

SAFETY ALERT



Hand faller injured

Number: 35

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Background

On Monday 11/01/2021 a hand faller working for the FPC suffered an injury to the side of the head while removing limbs off a fallen tree. A small tree under the log was released under tension when a limb was removed. This small tree snapped up and struck the hand faller. The hand faller required stitches, but thankfully is okay to return to work.

Control Measures

This incident reminds us of the dangers associated with hand falling. Please raise this incident with any hand fallers to promote awareness. Continue to use fit for purpose, up to date and well-maintained equipment and PPE.