

Appendix to Site Safety Plan: Phase Congestion Hazard Assessment Guiding Document

Background

Phase congestion occurs when one production phase adversely affects another, and worker safety is compromised. Phase congestion may occur within a single phase or between / amongst phases.

The Coastal Harvesting Advisory Group (CHAG) has identified phase congestion as a contributing factor in increasing the risk levels associated with coastal logging and has recommended use of the Phase Congestion Hazard Assessment as one tool for mitigating phase congestion.

Purpose

This Phase Congestion Hazard Assessment is intended to supplement existing Site Safety Plans. Due to the variety of situations and possible factors that could contribute to phase congestion, the form has been developed to provide the person creating the Site Safety Plan with a structured template that will enable them to clearly identify possible factors and implement site specific solutions to address them.

How to Utilize this Form

This form has been developed as an Appendix to the Site Safety Plan for the worksite and should be included as an integral part of the Site Safety Plan.

As such, it should be created as part of the Site Safety Plan and reviewed and revised as required.

Steps for form usage

1. For each of the components listed on the Phase Congestion Hazard Assessment, provide a 'Yes' or 'No' answer relevant to that item.
2. PART A: Control measures should be identified and documented for any components receiving a 'No' response in this Part. Control measures are what are required to mitigate the risk to an acceptable level. It is optional to add comments into this column for any components that have received a 'yes' in step 1 above.
3. PART B: Control measures should be identified and documented for any components receiving a 'Yes' response in this Part. Control measures are what are required to mitigate the risk to an acceptable level. It is optional to add comments into this column for any components that have received a 'No' in step 1 above.
4. Review Site Safety Plan and this Appendix as required and adjust as necessary. Phase congestion and associated risks can change in a short period of time, so periodic review and follow up may be necessary.

See attached sample of a completed Phase Congestion Hazard Assessment form.