



# WEEKLY INCIDENT SITUATION REPORT

PERIOD: 19 Oct 15 to 25 Oct 15

EMBC Region	Search and Rescue			Dangerous Goods and Oil Spills	Motor Vehicle Incidents	Other (floods fire etc.)	General Enquiries and Info
	Air	Land	Inland Water				
Van Island	1	5	0	16	3	5	48
South West	0	9	2	26	2	5	57
Central	0	4	0	9	9	2	24
South East	0	3	0	6	3	1	31
North East	0	1	0	9	7	1	18
North West	0	2	0	3	2	0	14
Headquarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	470
Provincial Weekly Totals	1	24	2	69	26	14	662
Provincial Year to Date	22	795	210	2062	1118	449	24136
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	Weekly	Year to Date
Total Number of Incidents	136	4656
Protection Order Registry	116	3955
Problem Wildlife	989	23671
Wildlife Enforcement	249	5809

**SEARCH AND RESCUE INFORMATION - WEEKLY PERIOD: 19 OCT 15 TO 25 OCT 15**

DATE/TIME INCIDENT #	EMBC REGION	INCIDENT	ELT/ #VICTIMS	# EMBC VOL	LOCATED			COMMENTS
					ALIVE	DEAD	NO	
19 22:06 151001	NWE	INLAND WATER	2	1	2			A single Bulkley Valley SAR member was contacted by the RCMP to search the McDonald Lake FSR area of Smithers for a couple who failed to meet with their friends for dinner. Prior to initiating their response, the SAR team learned the couple were not lost, but had misunderstood where and when they were to meet.
20 00:21 151002	SEA	LAND	1	38	1			25 Nelson, 10 South Columbia and 3 Rossland SAR members along with 4 PEP AIR members, responded to search for a missing hunter in the Salmo area. The subject was located alive and well.
20 03:38 151003	SEA	LAND	2	20	2			1 Cranbrook, 2 Kimberley, 6 Creston, 3 Elkford, 3 Fernie and 1 Columbia Valley SAR members along with 4 PEP Air members searched the Bow River FSR area of Cranbrook for two overdue hunters. The subjects located alive and well.
20 10:01 151004	NEA	LAND	2	12	2			12 Peace River SAR members responded to search for two males reported missing from Blueberry Reserve. Both subjects were found, cold but otherwise in good condition and were flown out by RCMP helicopter.
20 16:23 151005	SWE	LAND	1	8	1			8 Whistler SAR members responded to rescue an injured person on Logger Lake Trail along the Cheakamus FSR. The injured person was rescued and turned over to BCAS.
21 02:43 151006	VIR	LAND	1	22	1			22 Arrowsmith SAR members responded to search for a lost mushroom picker in the Winchester Road area of Qualicum Beach. The subject was located and passed to BCAS for assessment.
21 19:56 151007	NWE	LAND	1	27	1			24 SAR member from Nechako Valley, Burns Lake, Fort St James and Prince George along with 3 PEP Air members responded to investigate a spot beacon activation in the Fraser Lakes area. One subject was located in good condition and SAR was stood down.
22 14:36 151008	VIR	LAND	1	12	1			12 Cowichan Valley SAR members responded to conduct a rope rescue after a resident fell over an embankment and was injured below his home on a cliff on the Malahat. The subject was successfully evacuated from the cliff and passed to BCAS.
22 15:16 151009	SWE	LAND	1	25	1			25 Surrey SAR members responded to search for a missing 81 year old male in the Bear Creek Park area. The subject was located alive and well and SAR was stood down.
23 20:32 151010	CTL	LAND	1	15	1			15 Nicola Valley SAR members responded to RCMP request to locate a 65 year old patient that had walked away from a care centre in Merritt. Subject was located alive and well and returned to the home.
24 00:10 151011	VIR	LAND	1	15		1		15 Comox Valley, Arrowsmith and Campbell River SAR members responded to search for a missing hunter in the Cruickshank Main Area of Cumberland. The subject was located deceased

								and was passed to the Coroner.
24 12:16 151012	SWE	LAND	1	17	1			17 Squamish SAR and North Shore Rescue members responded to rescue a subject possibly having heart attack on Alpha Bridge Trail. SAR used HETS to transport the subject out of the area where he was then transferred to BCAS.
24 12:45 151013	SWE	LAND	1	4	1			4 Pemberton SAR members responded to rescue a hiker suffering from heart palpitations while hiking in the Pemberton Meadows area. The subject was flown out and transferred to BCAS.
24 15:41 151014	VIR	AIR	ELT	1				1 PEP Air member was contacted regarding an ELT sounding at the Nanaimo Airport. JRCC then advised they knew that the ELT was in a specific aircraft on the ground and PEP Air resources were not required.
151015	SWE	LAND		4				4 North Shore Rescue members responded to investigate reports of a flare sighting in the Lynn Valley Area. Areas of interest to the RCMP were searched with negative results and SAR was stood down.
24 20:15 151016	CTL	LAND	3	8	3			8 Vernon responded to search for a father and two sons who became lost while hunting near Rollings Lake Road. SAR was stood down after all three subjects were located by another hunter.
24 22:25 151017	SWE	LAND	1	5	1			5 Pemberton SAR members responded to search for a missing mushroom picker in the Mackenzie Basin. SAR was stood down after the subject walked out on his own.
25 01:43 151018	CTL	LAND	1	1	1			1 Vernon SAR member responded to search for a missing intoxicated male near the O'Keefe Ranch in Vernon. The subject arrived home while the SAR team was preparing to muster.
25 06:39 151019	SWE	LAND	1	9		1		7 Pemberton and 2 Whistler SAR members responded to search for a hiker overdue since 24 Oct in the Cerise Creek area. The subject was located deceased in a crevasse. The Coroner requested that the SAR team recover the deceased, the next day.
25 11:02 151020	VIR	LAND	1	13		1		13 Campbell River SAR members responded to investigate a Spot Beacon signal just east of Bedwell Lake. On arrival, SAR members found that the beacon had been set off by two hikers on behalf of another group of seven hikers. One of their members had fallen 30' over a cliff and was deceased. The deceased subject was retrieved by Rope Rescue members and turned over to the RCMP and Coroner.
25 13:43 151021	SWE	LAND	2	27	2			27 Squamish SAR members responded by helicopter to rescue two climbers reported to have fallen 200 metres on the glacier at Sky Pilot Peak. One subject was airlifted out and passed to Air Ambulance and the second subject was transported by ambulance.
25 14:03 151022	SEA	LAND	1	8		1		8 Cranbrook and Kimberley SAR members responded to rescue an individual who suffered from cardiac arrest on a trail between New Lake and Scott Creek FSR. The subject was recovered deceased using HETS.
25 13:56	CTL	LAND	1	6	1			6 Central Okanagan SAR members responded to

151023								rescue an injured 60 year old hiker on a trail in the Kettle Valley. The hiker was passed to BCAS, suffering a knee injury.
25 15:23 151024	SWE	LAND	1	15	1			15 Squamish SAR members responded to assist with a cardiac event that involved a mountain biker at Cat Lake. SAR reached the subject and transported him out to BCAS on foot.
25 16:43 151025	VIR	LAND	27		21	5	1	14 members of West Coast Inland SAR responded to assist JRCC following an accident involving a whale watching vessel that capsized and sank at Plover Ridge off Vargas Island, near Tofino . The vessel had 27 people on board. SAR members assisted with patients arriving at the town dock. At the time that the team was stood down, a total of 21 subjects were rescued alive, 5 were located deceased and 1 person was missing.
25 19:26 151026	SWE	INLAND WATER		4				4 members of Kent Harrison SAR responded to assist distressed boaters by the Agassiz Rosedale Bridge. It was discovered that the boaters were not in distress and the SAR team was stood down.
25 19:54 151027	SWE	INLAND WATER		3				3 members of Coquitlam SAR responded to search for 2 young boaters in the Belcarra area. SAR was stood down by RCMP who indicated that the report was believed to have been erroneous.
<b>WEEK TOTAL</b>		27	55	320	45	9	1	ELT - 1
<b>YEAR TO DATE</b>		<b>1027</b>	<b>1463</b>	<b>10792</b>	<b>1330</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>ELT - 20</b>

## **WEEKLY INCIDENT REPORT 19 – 25 Oct 2015**

### **DANGEROUS GOODS**

On 19 Oct 2015, a fuel slick was reported on Okanagan Lake at Summerland. The incident was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) by the Ministry of Environment Response Officer (MOE RO) due to the potential for heightened media attention and possible pollution.

On 19 Oct 2015, a diesel or brown sludge slick was noticed in the Fraser River under Port Haney Wharf in Maple Ridge. The incident was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) by the MOE RO due to the potential for heightened media attention.

On 19 Oct 2015, a spill of H<sub>2</sub>S was reported on Kobes FSR near Hudson's Hope, BC. The incident was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) by the MOE RO due to public safety concerns. It was later reported that the spill was actually a controlled sweet gas release from a neighboring company.

On 19 Oct 2015, a gasoline spill in Kamloops at 1795 East Trans Canada Hwy was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) by the MOE RO due to the potential for heightened media attention.

On 21 Oct 2015, a light sheen appeared on the water when a pleasure craft that sank on October 10<sup>th</sup> was being salvaged at A-16 Dock in Ladner Harbour. The incident was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) by the MOE RO due to the potential for heightened media attention.

On 21 Oct 2015, there was a spill of up to 300 Liters of unscreened sewage from a containment tank of EPCOR in Britannia Beach area. Material went to Britannia Creek. The incident was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) by the MOE RO due to the nature of the pollutant and potential for heightened media attention.

On 22 Oct 2015, a rainbow sheen approximately 40 x 100 feet was observed in Powell River at Westview North Harbour. The incident was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) by the MOE RO due to the potential for heightened media attention.

On 25 Oct 2015, a light fuel sheen was observed in Gunderson Slough near Surrey. The Ministry of Environment upgraded the spill to Code 2 (urgent status) due to heightened media awareness and possible pollution.

On 25 Oct 2015, a 600 foot long slick was reported in Annacis Channel near New Westminster. The incident was upgraded to Code 2 (urgent status) due to heightened media attention.

On 25 Oct 2015, a fuel slick was observed on the Fraser River under the Patullo Bridge. The Ministry of Environment Response Officer designated it a Code 2 spill (urgent status) to address the potential for heightened media attention.

## **BODY RECOVERY**

On 21 Oct 2015, Port Alberni SAR was requested by RCMP to conduct a body recovery on Mount Arrowsmith.

## **LANDSLIDE**

On 19 Oct 2015, Oil and Gas Commission reported a landslide had occurred NE of Fort St John in the Peace River Regional District. There were concerns of a second landslide in the area. Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations (FLNRO) conducted an overflight assessment of the area.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

On 23 Oct 2015, Mission SAR was requested by RCMP to assist with an evidence search along Norris Creek.

On 24 Oct 2015, 2 people were displaced from their home in Penticton due to structural damage caused by a motor vehicle incident.

On 25 Oct 2015, Tofino activated their EOC and opened a warming centre to support BCAS and victims of a whale watching tour boat that capsized and sank at Plover Ridge off Vargas Island off the west coast of Tofino.

## **URBAN FIRE (S):**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>LOCATION</u></b>	<b><u>IMPACTED</u></b>
19 Oct 15	Abbotsford	1 person
20 Oct 15	Lake Cowichan	1 person
21 Oct 15	Powell River	2 people
21 Oct 15	Surrey	2 people
22 Oct 15	Creston	8 people
22 Oct 15	Nanaimo	2 people
23 Oct 15	Kelowna	2 people
24 Oct 15	Richmond	6 people
25 Oct 15	Surrey	2 people