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FROM: National Wildfire Coordinating Group

REPLY TO: NWCG@nifc.gov

DATE: 07/20/2007

SUBJECT: SAFETY BULLETIN: Wood Creek Fire - ATV Accident - 24 Hour Report

Attached is the 24 hour report regarding an ATV accident on the Wood Creek Fire. Please see that it receives wide distribution within your agency. When available, other investigation documents, specifically the 72 Hour Report and the final Factual Report, will be posted on the Wildland Fire Lessons Learned Center database for reviews and investigations (http://www.wildfirelessons.net/Reviews.aspx).



ATV Accident 24hr Report.doc

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Subject: Preliminary (24-hour-after the accident) Briefing

To: Boise District Office Fire Management Officer

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Location: Wood Creek Fire, Boise National Forest (Protected by BLM) Bender Creek area of the Danskin

Foothills.

Date of occurrence: July 18, 2007

Time of occurrence: 1725 Hours

Mission: Conduct Burn out operations behind Dozer fire line.

Activity: Operating ATV with fire fighting equipment loaded on a designated ATV trail.

Number injured: 1

Number of fatalities: None

Property damage: Slight damage to ATV cargo racks and handlebars.

Narrative: On Wednesday, July 18, 2007, at approximately 1725 hours a Boise District Office employee was injured while operating an ATV during wildland fire suppression operations. As a member of the Fuels Crew tasked to perform burnout operations behind a dozer fire line, the employee was operating an ATV with a group of six ATV's. While traversing a slope on an ATV designated trail, the employee's ATV rolled to the left down a steep slope. The employee received injury to his left side pelvic region. The employee was stabilized by his crew members and transported by Life Flight helicopter to a local hospital.

CC: DM, Jerry Taylor