

SAFETY ALERT

ATV FATALITY

INCIDENT DATE:

August 11, 2008



INCIDENT LOCATION:

NW of Edson Alberta

DESCRIPTION OF THE INCIDENT:

On a recently mulched seismic line, an Advance Drill Scout, operating an ATV, had driven up a hill crossing over two small trees (less than 4 inches in diameter) which had blown over after the slash clean-up and surveying had taken place. After meeting with the drill push, the scout turned around and proceeded back down the hill where he attempted to re-cross the fallen trees. It was during this attempt that the individual was thrown from the machine landing in a small clearing with the quad landing on top, this resulting in the fatality.

The individual had a number of years experience within the seismic industry and received pre-start-up jobsite orientation and complied with all necessary onsite certification.

OUTCOME:

All regulatory and law enforcement agencies were notified immediately regarding the accident. Alberta Occupational Health and Safety conducted their investigation with final report pending.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

To ensure all field personnel are taking the time to recognize, take action as required and report hazards regardless of size.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The ATV involved had a pre-start-up inspection along with a post incident licensed mechanic inspection and was found to be mechanically sound.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For further information on this matter please contact the CAGC.