



Falling



BCFSC & WorkSafeBC Webinar – Wednesday, November 24, 2021

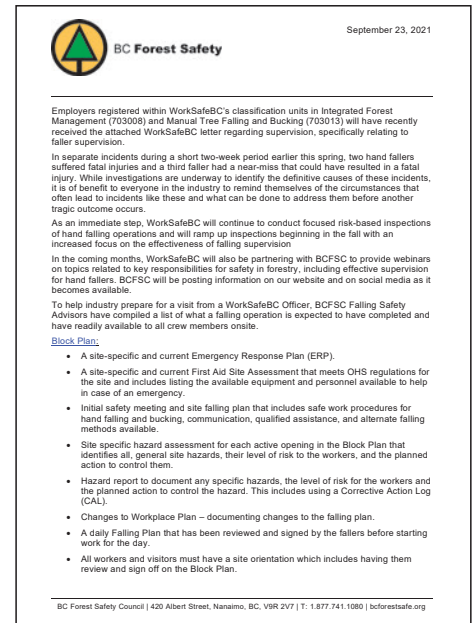
At the end of August, WorkSafeBC sent letters to employers registered in Integrated Forest Management (703008) and Manual Tree Falling and Bucking (703013) regarding supervision, more specifically relating to falling supervision. In response, the BC Forest Safety Council (BCFSC) sent information outlining what a falling operation is expected to have completed and readily available to all crew members onsite. Review this [communication](#) which can also be found on our website.

BCFSC and WorkSafeBC also partnered to host a webinar on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 from 9:00am – 11:00am. Discussion topics included effective supervision for hand fallers and key responsibilities for forestry safety. If you missed the webinar, a recording will be made

available in the coming weeks. Check our social media channels or our home page for a link to the recording. 📺



WorkSafeBC Letter



BCFSC Communication

The Sked® Stretcher System

During a recent advocacy visit, Falling Safety Advisor, David Adshead was introduced to The Sked® Stretcher, a revolutionary rescue basket option. The Sked Stretcher is a compact, versatile and durable emergency rescue stretcher designed to provide outstanding patient protection and security in any situation.

“If anyone has used a metal basket stretcher, you know how easily it gets caught in branches and brush, making it near impossible to move on your own. The Sked stretcher is rolled and stored in a sturdy, compact backpack which makes it really easy to move from one location to another.” explains Adshead.

Get more information on the [SKED stretcher](#). 📺



New Faller Training - Northwest Bay

The fall session of New Faller Training took place in Northwest Bay from September 27 – October 29, 2021. Thank you to Sam Stanko and Mike Bowater from Mosaic for supplying the timber site and their continued support of the program.



Left to right: Lead Trainer John Jacobsen, Assistant Trainer Wayne Miller, Participants Casey Harrison, Jesse Walters and Kevin Bartkowski, and Assistant Trainer Shannon Cupper. 🚧

Falling Safety Advisor Activities

2021 Falling Safety Advisor Activities as of October 31, 2021

- 10 Faller Certifications (4 New Faller Trainee, 6 Challenge)
- 5 Falling Supervisor Certifications
- 199 Faller Visits
- 7 Certified Falling Supervisor Quality Assurance Visits
- 36 Certified Falling Supervisor Visits
- 17 Trainer Quality Assurance Visits
- 18 Company Reviews 🚧

Upcoming New Faller Training for 2022

Two new faller training courses are scheduled for 2022. For questions about the program, please visit BCFSC website or email faller@bcforestsafe.org.

Course Dates 2022 (locations to be determined)

- April 4 – May 6, 2022
- September 26 – October 28, 2022

To register, please contact the College of the Rockies at 250-344-5901. 🚧