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## **Construction summit coming to Bend**

*“Safety – Take it to the next level” theme of 2011 conference*

(Salem) – Workers and employers in Oregon’s construction industry are invited to attend a full-day conference on Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2011, that is designed to highlight safety with hands-on training.

The Department of Consumer and Business Services, Occupational Safety and Health Division (Oregon OSHA) is one of several partners presenting the Mid-Oregon Construction Safety Summit at the Riverhouse Resort and Conference Center in Bend.

SAIF Corporation President and CEO Brenda JP Rocklin will open the conference. SAIF, Oregon’s state-chartered workers’ compensation insurance provider, has been a conference supporter since its inception. Rocklin is expected to emphasize the importance of safety as a key workplace value and the significance to the Oregon economy of safe workplaces.

The conference, designed for residential and commercial construction workers, is themed “Safety – Take it to the next level.” Continuing education credits are pre-approved for the Construction Contractors Board, Building Codes Division (for plumbers and electricians), and Landscape Contractors Board. Conference attendees can also choose from 13 different classes, such as fall protection and managing risk. Some of the other topics include:

- Advanced electrical safety
- Work zone safety – flagging course
- Remodeling and lead safety
- Oregon excavation law
- Safety committees/safety meetings

The registration fee is \$50, or \$60 after Jan. 20, 2011. For the flagging certification, there is a \$15 fee. For more information or to register, go to [www.orosha.org/conferences](http://www.orosha.org/conferences).

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