

WEEKLY INCIDENT SITUATION REPORT

PERIOD: 24 Mar 2003 to 30 Mar 2003

PEP Region	Search and Rescue			Dangerous Goods and Oil Spills	Motor Vehicle Accidents	Other (floods fire etc.)	General Enquiries and Info
	Air	Land	Inland Water				
Van Island				13	1	2	39
South West		2	3	21	7	7	133
Central		3	1	3	8		30
South East		3		10	4	1	39
North East		3	1	9	4		53
North West				3	3		31
Headquarters							454
Provincial Totals		11	5	59	27	10	779
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1. Total Number of Incidents 112
2. SAR Summary part 2
3. Misc Incident Summary part 3

SEARCH AND RESCUE INFORMATION – WEEKLY PERIOD: 24 MAR 03 TO 30 MAR 03

DATE/TIME INCIDENT #	PEP REGION	INCIDENT	ELT/ #VICTIMS	# PEP VOL	LOCATED			COMMENTS
					ALIVE	DEAD	NO	
200941 UPDATE	SEA			13		1	-1	8 Kimberley, 1 Cranbrook SAR and 4 PEP Air members continued to search for a male missing from the Kimberley area. Team members were stood down when the male was located deceased.
24 1904 200942	NEA	INLAND WATER	1	7	1			7 Quesnel SAR members responded to the Quesnel River to assist with a distraught female threatening to jump off the Johnson Street Bridge. The team was stood down when the female jumped, landed on some rocks and was attended to by BCAS.
25 0333 200943	SWE	LAND	1	17	1			10 Coquitlam, 3 Surrey, 4 Ridge Meadows SAR members responded to search for a missing 9 year old male last seen in a park in New Westminster. Search was stood down when it was determined that the subject was staying overnight at a friends home.
25 1558 200944	SWE	INLAND WATER	1	33			1	21 Chilliwack and 12 Kent Harrison SAR members responded to search for the driver of a vehicle that went into the Fraser River. A helicopter was requested after someone was reported to be floating down river. The search was stood down when nothing was found.
25 1724 200945	CTL	LAND	1	20	1			20 Vernon SAR members responded to rescue a person over an embankment at Cousins Bay on Kalamalka Lake. Team assisted BCAS in moving the injured party to the waiting ambulance.

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26 1330 200946	SEA	LAND	4	35	1	3		35 Fernie SAR members responded to search for 4 snowmobilers buried by an avalanche in the Fairy Creek area. Avalanche Technicians were flown into assess the area prior to SAR response. SAR concluded when they removed one injured person and three deceased people from the mountain and transported them to hospital.
26 1315 200947	NEA	LAND	1	2			1	1 McBride and 1 Prince George SAR members were prepared to respond following the report of a skier buried by an avalanche in Selwin. SAR was stood down when RCMP and Yellowhead Helicopters responded with Avalanche Technicians and recovered the victim. The subject was pronounced deceased at the hospital.
26 1457 200948	CTL	LAND	1	14	1			14 Penticton SAR members responded to search for a 2 year old missing from the Penticton Indian Reserve. SAR was stood down when the child was found in good condition.
26 1956 200949	NEA	LAND	1	23	1			11-100 Mile House SAR and 12 Williams Lake SAR members responded to search for a missing male in the Spruce Avenue area of 100 Mile House. The subject was found on the outskirts of town in fairly good condition but very cold. The male was transferred to BCAS for transport to hospital for further examination.
27 1515 200950	SEA	LAND	1	9			1	9 Columbia Valley SAR members responded to search for a person buried by an avalanche in the area of Fairmont Hot Springs. The subject was located deceased and tasking was concluded.

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29 1237	NEA	LAND	1	4	1			4 McBride SAR members responded to rescue an injured snowmobiler in the area of Clemina Creek. SAR concluded when the subject was located and transported to BCAS for treatment and transport to hospital.
29 1549 200952	CTL	INLAND WATER	1	4			1	4 Penticton Fire Dept members responded to rescue a distressed wind skier from Skaha Lake. SAR was stood down when no evidence of a distressed person was located.
29 1540 200953	SEA	LAND	1	4	1			4 Nelson SAR members responded to rescue an injured backcountry skier in 5 Mile Basin near the White Water Ski Resort in Nelson. Subject was rescued and transferred to BCAS.
29 1707 200954	SWE	LAND	PLB/1	65	1			65 SAR members from Hope, Chilliwack, CFV, Kent Harrison, Mission, Coquitlam and North Shore responded to search for a Personal Locator Beacon sounding between Chilliwack and Hope on the Trans Canada Trail. A male hiker was located, cold and hungry after he had become lost and turned on the beacon.
30 0738 200955	CTL	LAND	1	12	1			12 Central Okanagan SAR members responded to search for a missing male in the Joe Rich area outside of Kelowna. The male was located at the Health Centre in Nakusp.
30 1552 200956	SWE	INLAND WATER	2	10	2			10 Kent Harrison SAR members responded to rescue two fishermen who were stranded near the Fish Hatchery on the Chehalis River. The subjects were rescued in good condition. They became stranded when heavy rainfall caused the river level to rise higher than the subjects could safely traverse.

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30 1746 200957	SWE	INLAND WATER	2	14	2			14 Kent Harrison SAR members responded to rescue two fishermen who were stranded across from the Fish Hatchery on the Chehalis River. The subjects underestimated the rise of the water level and found themselves stranded. They were rescued in good condition.
WEEK TOTAL		16	21	286	14	6	1	
YEAR TO DATE		954	1186	11835	1032	87	67	49 - ELT

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DAM FAILURE

On 24 Mar 03, LWBC Dam Safety Officer advised that Hamilton Dam #3 on Cumberland Creek has a slump in the earth fill, making the embankment unstable. LWBC Dam Safety Officer and the Regional Dam Safety Officer conducted a thorough assessment and reported that the dam is safe at this point and is in no danger of failing. There are no dwellings in the flood path, however, the road between Cumberland and Comox Lake would likely be washed out in a failure. The City of Cumberland is preparing an "Emergency Response Plan" and will develop a remediation plan. The Dam Safety Officer, Regional Manager, City of Cumberland and local Emergency Coordinator will continue to monitor the situation.

BODY RECOVERY

On 28 Mar 03, the Coroner requested the assistance of Columbia Valley SAR to recover the body of a male who was buried in an avalanche in the Brewer Creek Lake area of Fairmont Hot Springs.

On 29 Mar 03, RCMP requested Whistler SAR to assist in the recovery of a body reported to have drowned in Alta Lake.

EVIDENCE SEARCH

On 26 Mar 2003, RCMP requested Mission SAR members to search for evidence in the Silverdale area.

URBAN FIRE (S):

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>IMPACTED</u>
24 Mar 03	Courtenay	3 people
25 Mar 03	Vancouver	6 people
27 Mar 03	Chilliwack	5 people
27 Mar 03	Surrey	3 people
27 Mar 03	Surrey	6 people
28 Mar 03	Burnaby	9 people