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To: All Great Plains Region Employees

From: Michael J. Ryan /s/
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Subject: Safety for All Great Plains Region Employees

The Bureau of Reclamation has a grand legacy of water resource accomplishments in the western United States. For more than a 100 years now, we've developed and operated infrastructure to provide water and hydroelectric energy that serves as a basis for economies and improves the standard of living for countless individuals.

The foundation for these successes has been and continues to be Reclamation's employees. We have an obligation to provide them a safe and healthful work environment. When employees are hurt on the job, real suffering takes place. Suffering that can have a profound and lasting effect.

Safety is a responsibility we all share, and I need your help to ensure that we honor that commitment. I can't do it without you.

Please refresh your memory regarding Reclamation's health and safety regulations, policies, and procedures. Take a fresh look at our worksites to identify improvements and either correct them or bring them to the attention of your supervisor or other proper authority. Working together, I'm confident we can improve.

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