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# **Purpose**



Recognise the collective effort of relevant MTIA PO and their respective delivery partners to support the safe delivery of MTIP and improved health and safety performance outcomes



Identify and promote efforts of MTIA Delivery partners, including subcontractors, workers and other relevant parties to continue to explore and realise opportunities for continuous improvement in H&S systems, processes and technology



Enable the sharing and promotion of leading H&S practice activities across MTIA and with the broader construction industry that support and influence sustainable H&S improvements across the industry.



Encourage MTIA POs and delivery partners to broaden their focus and purposefully seek out and promote positive H&S practices and innovations



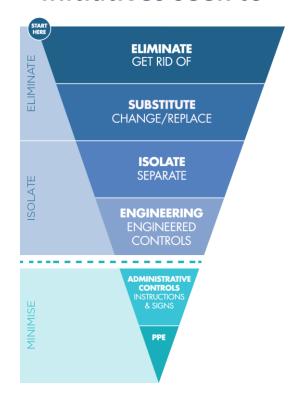
Utilise an existing MTIA-wide safety promotional initiative, the MTIA Leading Safety Practice (LSP) publications, for the purposes of the Awards Program application to expand the library of H&S publications.



Acknowledge and celebrate the collective H&S contribution of the MTIA PO and their respective delivery partner

# MTIA HEALTH & SAFETY AWARDS

### **Initiatives seek to**



# Common risks addressed









2. Working in and around mobile plant



6. Mobile cranes and lifting operations



3. Working with temporary works



7. Electrical work



4. Working with live services



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# **Award Categories**



### **CEO Delivery Safety Award**

✓ A health and safety initiative, program or innovation that provides improved health and safety outcomes for project delivery.



### **Director-General Innovation Award**

✓ A health and safety initiative, program or innovation that is future focused.

Major Transport Infrastructure Authority's Health and Safety **Program-wide Award** 

### **MTIA Program-wide Award**

✓ A health and safety initiative, program or innovation that has potential for program wide adoption.

# **Scoring Criteria**

- ✓ **Injury Prevention** assessment against the Hierarchy of Control
  - High (Engineering/Substitution/Engineering) to Low (Administration/PPE)
- ✓ Implementation Cost qualitative assessment
  - Perception that cost is commensurate with hazard it is controlling
- ✓ Ease of Use and Utilisation simplicity of its use and re-use
  - -Barriers such as complexity, specialist resource etc.
- ✓ Degree of Innovation
  - Use of existing technology in a new/novel way, new solution, add-on to existing solution
- ✓ Leading Safety Practice publication
  - Well written, use of visuals to assist understanding, clear case for benefit etc
- ✓ Award specific scope
  - Delivery Award, Innovation Award or Program-wide Award



MTIA CFO's Health and Safety **Delivery Award** 



# **Shortlist**







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T-LOK STEEL WEDGE PIECE

- SAFETY BARRIER













MTIA CFO's Health and Safety Delivery Award



# High Commendation





# Major Road Projects Victoria Seymour Whyte Constructions - Keep Ballarat Moving

LEADING SAFETY PRACTICE 0060/27022023

#### REDUCING PLANT OPERATING ZONE **RISK USING TECHNOLOGY**



The Stop It remote E-Stop system replaces original E-Stops on mobile and fixed plant with the added functionality of remote activation.

The solution



The Stop It system is installed in place of the

regular E-Stop and adds remote functionality

to plant and equipment. This allows

and communication difficulties

authorised spotters to stop the machine

from up to 100 meters away without delays

that are sometimes caused by radio chatter

This design eliminates the need for the

plant and equipment. The Stop It system

is a simple, cost effective device that is

easily fitted in place of the regular E-Stop.

spotter to enter the operating zone of



Thompson Safety Stop It - remote E-Stop system installed on a project excavator (left). Spotter's remote activation of E-Stop system simulating

#### The situation

Every year, serious incidents occur due to plant and people interaction across enclosed worksites and sites that interface with public areas.

A common industry control is the use of a spotter under positive communication strategies to manage high risk hazards such as overhead or underground services and plant / people interfaces.

However, in serious events where every second counts, positive communication methods can result in delayed or undeliverable communications between operator and spotter.

An alternative to positive communications are E-Stops, which are installed on mobile to allow immediate deactivation of the plant. However, the location of the F-Stop on mobile plant requires a person to enter the plant operating zone to activate



watch video of

for a wide range of plant and equipment. The trial implementation of Stop It deemed the device as effective in the following circumstances: When height and slew restrictors are

- not available or deemed ineffective on mobile plant Where spotters are required to maintain
- large exclusion zones from plant and equipment When safe exclusion zones cannot
- · Low cost and (often) direct replacement installation with minimal down time

#### Benefits and learnings

- When fitted to a wheeled excavator there is residual inertia movement after the machine is shut down. This did not diminish the benefits of the device and when fitted to tracked excavators, shut down occurred with minimal movement from inertia
- Low cost: \$896.90 ex GST, plus \$20 freight. Often direct replacement installation with minimal down time required.
- . Installation is simple and can be done by an Auto Electrician.
- · Easy to fit and transfer to other plant and swap back to original set ups.
- Retains manual function of the E-Stop with no impact to plant/equipment insurances and warranties.
- · Frequencies are interchangeable, and 'fob's can be upgraded to include multiple equipment (up to 5).
- · Multiple fobs can be applied to one wireless e-stop unit
- · Eliminates lag in response times caused by congested radio channels and/or communication difficulties.

Program Office: MRPV Work Package: Keep Ballarat Moving Principal Contractor: Seymour Whyte Constructions

Solution Vendor: Thompson Safety Pty Ltd Contact: Mike Thompson





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MTIA CEO's Health and Safety **Delivery Award** 



# Winner





# North East Link Program WeBuild – Spark (Central Package)

LEADING SAFETY PRACTICE 0076/27062023

## HAND ARM VIBRATION AWARENESS AND ELIMINATION

Increasing knowledge of hand arm vibration and the implementation of remote equipment to eliminate exposure.



Spark developed a significant hygiene monitoring program to quantify anticipated health hazards, focusing on higher risk exposure groups.

breakback with jack hammers wer identified as high risk and a focus placed on considering risk controls to reduce a range of health hazard including Hand Arm Vibration (HAN



The traditional method of manual concrete breaking exposing worker significant levels of hand arm vibration (left), the use of mechanical a that eliminates any hand arm vibration (right).

#### The Situation

Spark developed a significant hygiene monitoring program where the team focused on reducing the health hazards associated with manual concrete breaking, namely hand arm vibration. The team monitored hand arm vibration during pile breakback, trialling the effectiveness of different tools and methods to reduce or eliminate worker MAV.

The team identified that different manual breakers provide different tevels of HAV to the operator. Additionally limitations were identified with each of the different types of manual breakers and the time that it took for the operator to meet their allowable limit of HAV was wide spread (in some instances as little as 1.5 hours of a 8 hour shift).

#### The Solution

The solution was in focusing on elimination which came in the form of a remote-controlled unit that completely eliminated the HAV and the physical exertion hazard to the operator.

The Brokk unit is a revolutionary solution for eliminating he health hazards of HAV and physical exertion in the task of manual breaking. Commonly used for pile breakhack, the unit allows operators to control the concrete breaking process from a sale distance using a remote control. By removing the need for district operator involvement, it effectively eliminates the transmission of HAV to the worker's hands and arms.

Additionally, the unit handles the heavy lifting and breaking tasks, reducing physical strain and minimizing the risk of musculoskeletal injuries.

The unit's precise control capabilities enable efficient and accurate breaking, enhancing productivity while eliminating the need for manual effort.

#### Benefits and learnings

The limited knowledge in the industry regarding HAV has highlighted the need for better understanding and awareness of this health hazard.

The available tools for reducing HAV levels during manual breaking of piles have their limitations, resulting in workers being exposed to high levels of HAV.

By focusing on increasing awareness and collecting data on HAV exposure, it has become evident that what was once perceived as a task for a single worker in a shift may actually require the involvement of four workers.

The remote controlled unit emerged as a valuable solution, aligning with the hierarchy of control by aiming for elimination of HAV exposure. This innovative tool completely eliminates HAV exposure for the worker, providing a safer and healthier work environment.

Furthermore, adopting mechanical means, for concrete breaking has proven to be more economical than relying on manual labor, providing additional benefits in terms of cost-effectiveness.



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MTIA Director-General's Health and Safety

**Innovation** Award



# Shortlist













LEADING SAFETY PRACTICE 0041/2202202







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MTIA Director-General's Health and Safety

Innovation Award



# High Commendation





### West Gate Tunnel Project CPB – John Holland

LEADING SAFETY PRACTICE 0087/30062023

## ACCURATE PLANNING AND INSTALLATION OF GIRDERS



The combination of sophisticated software applications and lifting innovations were used for the first time on a project globally to accurately plan and install steel girders.

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Live survey monitoring during installation of steel girder

#### The Situation

Construction required 465 main beam lifts, including single girder, on-ground combined/spiced girders and steel portals, ranging in weight between 3 and 500 tonnes. These included complex lifts constrained by water, road or rail, with limited access and time constraints due to occupation periods.

During high complexity steet girder installations, on ground steel rectification and rigging adjustments can be required in order to compensate for variables such as thermal changes and differences between design and actual weight measurements within fabrication tolerances. If the girders do not line up, the girder must be grounded again, and the rigging length manually adjusted.

Standard methodology exposes surveyors and riggers to potential safety risks, due to required physical proximity to the suspended load and during any on ground nework.

#### The Solution

Models of each girder were developed using 3D Finite Element Analysis (3DFEA) software. During fabrication, weight data and surveyed deflections were fed into the model for calibration. CPBJH provided calibrated tool cells to the steel girder and portal fabricators to obtain measured weights and centres of gravity and eliminate uncertainty when planning the lifts.

The accuracy of modelling resulted in only very minor adjustments needing to be made during the lift to line up the girder angle with the previously installed girder spice face. This allowed for Synt-Hoist rigging equipment to be used which adjusts the rigging length mid-air. Magnetic prisms were pre-attached to the girders before lifting and SpatialAnalyzer software used by the survey team to monitor the lift in real time.

#### Benefits and learnings

This process has been successfully used on girders and portals. The accuracy enabled the girder to remain secure for the entirety of the lift through to final load release.

The survey team monitored lifts from a safe distance. Adjustments of rigging using the Synchloist eliminated the safety risks associated with surveyors, riggers and other workers in proximity to a suspended load and during any on ground rework.

The requirement to work in tight restricted spaces around the installed girder was minimised by knowing the exact installation requirements. Teams could focus on specific areas, eliminating delays associated with nework during occupations.

#### Cost Benefit

The estimated cost to resolve a girder not fitting into position is approximately \$350,000.

This method eliminated the need to perform a series of pre-shift checks, taking 3 to 4 hours, which generally requires an extra shift.

Total saving estimated at approximately \$11 M.

Program Office: West Gate Tunnel Project Work Package: East Zone Principal Contractor: CPBJH Solution Vendor: 3DFEA software, Spatial Analyser (SA) software, SyncHoist Contact: Cain Ewin 0419 868 895 cain.ewin@wgtp.com.au



















MTIA Director-General's Health and Safety

Innovation Award



# Winner





# Major Road Projects Victoria BMD Constructions

LEADING SAFETY PRACTICE 0061/27022023

## USING DIGITAL REHEARSALS TO PRACTICE CRITICAL RISK ACTIVITIES



4D Technology was used for a major lift during a rail and road occupation. Multiple simulations conducted in the planning stage to identify challenges, reduce risk and improve delivery methods.

au modelling was developed to allow delivery teams to visually sequence works and understand how the planned activities fit within the time and geographical constraints of the site while also assessing and addressing safety risk.

Simulations were presented to the workers to communicate the method and safety controls, allowing those performing the work an opportunity to provide input and raise concerns prior to commencement, in a manner that also reduced language and educational barriers.



#### The Situation

The Barwon Heads Road Upgrade, Work-Package 2 (BHRU2) required a bridge erection over rail. This required a short occupation of both the rail corridor and Barwon Heads Road.

Detailed planning was required to ensure the work was uninterrupted, and that the work could be conducted safely by all participants.

Standard practice for this involves a written method statement and drawings, which is used to communicate the construction methods. A Sale Work Method Statement's (SWMS's) is developed to minimize and manage the inherent safety risk. These method statements' are the key communication tool regarding how the activity will be constructed safety.

However, industry experience highlights that many construction workers struggle with understanding the written form of communication, e.g., English as second language, varying levels of literacy.

#### The Solution

The benefits and learnings of the LSP 0003/22052020- Improving Occupation Visualisation With 4D Models was reviewed for understanding of 4D model opportunities and what more it could be used for.

- On BHRU2 4D modelling was implemented for:
   specific high-risk activities (Working at heights-Installation of Beams)
- the planning stages of the works and enabling identification of specific details like the size of Elevated Work Platforms (EWP) to be procured
- identification and preparing of suitable areas for where the beams could be stored and transported
- works prestart to enable all workers to understand the programming of the works and allow for feedback on any issues, hazards etc that were not initially identified. This method of communication also assisted those workers that had reading or language difficulties.



Scan QR Code to watch video of Barwon Heads Road Upgrade, Work Package 2 – Beams Installation Digital

#### Benefits and learnings

4D presentations help workers understand high-risk activities before they occur, leading to better hazard identification, feedback and ultimately improved safety controls.

Benefits of using 4D presentations:

- effective in visually presenting a high-risk activity to work crews
- presenting in group training or induction session allows workers to visually understand where their work fits into overall activities
- high level of feedback compared to a written SWMS eliciting conversations with issues, proposed method and safety controls
- aid visual communication and help workers with limited English or literacy skills comprehend work method statements and SWMS
- · demonstration of consultation with workers

During occupation, there were no stoppages and finished 2 days shead of schedule. Modelling and refining cost \$52K and took 8 weeks. Costs per day during the closure was around \$100K, by preventing half at day of delay the investment in paid for itself.

Program Office: Major Road Projects Victoria

Work Package: Barwon Heads Road Upgrade Work Pack 2

Principal Contractor: BMD Constructions
Solution Yendor: Bentley Synchro 4D
Contact: Andrew Easdale (BMD Senior Project Manager)
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Program-wide Award



# Shortlist







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Major Transport Infrastructure Authority's Health and Safety

Program-wide Award



# High Commendation





# Major Road Projects Victoria McConnell Dowell / Seymour Whyte - Healesville Koo-Wee Rup Road Upgrade

LEADING SAFETY PRACTICE 0055 / 23012023

#### TRISIGN - REMOTE-CONTROLLED MULTI-MESSAGE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SIGN



TriSign reduces traffic safety risks by providing remote controlled multi-message traffic signage



#### The Situation

Healesville-Koo Wee Rup Rd is a two-lane, dual direction single carriageway road carrying over 20,000 vehicles per day. It is high speed (currently 60km/h. reduced from 100km/h due to safety concerns), with no median separation and very narrow (or nil) shoulders.

To manage traffic on this road, traffic controllers from the Healesville Koo Wee Rup Upgrade project would enter this dangerous environment daily to set up and pack up multi-message frame signs at the beginning and end of shifts. This requires the use of either a Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) and/ or a shadow vehicle, crawling up the 10km long alignment. This resulted in the exposure of traffic controllers to traffic related safety risks and traffic disruption for the travelling public.

As a result, the project decided a fresh annmach was required to limit the exposure of traffic controllers to live traffic.

#### The Solution

The TriSign is a next-generation multi-message frame sign for traffic management. The TriSigns replicate a traditional 1200x900mm multi-message frame sign, with each TriSign unit able to incorporate 3 pre-determined sign face arrangements.

The TriSigns can be operated remotely via an Android tablet app to display the desired arrangement. This allows traffic controllers. to be positioned away from the live traffic flow and eliminates the associated risks during traffic management sign changes. Sign face changes are powered by a solar panel atop each unit and occur in a matter

On the Healesville Koo Wee Rup Rd Project over 45 Trisign units have been installed as part of the project's long term traffic management arrangements. The Trisigns are installed at regular intervals and pole-mounted for improved visibility.

The Trisign positions and signfaces were determined as part of the standard Traffic Guidance Scheme design process. Each signage change is recorded and timestamped providing a verifiable record of which signage arrangement was in place at any point in time.

#### Benefits and learnings

· Improved worker safety by reducing the need for traffic controllers to

- maintain and change signage on road Improved driver safety by reducing interactions with traffic management crews during setup.
- Reduced traffic controller fatique and recovery time.

#### Productivity

#### · Reduced traffic delays.

- · Improved setup and pack down time (by up to 70 %), increasing site productivity and/or achieving reduced time under traffic control.
- · Reduced traffic controller demands. Reduced cost of setup, i.e., less need for TMAs, advanced warning vehicles. traffic management crews, etc. (cost savings of approx \$1200-1500 per shift)

#### Quality and consistency

- Signs less likely to be disrupted by passing traffic as they are mounted on posts.
- Has wide application potential across sites with traffic management requirements and associated risks

Work Package: Program F - Healesville Kop Wee Rup Rd Principal Contractor: McConnell Dowell / Seymour Whyte

Solution vendor: Safetek Solutions Contact: David Hardy MRPV - Area Safety Manager



















Major Transport Infrastructure Authority's Health and Safety

Program-wide Award



# Winner





## Level Crossing Removal Project – Western Program Alliance McConnell Dowell - Cranbourne Line Upgrade

LEADING SAFETY PRACTICE 0051/24122022

#### AMOSS UPLIFTS FOR LIGHT TOWERS



The Western Program Alliance (WPA) is increasing light tower safety by installing Automatic Mast Operating Safety System (AMOSS) Uplifts on mobile light towers that automatically lower the mast before the unit can be moved.



#### The Situation

Mobile light towers are an essential part of night-based construction works. Large modern construction sites require numerous light towers in close proximity to illuminate the works effectively. Additionally, light towers need to be mobile to illuminate works as they move around site.

Whilst invaluable during the night shift, the inverse can be the case during the day where mobile light towers can be seen as a nuisance.

These competing operational requirements result in different attitudes and behaviours, and sometimes, serious incidents. There have several instances of lighting tower incidents where individuals have a lapse of concentration and drive off with a light tower mast still elevated, resulting in contact and damage to overhead structures such as bridges or overhead powerlines and a risk of a serious injury.

#### The Solution

WPA realised by addressing human factors involved in mobile light tower operations, they could reduce related incidents. Consequently, WPA implemented an initiative to equip LED mobile light towers with AMOSS Uplifts; the first of its kind in Australia

The AMOSS Uplifts introduces a fail-safe mechanism, whereby the light tower mast is automatically lowered when the unit's key is turned off or the handbrake is disengaged. Lowering the mast drops the unit's centre of gravity, removing potential human factors and incident radius. This reduces incidents involving:

- Incorrect towing
- · Impact of wind
- · Mast raised longer than is needed · Not level and subsidence
- · Park Brake failure
- · Incorrect unit orientation
- Outrigger failure
- Operator error or inattention

#### Benefits and learnings

Eliminates, or significantly reduces, the cause of light tower incidents by automatically lowering the mast when the key is switched off, or the hand brake is disengaged, simplifying the operation and reducing room for human error.

Lowering the mast lowers the unit's centre of gravity and potential incident radius.

Easily installed on existing handbrake systems by a qualified fitter or mechanic.

The system has a cost of \$1200 per light tower plus the cost of install and fits most popular makes of light towers.

The system is tamper proof so the safety function cannot be turned off





















# MTIA HEALTH & SAFETY AWARDS

# Thank you all for participating.

Congratulations once again to the award winners and











#### **North East Link Program** WeBuild Spark (Central Package)

"Hand arm vibration awareness and elimination"



#### Maior Road Projects Victoria **Seymour Whyte Constructions** Keep Ballarat moving

"Reducing plant operating zone risk using technology"





#### **Major Roads Projects Victoria BMD Constructions**

Barwon Heads Road Upgrade Work Package 2

"Using digital rehearsals to practice critical risk activities"



#### **West Gate Tunnel Project** CPB - John Holland

East Zone

"Accurate planning and installation of girders"







#### **Level Crossing Removal Project** Western Program Alliance McConnell Dowell

Keep Ballarat Moving

"AMOSS Uplifts for light towers"



#### Major Road Projects Victoria McConnell Dowell / Seymour Whyte

Healesville Koo-Wee Rup Road Upgrade

"TriSign - Remote controlled multimessage traffic management sign "