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DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

Log Truck Rolled onto Highway

The driver of a log truck was preparing to load his trailer at the trailer hoist. When the driver exited his truck they forgot to set the parking brake. After the truck was detached from the trailer, the truck rolled forward onto the highway.

The truck driver went after the truck and regained control as it entered the highway. A public vehicle traveling on the highway braked to avoid a collision with the logging truck.



SUGGESTED ACTIONS

- Never chase after a runaway vehicle due to the risk of being pulled under.
- Install speed bump at the trailer hoist to prevent trucks from rolling away.
- If the hoist is on a slope consider also requiring the drivers chock the wheels when exiting truck to detach trailer.

IMPORTANT TAKE AWAY

The use of wheel chocks whenever parked on a slope will help to eliminate runaway vehicles.





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