

Regional Program Advisory Meeting

Date and Time: February 28, 2024, from 11:00am -1:00pm

Occupation Focus: Construction

Location: Zoom Meeting

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Key Takeaways

1. Workforce Trends
 - a. Real wages have grown over 11% in the Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction subsector between 2012 to 2022
 - b. Utility Systems Construction industry is expected to grow the most through 2028, with growth of over 20% percent.
2. Technology in Industry
 - a. Need to understand how to work with AI and utilize it to improve efficiency.
3. Essential Skills
 - a. For students to succeed in this sector they should have the following skills: Emphasis for the need to hone soft skills and learn the rest on the job and through training but need to be professional, on time, and know how to approach conflict is essential.
4. Further Collaboration
 - a. Incorporating apprenticeships into industry to make sure students have opportunities, being more inclusive and diverse.
 - b. Need to bring awareness and talent pool locally because the talent supply is there but bringing exposure is key.