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**The Association of Geohazard Professionals Announce 2022 Rope Access Safety Recognition Recipients**

**Bridgewater, NJ, (January 31, 2022)** - The Association of Geohazard Professionals (AGHP) is pleased to recognize [Acuren Industrial](#), [Apex Rockfall Mitigation](#), [BAT Construction LTD.](#), [Emil Anderson Construction \(EAC\) Inc.](#), [Gannett Fleming Inc.](#), [GeoBuild](#), [GeoStabilization International®](#), [Global Rope Access](#), [GZA GeoEnvironmental](#), [HI-TECH Rockfall Construction Inc.](#), [McMillen Jacobs Associates](#), [New York State Parks and Recreation](#), [Pacific Blasting & Demolition Ltd.](#), [Washington State Department of Transportation](#), and [Yeh and Associates, Inc.](#) as recipients of the 2022 [AGHP Rope Access Safety Recognition Program](#). This program, honoring best-in-class safety development and implementation initiatives within the geohazard industry, distinguishes companies that foster and employ safe rope access work procedures, provide education and training to their personnel, and commit to enhancing the safety culture within their organizations. Criteria for consideration include:

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

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

“The AGHP's Rope Access Safety Recognition has continued to grow with 15 recipients for the 2022 program. This yearly growth shows that industry leaders in geohazard mitigation are taking rope access safety seriously and are proud of their efforts to keep their workers safe. We all know how dangerous the work is that these organizations are tasked with carrying out and that

accidents can happen, but through strong leadership, training programs, and meticulous planning, they are making our industry as safe as possible.” Ahren Bichler, President, Association of Geohazard Professionals and General Manager, Trumer Schutzbauten Canada.

Applications for the 2023 recognition will open in May 2023. For more information on the Rope Access Safety Recognition, visit the [AGHP website](#).

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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. Visit [geohazardassociation.org](http://geohazardassociation.org) to learn more.