

**TRENCHING & EXCAVATING  
CONFINED SPACES  
COMPETENT PERSON**

On-site – Classroom  
7 Hours – Road Scholar Credits

**APRIL 20, 2022** (Wednesday) 9:00 am – 4:00 pm **CST**

Bismarck Public Works Dept. Building • 601 S 26th St, Bismarck ND

**APRIL 21, 2022** (Thursday) 9:00 am – 4:00 pm **MST**; 10:00 am – 5:00 pm **CST**

Fairfield Fire Hall, 12815 20th St SW, Fairfield, ND – **Lunch is sponsored by Billings County**

**FEE \$25** – (covers cost of refreshment breaks and printed materials)

Registration Deadline: 1 week prior to training



**Trenching and Excavating Safety Practices**

Topic covered in this training:

- Violations
- Competent person requirements
- Inspections
- Soil classification
- Protective measures
- Access & egress

**Working Safely in Confined Spaces**

Many workplaces contain areas that are considered "confined spaces" because while they are not necessarily designed for people, they are large enough for workers to enter and perform certain jobs. A confined space also has limited or restricted means for entry or exit and is not designed for continuous occupancy. Confined spaces include, but are not limited to, tanks, vessels, silos, storage bins, hoppers, vaults, pits, manholes, tunnels, equipment housings, ductwork, pipelines, etc. This course will:

- identify the four categories of hazards of confined spaces
- describe examples of confined spaces found in road construction
- recognize the responsibilities and duties of a competent person
- recognize the training and rescue requirements for personnel involved with confined spaces

**Competent Person – Who is that and what do they do?**

A competent person ("CP") has the following qualities:

- Capability
- Specific Knowledge
- Authority



**INSTRUCTOR:**

**Steve Fischer**, North Dakota AGC Safety Director, joined the AGC team in November of 2021. He retired from the ND Highway Patrol in 2020 after a 21½-year career and had approximately 25½ years total in law enforcement. Steve instructs a variety of construction industry safety courses, which can be found on the AGC of ND website. He is a lifelong resident of ND, growing up in Ashley. Steve graduated from NDSU with degrees in sociology and social science.

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