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FOREST INDUSTRY SAFETY ALERT

Property Damage

Location: West Pavilion FSR- near Lillooet BC

Date of Incident: August 18, 2008

Details of Incident:

An ATV was placed in the box of a full size pickup truck. The ATV was tied down using 4 tie down straps securing the four corners of the ATV to the hooks inside the box of the truck. The truck traveled approximately 250km (on highway) before reaching the West Pavilion FSR.
While traveling down the West Pavilion FSR a worker drove through a large dip in the road causing the ATV in the back of the pickup truck to bump into the rear window of the truck, breaking the window.

Recommended Preventative Actions:

- When traveling extended distances with an ATV in the rear of a pickup, check straps to ensure the ATV is secure prior to starting up a lower standard road.
- Check straps at each stop to ensure the ATV is secure
- Block tires of front of ATV to stop the ATV from reaching the cab of the truck in case of strap coming unsecured.

Additional Recommendations:

- Equip the pickup trucks with headache racks if ATV's are to be carried in the trucks.

For more information, please call:

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