

# Asset Management Safety Bulletin: Safety Alert!



## Always Follow Scaffolding Standards and JSA Procedures

### Near Miss

#### Scaffold Blew-Over During The Night



A near miss occurred when a scaffold blew-over during the night after being moved into an open area. The scaffold was erected by a sub-trade and left in place after they completed their work for the day. Another contractor needed access to the area and moved the scaffold into the open fenced construction zone. The wind gusts during the night blew-over the unsheltered scaffold. No one was injured.

### What can we learn from this event?

#### Proper POST procedures must be followed

- Proper POST and JSA procedures must be completed and followed. The JSA for the scaffolding task did not include securing the scaffold to the building when the workers left the site.
- Ensure all scaffolding is secure or dismantled prior to leaving the site for the day.
- If equipment or material on a jobsite does not belong to you, it is necessary to discuss the equipment or material with the responsible party prior to moving or operating.
- Be aware of wind loads and how they affect free standing structures.
- Workers must be aware of their working surroundings including potential hazards that may arise after they leave the site.

**Stop and Think - Always Perform a Comprehensive Job Safety Analysis**