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The Association of Geohazard Professionals Announce Rope Access Safety Recognition Recipients for 2020

Association of Geohazard Professionals recognizes [Acadia Mountain Guides Climbing School](#), [BAT Construction LTD.](#), [Emil Anderson Construction \(EAC\)](#), [Gannett Fleming Inc.](#), [GeoBuild](#), [GeoStabilization International®](#), [Global Rope Access](#), [GZA GeoEnvironmental](#), [McMillen Jacobs Associates](#), [Pacific Blasting & Demolition LTD.](#), [Washington State Department of Transportation](#), and [Yeh and Associates, Inc](#) for their industry-leading Rope Access Safety programs. This recognition, honoring best-in-class safety development and implementation initiatives within the geohazard industry, distinguishes companies that foster & employ safe rope access work procedures, provide education & training to their personnel, and commit to enhancing the safety culture within their organizations. Criteria for consideration include:

- lowest TRC rate
- minimum combined 85-point score in leading and trailing safety indicator categories
- lowest Days Away and Restricted duty/job Transfer case (DART) rate.

Each applicants' safety program and performance metrics were reviewed, including Total Incident Rates and Lost Time / Modified Duty Rates statistics. Additionally, management involvement & commitment to the firm's safety program, written rope access safety procedures, and adherence to industry best practices were examined.

"On behalf of the AGHP and as a member of the geohazards community, I would like to extend my congratulations and sincerest gratitude to the recipients of the 2020 Rope Access Safety Recognition. This year we welcome five new companies as well as the return of our previous year's recipients for a total of 12. These are the companies leading the way in corporate responsibility for ensuring that their workers and those of their clients and the general public are safe from harm and can go home to their families at the end of the day. It is my hope that by

recognizing industry members that are committed to safety, we build a safety culture that will eventually encompass every organization working in our industry.”

Ahren Bichler,
President of the Association of Geohazard Professionals
General Manager, Trumer Schutzbauten Canada

For more information on the Rope Access Safety Awards, click [here](#). Applications for the 2021 awards will open in April 2021. To learn more about the Association of Geohazard Professionals and become a member, click [here](#).

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About the Association of Geohazard Professionals

The Association of Geohazard Professionals (AGHP) was created in 2013 to support the development of standards, specifications, and best practices concerning the design and implementation of geohazard-related technologies and products; and to support and provide education to the geohazard community and those it serves. Manufacturers, engineers, agency personnel, contractors and all others interacting with geohazards design, installation and implementation are invited to join the association and contribute to the achievement of our goals.