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California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

Preliminary Summary Report of Serious CAL FIRE Injuries, Illnesses, Accidents and Near-Miss Incidents



Inmate Woodshop Injury

Serious Hand Injury

October 1st, 2010

**CA-BDU-011472
Prado Conservation Camp**

California Southern Region

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SYNOPSIS

This is the Preliminary Summary Report of an incident in which an Inmate Firefighter sustained serious injuries to the left hand while operating a Table Saw at Prado Conservation Camp.

NARRATIVE

On October 1st, 2010 at approximately 1035 hours, an Inmate Firefighter assigned to the Prado Conservation Camp was seriously injured while operating a Table Saw located inside the Woodshop at Prado Conservation Camp.

The injured Inmate is assigned to the Warehouse and is specifically the Camp Chain Saw Mechanic.

The injured Inmate left his assigned work area and entered the woodshop which is clearly marked as an out of bounds area. On his own accord, the Inmate used the table saw without being trained on its use and without authorization from his assigned supervisor. As a result of these serious rules violations, the Inmate suffered a serious injury to his left hand.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

- Document serious rules violations on CDCR Form 115.
- Inmates are not to enter any area marked "Out of Bounds"
- Inmates are not to operate any tools or equipment they are not trained and authorized to utilize.