

HEALTH AND SAFETY MESSAGE

SAFETY starts with *YOU*

We are ALL accountable for SAFE behavior

INCIDENT: County Line DATE: April 18, 2012 TIME: Day / Night

Major Hazards and Risks: Air Operation; T-Storms; Dehydration

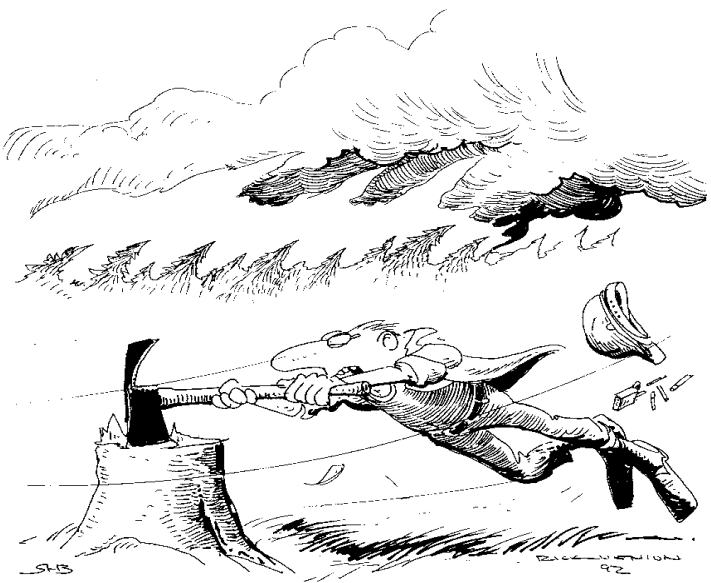
DRIVING – Drive defensively with lights on at all times. Wear your seatbelt. Anticipate oncoming traffic. Watch for wildlife and difficult roads. Do not use cell phone.

AIR OPERATIONS – Maintain positive **communications** with adjacent ground units and aircraft in your area. Use signal mirrors to signal pilot to your location. Ground crews must maintain a safe distance during water drops.

T-STORMS- A building or your vehicle is the safest place to protect you from lightning strikes. Avoid single large trees. See page 75 of the Incident Response Pocket Guide.

DEHYDRATION- It will be hot or hotter, so be aware of heat illness – heat stroke kills quickly and requires prompt medical attention. Drink lots of water on and off shift to keep hydrated.

Watch Out Situation of the Day



15. WIND INCREASES AND/OR CHANGES DIRECTION

Look Up, Look Down, Look Around

See IRPG Green pg 2

- ***Fuel Characteristics** – Assess prior to beginning operations.
- ***Fuel Moisture** – Read daily shift plan and assess on site.
- ***Atmospheric Instability** – Observe onsite indicators.
- ***Wind** – Measure, observe, feel and notice changes.
- ***Fire Behavior** – Monitor constantly prior to and during operations. Check fire behavior forecast.

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