



## BASE Auditor Virtual Meetings

SAFE Companies will be conducting BASE auditor virtual meetings for internal auditors, external auditors, student auditors and staff to discuss SAFE and COR updates and answer your questions.

For those unable to attend the live sessions, BCFSC will record the sessions and post them on BCFSC's Learning Centre. Participants who attend the live sessions or enroll for the recorded sessions after they are posted, will receive a two hour credit towards auditor refresher training.

### Sessions:

- Tuesday, September 12, 1:00pm – 3:00pm
- Thursday, September 14, 9:00am – 11:00am
- Thursday, September 14, 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Contact SAFE Companies via email at [safeco@bcforestsafec.com](mailto:safeco@bcforestsafec.com) safe with further questions or to submit advance questions for the sessions. 🌲

## OHS Magazine Spotlights SAFE Certified Company Co-owner, Sig Kemmler

Sig Kemmler, 2011 recipient of BCFSC's Cary White Memorial Lifetime Achievement Leadership in Safety Award and managing partner of Integrated Operations Group Inc was recently featured in the Summer 2023 Edition of OHS Magazine.

Sig has an outstanding reputation as a forestry safety professional with decades of experience as the ground-based logging manager and faller and camp supervisor for Integrated Operations Group Inc. The company is based out of Duncan and Campbell River on Vancouver Island and have been SAFE and SEBASE Certified since 2015.

BCFSC SAFE Companies Safety Advisor, Terry Chow, visited their operation and float camp in Effingham Inlet this past May. Sid toured Terry through one of their cut blocks and stated Sid's crew and operations have a very good safety program and noted the OHS Magazine article is a good example of Sid's commitment to his crew's and operation's safety.

The OHS Magazine cover story "Heavy Logging, light risks: Keeping workers safe in high-risk environments means

treating them like humans" written by Senior Editor, Todd Humber, features a one-on-one interview with Sig Kemmler and provides his first-hand perspective on the importance of communication in high-risk forestry operations when various activities are occurring at the same time, also known as, Phase Congestion. It also speaks to managing human reactions during a

condition of upset' and provides some very real examples of simple behaviors and possible scenarios that could have potential for disaster when people aren't thinking clearly or become complacent.

Read Sid's article and many other valuable features in the Summer 2023 issue of OHS Magazine. 🌲

