

# FARM CONFINED SPACE EMERGENCIES—AWARENESS

## Program Description & Needs

*MANAGING  
AGRICULTURAL  
EMERGENCIES*

**PAgricultural  
Rescue Training**



This awareness presentation is designed to teach emergency responders how to recognize and initially manage (size-up) various farm confined space emergencies that they may encounter while arriving at the scene of an agricultural emergency and how to effectively preplan for farm confined space emergencies in their communities.

- **Intended audience:** emergency responders (fire, rescue, EMS).
- **Prerequisites:** member of an emergency response agency.
- **PPE required:** Standard emergency service duty uniform. Helmet, gloves, safety glasses, sturdy footwear.
- **Length/composition:** 4 hours of contact time consisting of 2 hours of classroom lecture/discussion; and 2 hours of individual and group hands-on activities. Active participation is required. Contact time does NOT include class breaks or travel time.
- **Minimum/maximum:** Minimum of 15/Maximum of 40.
- **Local resources needed:** farm to tour with as many of the following confined spaces as possible: an oxygen limiting (must have) and convention silo (must have), a grain bin, a manure storage pit, a bulk milk tank, well or septic tank, manure transfer pit; 4 gas meter capable of measuring oxygen, LEL, and H2S.
- **Con/Ed and certification:** PA DOH has awarded 4 hours. All PAgricultural Rescue training courses are objective based. All participants successfully completing the training will receive a course completion certificate.

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