

Each week the Mathers Safety Team meets to review on site incidents and track trends across the company in an effort to increase transparency and to develop proactive plans to mitigate reportable incidents.

## RIGGING

Rigging safety is a critical part of work when Rigging is used to lift heavy materials to heights with cranes and other devices. Improper rigging of a load or a rigging failure can expose riggers and other workers nearby to a variety of potential hazards.

Over the years, workers have been seriously injured or killed while working with or near rigging operations. To protect workers against accident, OSHA has established "crane safety" regulations which apply to both industrial and commercial construction work. These standard cover a number of areas, including:

- Design, construction and safe use of rigging equipment
- Best practices for lifting, moving, and lowering loads.
- Standard hand signals that should be used in crane operations
- ... and more.

A safe rig includes proper planning, routine inspections and high level of alertness from all parties during the lift.

## **MATHERS, CREATING A PLAN**

To ensure that the proper safety measures are taken, and lift plans are thorough, the Mathers Construction Team Leadership has identified Drew Ledford as the designated point of contact for all lift plans. Drew will work alongside the safety team to create plans for the large cranes, spider crane and any "non-routine" lifts that will require rigging with a forklift.

The key to creating a plan that is thorough and actionable is to start the process early, all requests should be made no less than three weeks ahead of the scheduled lift.

## BETTER TOGETHER

Lastly, remember that "none of us is as smart as all of us" (Ken Blanchard). We encourage you to use the Safety Observation Reporting tool to give shoutouts to team members as well as to report concerns you may have.

