CONTRACTOR SAFETY ALERT

TITLE: Passenger Bark and PPE

Number: 112

Background

On 28 September a truck driver was conducting pruning of the load for transport, when they were struck on the shin by a limb/stick that came adrift. The driver sustained a shin laceration that was treated on scene that required a doctor's assessment and wound dressing, no lost time occurred.

Key points

- Pruning limbs is normal practice to ensure no stray limbs are protruding from the load.
- It is important to wear PPE (eye protection, High Viz long sleeve shirts, pants, gloves, and hard hats).
- The driver was wearing shorts, it is recommended that long pants be worn for infield works.