BC **Forest Safety** Council
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FOREST INDUSTRY SAFETY ALERT

Close Call/Serious Incident

Interfor – Grand Forks Woods Division

Location: Southern Interior Forest Region

Date of Incident: May 7th, 2009

Details of Incident:

Worker picked up several wood ticks during the day, however, failed to find one which embedded itself in the worker's head

Recommended Preventative Actions:

Be more thorough about checking clothing and skin.

Review the BC Health Site which provides a good overview of the subject of ticks, and Lyme disease – link supplied:
http://www.healthlinkbc.ca/kbase/topic/major/hw77226/descrip.htm

If possible acquire and review the movie "Under Our Skin – Lyme Disease" – a film by Andy Abrahams Wilson

- **This movie discusses the fact that Lyme disease may not be as rare as it is assumed, and that leaving it untreated can lead to catastrophic health issues.. Information can be found at** http://www.underourskin.com/

For further information review the Canadian Lyme Disease Foundation found at:
www.canlyme.com

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