

CASE STUDY
SERVICES & RESCUE

DATE: MARCH, 2009
PROJECT: CONFINED SPACE RESCUE TRAINING
2 DAY NON-IDLH
LOCATION: VICTORIA, BC

Canpro OH&S and Industrial Rescue Division was contracted by a municipality on Vancouver Island to provide a two-day, non-immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) confined space rescue training. The course was for workers in the municipality who enter confined spaces on a daily basis as part of their duties. Therefore they are required to have their own rescue capabilities.

Although we have conducted similar training previously, this was the first time this course was taught as an accredited Environmental Operators Certification Program (EOCP) Continuing Education Unit class. The EOCP issues credits to Operators in the wastewater industry who take authorized courses. A minimum number of credits per year is required to be qualified under the EOCP. The non-IDLH rescue course was Canpro's first course accredited by the EOCP, however Fall Protection and Confined Space Awareness are currently under review.

For this course, Canpro conducted training consisting of scenarios using a water reservoir, as a training prop as well as several manholes. Rescues were made from these confined spaces using both the horizontal and vertical accesses. A total of six scenarios were completed in these spaces including several patient packaging drills to polish the workers skills to where they can confidently effect rescue of one of their co-workers should a rescue need arise.



