

BASIC JOB SAFETY TRAINING GUIDELINES

TETHERED FELLING MACHINE/ OPERATOR

JOB TASK: Fell trees on steep slopes while supported by a cable tethering system

EMPLOYEE: _____

(please print)

Date: _____

- 1. Review company safety plan
- 2. Provide employee with a copy of Idaho Minimum Safety Standards for Logging to review job related rules.
- 3. Required safety apparel
- 4. Review hazardous communication and location of SDS sheets
- 5. First aid
 - First-aid card current First-aid kit location backboard location
 - 6. Emergency rescue
 - Cell phone and/or radio operation Job location
 - Who to contact (office/ State Comm. 1-208-846-7610, 1-800-632-8000)
- 7. Review tag-out and energy control procedures
 - Follow manufacturer's suggestions when doing maintenance (severe and fatal accidents have occurred while working on these type of machines)
- 8. Clear communication procedure
 - Go over with all employees working in the area EXACTLY how to approach your machine
 - Go over safety concerns with skidding crew (skidder, shovel logger, or grapple carriage)
 - Warn all loggers in the area of the PINCH POINT areas around the machine
- 9. Make sure warning signs are visible to the public
 - Flaggers may be necessary when felling trees along road ways
- 10. Take precautions to avoid SLIPS and FALLS while doing maintenance and getting on or off the machine (Injuries from simple slips and falls are becoming some of the most costly in our industry)
- 11. Cable inspection and documentation Section 701 page 98 Id. Min. Stand.
 - First fifty feet of cable and end connections must be inspected daily and documented in writing
 - Entire length of cable must be inspected on a monthly basis

12. You should inspect the welds on the point of attachment to the machine daily

13. The tether machine is more top heavy than a normal excavator, caution needs to be exercised when moving it. There is also chain that hangs down below the shieves to avoid with the tracks.

14. During start up of the machines go through the inspection checklist on the screen if the machine is so equipped.

15. Be aware when cutting ,of the cable trailing out behind the machine, as you swing around the cable may be off the ground and the head will get closer to the ground as you swing around pointing uphill.

EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE _____