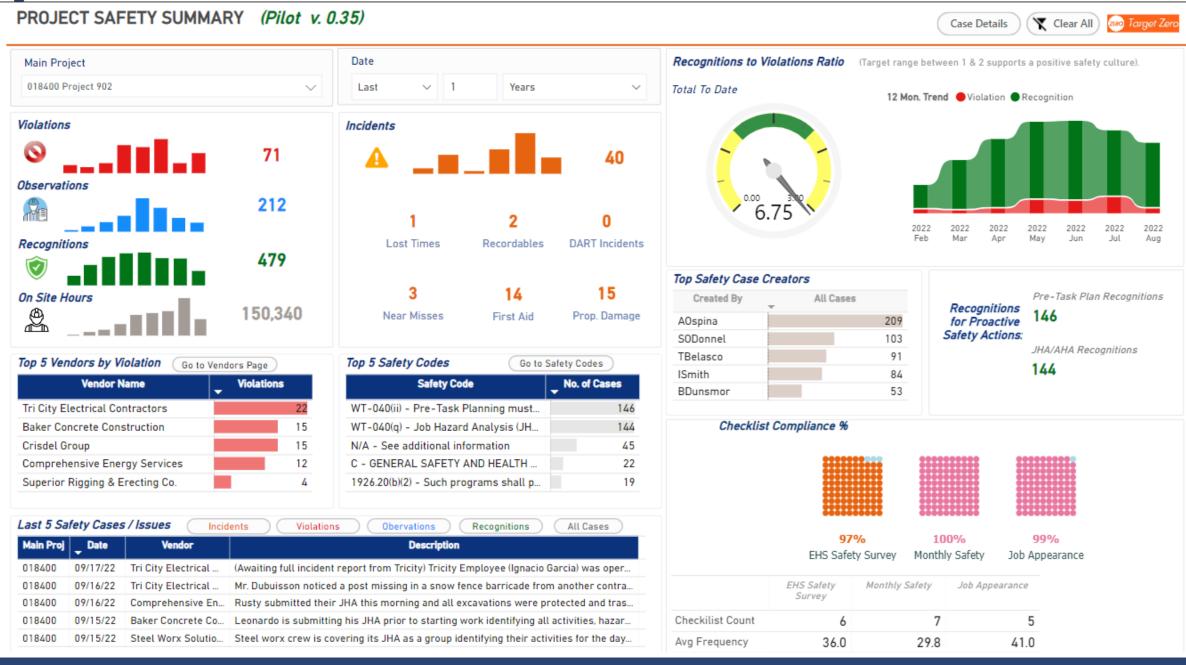
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Zerolytics

- Analyzation tool that allows project teams to trend safety
- Allows for quick hit information so a team can focus their attention on the issues that will make an impact (streamline focus)
- Becomes a communication tool so subcontractors understand what level they are performing safety
- Seeing safety through data analytics allows a proactive approach instead of relying on lagging indicators



Zerolytics



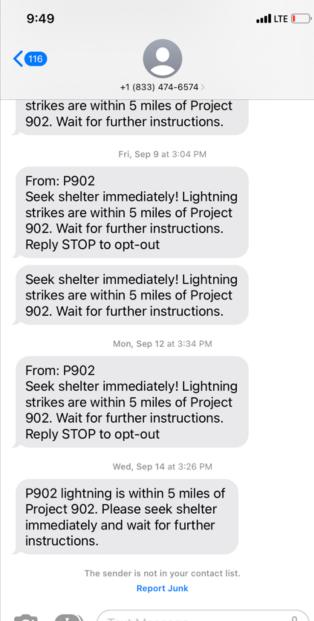
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Job Site Mass Communication-Engaging the Worker

Clear information conveyance

Use as the emergency alert system for evacuation/severe weather warnings

Can be used to recognize workers for safety and to share relevant safety information





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Safety Communication and Documentation

- How lean is turnover and how costly is a new hire?
- How can communication and documentation help with retention?

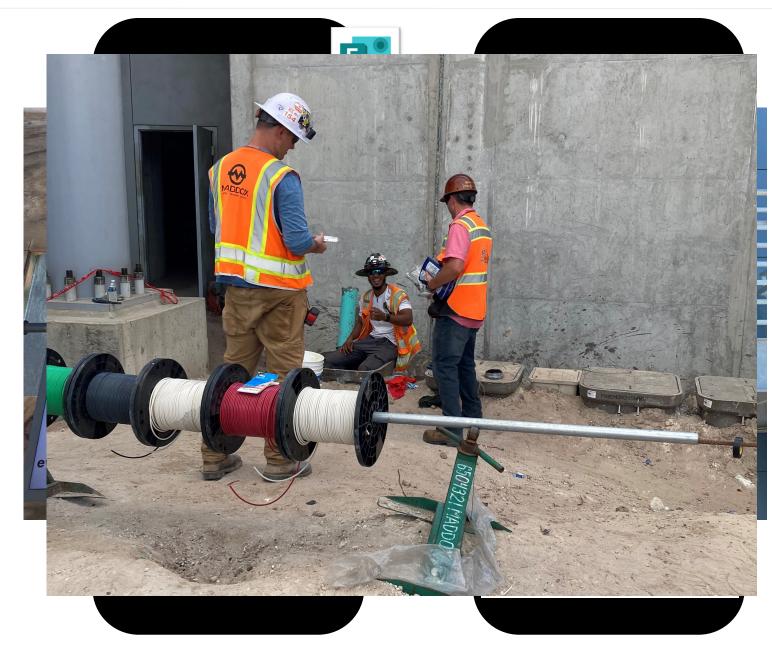
By cultivating an **environment** based on **care** and **enthusiasm**.



Source: TradingView_United States Job Offers, 1W, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 36% above 50 MA, 109% above 200 MA

We Accomplished A Culture Of Care

- Improving relationships via transparency and listening
 - Free tools Microsoft Forms and Polls
 - Posts displayed on TV
- Supporting workers needs
 - Gave out popsicles
 - Hired on-site medic
- Changing perceptions of the safety position
 - Life Optimization Specialists
 - Assess current performance for safer alternatives



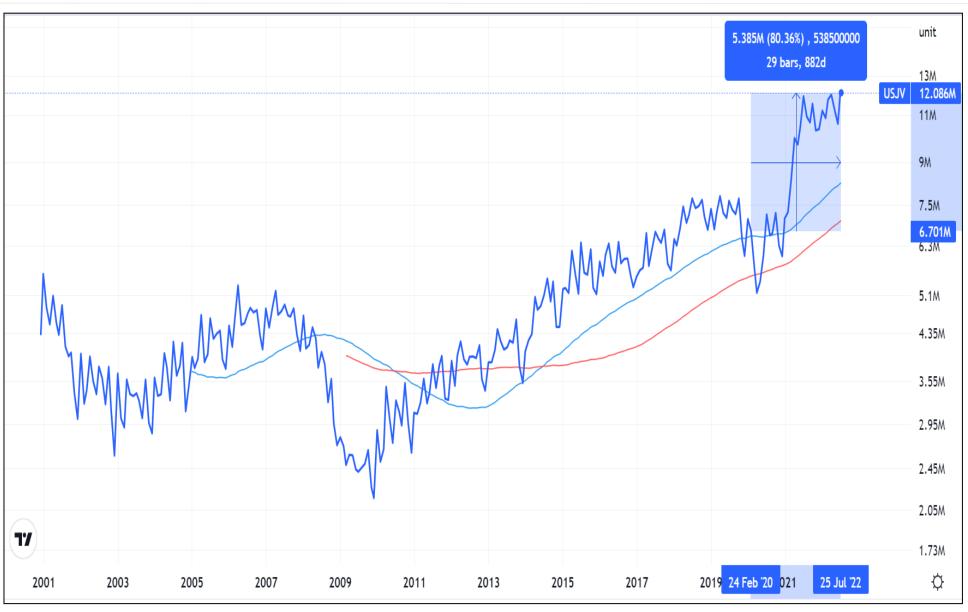
We Created Safety Enthusiasm!

- The relationships developed based on mutual respect and support
 - Invest in relationships
 - Show genuine interest
 - Know their name
 - Get them to deliver safety topics
 - Eat with them
- Thanks, we gave
 - Rewarded safety committee participation
 - Regularly luncheons with prizes
 - Unique experiences
- Times we were sought out



Consider the following

- What are your safety selling points?
- How are you helping workers be better versions of themselves?



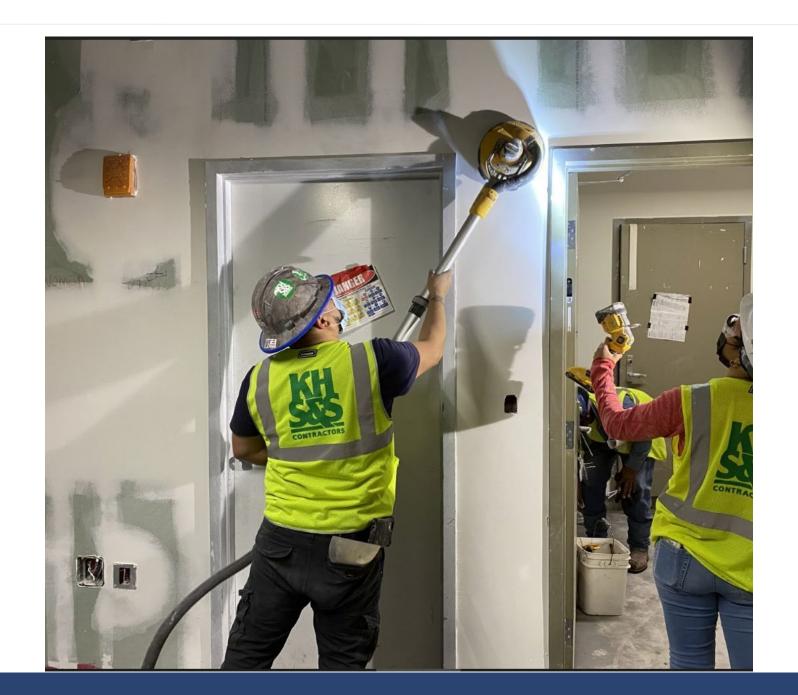
Source: TradingView_United States Job Vacancies, 1W, Bureau of Labor Statistics. 47% above 50 MA, 124% above 200 MA

Part 3: Gemba Walks for Safety



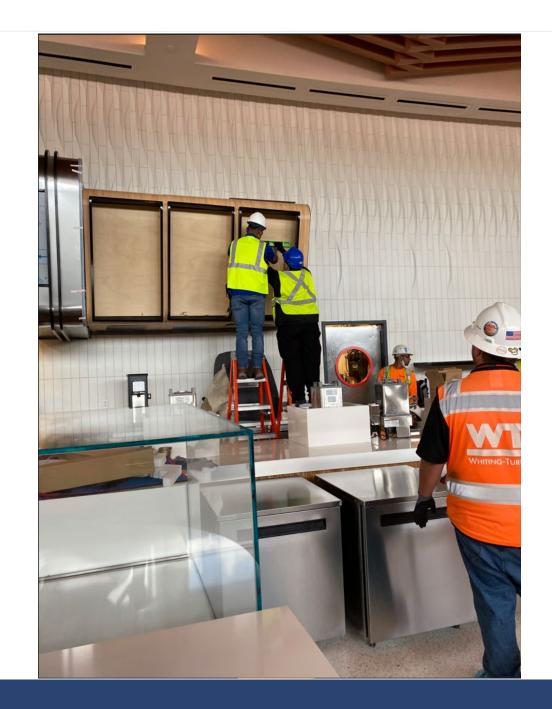
Focused Field Walks

- 1-hour field walk with a safety lens
- A two person team, one field, one office
- There is a rotation so that the responsibility is shared
- All safety conversations are documented into Target Zero
- Looking to improve processes and site conditions not just compliance



Benefits of Gemba walks

- Culture building for site workers
- Educational for management staff
- Non compliance issues are being seen and corrected in real time
- Hazard recognition knowledge is being built throughout the site
- The team is sharing experiences to benefit the safety of everyone
- Helps identify underlying safety issues that would normally go unnoticed in day to day management tasks



Conclusion



Benefits of Implementing Lean Safety Practices

- Increase Productivity through higher morale
- Planning ahead cuts down on work stoppage
- Limits worker turnover
- If safety is important, production and quality will be as well
- We are training the future leaders in our industry





How can you apply this tomorrow?

- Provide attendees some specific examples they can take back to their workplace in this chart. A
 guide of "where to start."
 - Start implementing safety into your planning sessions
 - Document and notify workers about safety (doesn't have to be as elaborate as Target Zero)
 - Implement Gemba safety walks with your team













In the spirit of continuous improvement, we would like to remind you to complete this session's survey! We look forward to receiving your feedback.



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