# WILDFIRE SAFETY FOR HIGH-RISK ACTIVITIES

Being aware of your company's policies regarding fire and wildfire safety is important. Ensure you know the policies and procedures to keep yourself, those around you and the communities we work and live in safe. Many industry activities could elevate the risk of wildfire.

## KEY CONSIDERATIONS FOR FIRE AND WILDFIRE SAFETY

- Industry Activities Classified as High-Risk
- Pre-work Procedures for High-Risk Activities
- In case of a Wildfire





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#### INDUSTRY ACTIVITIES CLASSIFIED AS HIGH RISK

- Mechanical brushing
- Disk drenching
- Using fire or spark-producing tools
- Grinding
- Mechanical land clearing
- Clearing or maintaining right of ways
- Welding
- Skidding, yarding, chipping, milling logs, etc.
- Forest products manufacturing.

#### PRE-WORK PROCEDURES FOR HIGH-RISK ACTIVITIES

For high-risk activities, do the following before staring your task:

- Determine how you or your co-workers will suppress an accidental fire
- Place fire suppression equipment in an easily accessible location
- Put a communications plan in place (radio, mobile phone, etc.)
- Verify available water sources and location (truck-tank, backpack or body of water)
- Set up and test water delivery system

#### IN CASE OF A WILDFIRE

To report a wildfire call 1.800.663.5555 or \*5555 from a cell phone. All calls are answered by BC Wildfire Service staff at the Provincial Forest Fire Reporting Centre.

Follow company Emergency Response Plan to notify all listed emergency contacts.

#### PROVIDE HELPFUL INFORMATION

- Exact location of fire (GPS or specific roads/markers)
- Size of fire
- Rate of spread
- Fuel type
- Threat to structures and/or people
- Identify any firefighting action taken

