

## Tool Talk Safety Meeting

Date – 5/28/2019

Topics – High Pressure Blowing: Air Wands & Hose Reels

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For trucks equipped with a hose reel and a high pressure blower wand the blower wand needs to be secured or removed when not in use. See the pictures below that illustrate correct ways to secure a blower wand and an example of an incorrect way to secure the blower wand attachment.



**Correct** – This truck does not have a holster for the wand. The air wand is not attached to the hose and is safely stored in the bed of the truck.



**Correct** – This truck is equipped with a holster for the air wand to go into. Notice that the hose is not kinked and the wand is secure in the tube holding it.



**Incorrect** – If the truck is not equipped with a holster do not secure the air wand by wedging it when not in use. Storing the hose in this manner weakens the hose where it bends at the coupler shortening the hose life and increasing the risk of the wand becoming dislodged and dragging on the ground when traveling.

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## Topics – Equipment Care; Record Keeping

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Great care and effort is taken to build and maintain our fleet. Accurate recordkeeping with clear, accurate and legible entries into the Mileage Log is important for our system. All fields are required to be filled out for trucks returning to the yard at the end of their shift. Compressor, Utility hours must also be filled out even if they were not used. If we don't get this information our PM schedule doesn't get updated in a proper manner.

Also, note any needed repairs (including small equipment repairs) on the repair log at the sign out area if you didn't note them on the repair log at the pumps. In addition, a verbal description of the problem to the mechanic helps decipher the issue and speeds up the repair. Verbal requests without written back up are likely to be missed.

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