



January 16, 2007

Forestry Fatalities as Reported by the Council

Date	Category	Description
January 23	Traveling to and from Work	A Ford 550 service truck rolled down an incline trapping the driver between the door edge, truck box and the sundeck of a home.
February 10	Log Hauling	A log truck driver was fatally injured when a deer struck the front windshield of his loaded log truck, entered the cab and exited through the rear window causing the truck to leave the highway where it struck and sheared-off a high voltage power pole before coming to a stop. It appears that the deer was initially struck by a small car traveling in the opposite direction. The collision with the car caused the deer to be flung into the path of the truck at the same height as the truck's windshield.
February 21	Other	A heavy duty equipment mechanic was run over by his service truck when it rolled backwards pinning him under the rear axle differential.
March 20	Log Hauling	March 20 A loaded logging truck went off a forest service road over an embankment.
March 8	Other	Operator was crushed between the front of his road grader and an empty log truck trailer.
May 3	Other	A worker was struck in the abdominal area while using hydraulic jacks to straighten the frame of a logging truck.
May 12	Yarding/ Mechanical Harvesting	A skidder operator and a de-limber operator were trying to find an oil leak on the processor head of the de-limber machine. The operator went back into the cab and contacted a lever that swung the processor arm around. The head of the processor hit the worker on the ground and knocked him onto the log pile resulting in fatal injuries.
May 26	Other	A tug boat operator fell into the river while conducting an inspection of a log boom prior to towing the boom.
November 6	Log Hauling	An empty logging truck was traveling eastbound. Highway conditions were poor with wet, heavy slush accumulations. A westbound semi-trailer, loaded with steel pipe was approaching the oncoming logging truck. The semi-trailer of the truck transporting pipe slid across the centre line, blocking the opposite lane. The logging truck collided with the semi-trailer causing extensive damage.
November 9	Log Hauling	A worker was found lying on a forest road after his empty logging truck rolled into a nearby embankment. It appears that the worker was adjusting his brakes when the truck rolled over him.
November 21	Yarding/ Mechanical Harvesting	A worker was crushed between the grab arms of a log processing head while performing maintenance on the head.