It is that time of year…spring has finally sprung! Springtime may consist of excessive rain, light snow, winds, and heat depending on your location. Don’t let the unpredictable weather bring you equally unpredictable safety hazards that could delay your project. Be mindful and be prepared on your construction site, with materials and workers. Below are a few tips to remember heading into the warmer months.

**Cushion Your Construction Crews**

When the construction season gets in full swing, it’s time to spring into action. Take the winter and spring months to prepare and train crews effectively to ensure they have solid experience and appropriate licenses before things start to take off. Cross-train workers, when possible. Rainy days and allergies could delay your project, so pad your crew to ensure timely completion.

**Gear Up the PPE**

Construction safety equipment is paramount. Spring is an excellent time to go through all of your personal protection equipment (PPE), ensuring they are in good shape or replacing those that are broken, worn or torn. Spring can bring its own set of hazards to a job site, such as mud from a late snow or spring rains that can cause slipping hazards and bog down heavy machinery. Be prepared to avoid getting your heavy equipment stuck in the mud or putting your workers at risk.

**Invest and Refresh Marketing Techniques**

Hire a marketing company or choose to do it yourself (DIY), to ensure you are engaging on social media, updating your website, and even offering spring discounts, and/or deals. Ensure your number is super easy to find. Make your website helpful for visitors and customers. Create and post compelling video content of successful projects.

**Make Sure All of Your Heavy Equipment is Ready to Go**

Heavy equipment may have been largely idle during the long winter months. Thus, they may need a kick-start, to get them back into shape and ready to work. Now is a great time to go through your heavy equipment and perform regular maintenance needs, such as oil changes, fluid top-offs, and cracked parts replacement.

**Weather Conditions & Safety**

Spring storms are notorious for appearing out of nowhere, so it's best to have a contingency plan in place that your workers know and can easily implement when the weather takes a turn for the worse. Be mindful of wet conditions when using ladders or working on roofs or scaffolding. Dress in layers that can be removed as the day heats up and drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated.