

ASSP - LA Chapter | November 2025 Newsletter





Event Review | SoCal Joint Technical Symposium

On October 9th, the Southern California chapters of the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) and American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) hosted the Joint Technical Symposium. The event was sold out and had the largest exhibitor hall to date. The ASSP LA Chapter hosted the student room where emerging professionals had the opportunity to hear from a panel of speakers in a wide range of specialties. The Chapter was proud to be a part of the organization of this event and glad to see many of its members in attendance.

Save the date for next year - October 22, 2026!

Cal/OSHA Update | Confined Spaces

On September 18th, 2025, the Cal/OSHA Standards Board approved proposed revisions to the Confined Space regulations. Pending approval by the Office of Administrative Law (OAL), these changes are expected to take effect January 1, 2026. Key updates include:

- Changed the definition of a hazardous atmosphere for combustible dust from exceeding the Lower Flammable Limit to exceeding 20% of the minimum explosive concentration.
- Clarified procedures for identifying and evaluating permitrequired confined spaces
- Training programs must cover the written procedures

Mentorship and Emerging Professionals Programs

If you would like to be involved with the mentorship program, then please reach out to Jasmine San Nicolas at issannicolas@uscompliance.com.



Events

Virtual Meeting – Building an Effective Safety Committee

Date & Time: Nov. 20th, 2025, 11:50am -

1:00pm

Location: Virtual

Details: This virtual workshop will outline a comprehensive approach to forming and sustaining a successful Safety Committee.

Registration: Free, sign up here

Chapter Holiday Party

Date & Time: Dec 4th, 2025

Location: Luminarias Restaurant, 3500 W Ramona Blvd, Monterey Park, CA 91754

Details: Save the date - more info to come

Registration: TBD

2026 ASSP Region I Professional Development Conference

Date & Time: January 20th, 2026, 8:00am-

5:00pm

Location: DoubleTree in Pleasanton, CA Details: This annual conference features speakers and breakout sessions focused on Safety, Health, Industrial Hygiene, and Environmental issues.

Registration: \$199 regular, sign up here

MEMBER HIGHLIGHT: Jesse Ruiz

Jesse brings over 16 years of experience in Environmental, Health, and Safety (EHS), complemented by 15 years in the construction industry. He currently leads a Quality department that works closely with EHS functions. Throughout his EHS career, Jesse has been especially passionate about engaging leadership to drive behavioral change and enhance safety



The Los Angeles Chapter of the ASSP is dedicated to promoting the safety profession through increased public awareness and providing opportunities for networking and professional growth. To become a member or to ask any questions, please contact one of our Chapter officers (http://la.assp.org/chapter-officers/). Stay in the know - follow us on LinkedIn HERE.