



RADIO CALLING FOREST SERVICE ROAD STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE #2

These procedures apply to all Forest Service Roads in the Campbell River Forest District.
These roads may be radio assisted at this time, not radio controlled. Drive according to conditions.

DRIVE DEFENSIVELY – EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

Known Hazards

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| 1. Losing track of your location | 5. Unnecessary radio chatter |
| 2. Losing track of other vehicles location | 6. Using the wrong frequency |
| 3. Meeting oncoming vehicles without a radio | 7. “Talking over” other calls |
| 4. Not following calling procedures | 8. Being distracted |

1. “UP” is defined as increasing kilometre board numbers; “DOWN” is defined as decreasing kilometre board numbers.
2. Logging trucks call the road name followed by the kilometre position and then the direction of travel “UP” or “DOWN” for example a Logging Truck driving in the “DOWN” direction on the Zeballos FSR at 24 km will call “ZEBALLOS 24 DOWN”.
3. All vehicles other than logging trucks must identify themselves; pick-up, low-bed, fuel truck, grader, etc. (i.e.: “ZEBALLOS 6 DOWN PICK-UP”, “ZEBALLOS 12 UP GRADER”). Also, loaded logging trucks travelling in the “UP” direction should identify themselves as such (i.e.: “ZEBALLOS 26 UP loaded”).
4. Must call situations for both UP and DOWN vehicles are:
 - When entering a new road system;
 - At posted “must call” signs;
 - Whenever there is a road frequency/channel change, or when leaving a road;
 - Whenever you are stopping and parking on the road, and again when you resume; and
 - Whenever you encounter a vehicle traveling without a radio.
5. Convoy calling
 - The lead vehicle is responsible for calling for all vehicles in the convoy.
 - It is the responsibility of the vehicle joining or leaving the convoy to inform and to receive confirmation from the lead vehicle.
 - Convoys can be no more than 1 km long.
 - A vehicle more than 1 km behind the lead vehicle is no longer part of that convoy and must call its own position.
6. Never pass any vehicle without notifying them on the radio and receiving the “OK”.
7. Avoid distractions while monitoring the radio channel:
 - No unnecessary radio chatter.
 - Avoid noise distractions; i.e.: am/fm radios, phones, music players, passengers.
 - Stay on designated road channel at all times while traveling.

Follow the “3 C’s”: COURTESY COMMON SENSE CONCENTRATION