TOOLBOX TALK

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1. Definition:

A confined space is any space large enough for a person to enter, has restricted means of entry or exit, and is not designed for continuous occupancy. Work involving permit spaces must be viewed as a process; safe entry is just a start. You want to enter, complete your work, and exit safely.

2. A permit-required confined space is any space that has:

- potentially hazardous atmospheres (asphyxiating, flammable, or toxic), or
- conditions where engulfment, entrapment, or other serious hazards may exist or develop, or
- an internal configuration such that an entrant could be trapped or asphyxiated by inwardly converging walls or by a floor which slopes downward and tapers to a smaller cross section, or
- any other recognized serious safety or health hazard.

3. Breaching the permit required confined space:

• Breach can be defined as any part of a person's body (ex: hand, foot) entering the space. Equipment may breach the space (ex: hose, pump), however, two people must be present until grates are properly back in place.

World Stone recognizes the waste water pit area in World Stone's plant as a confined space that shall not be breached by any person without proper permit.

