

WEEKLY INCIDENT SITUATION REPORT

PERIOD: 04 AUG 03 TO 10 AUG 03

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		3	1	21	2	6	67
South West		12	3	30	4	12	146
Central	1	4	5	6	17	12	152
South East		2	1	1	10	5	92
North East		1		9	9	1	65
North West			1	2	1		17
Headquarters							2770
Provincial Totals	1	22	11	69	43	36	3309
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1. Total Number of Incidents 182
2. SAR Summary part 2
3. Misc Incident Summary part 3

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					ALIVE	DEAD	NO	
01 JUN 1849 300132 UPDATE	NEA	INLAND WATER		1				On 08 Aug, 1 Chetwynd SAR member accompanied the RCMP on an over flight from Km 25 to the confluence of the Sukunka River, however they did not find any trace of the missing canoeist. Search is ongoing at this time.
01 0945 300327 UPDATE	NEA	LAND		10				On 07 Aug, 10 North Peace SAR members conducted further searches for the male missing in the Charlie Lake area of Fort St. John. No trace of the subject was located and the search was stood down pending further investigation.
01 1923 300331 UPDATE	VIR	LAND		5				Comox Valley, Arrowsmith SAR members, assisted by dog and handler responded to conduct further searches of Strathcona Park for the missing hiker. Search is ongoing at this time.
04 1335 300354	SEA	LAND	1	4	1			4 Nakusp Rope Rescue members responded following report of motor vehicle over an embankment 21 Km south of Nakusp. The subject was located by the rescue team and removed from the area by stretcher.
04 1424 300355	SEA	LAND	4	105	1		3	105 Arrow Lake, Kaslo, Nelson, Chilliwack, Golden, Arrowsmith, Castlegar SAR members and PEP Air responded to search for 4 mountain climbers reported missing in the Trout Lake/Battle Creek area near Nakusp. RCMP located 1 survivor and the search was initiated for the remaining 3subjects. Due to terrain features and the technical nature of the rescue, a helicopter was used to transport SAR members to and from the area. Extensive air,

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								river and ground searches failed to locate any trace of the subjects and the SAR response was stood down.
04 1511 300356	SWE	OCEAN	1	4	1			4 Squamish SAR members responded to assist Canadian Coast Guard following report of a kite boarder in distress on Howe Sound. SAR response was stood down after the subject was successfully rescued by CCG.
04 1500 300357	NWE	INLAND WATER	1	4			1	4 Terrace Swift Water Rescue responded following report of an object, believed to be a body, in the Beaver River north of Terrace. Rescue members retrieved a body and placed it in the custody of the Coroner.
04 1600 300358	CTL	LAND	3	7	3			Searchers from Princeton, Oliver and Hope SAR teams responded following report of 3 males missing in the Upper Whipsaw area of Manning Park. Search was stood down after RCMP confirmed the subjects were located alive and well.

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07 0825 300359	SWE	LAND	1	10	1			10 Squamish SAR members responded following report of an injured climber on the Squamish Chief. Subject was located and removed from the area by helicopter with undetermined injuries.
04 1855 300360	SWE	LAND	1	10	1			10 Hope SAR members were stood down while assembling to search for an elderly female missing in the Hope area. She was located alive and well by RCMP members.
05 1009 300361	CTL	AIR	ELT	1				1 PEP Air member responded following RCC report of an ELT sounding in the Penticton area. ELT was located in an aircraft at the airport and switched off.
05 1315 300362	SEA	INLAND WATER	1	13			1	13 Castlegar SAR members responded to search the Waldy Island area for a female missing since 04 Aug. Extensive searches of the area failed to locate any trace of the subject. Search was stood down pending further investigation by RCMP.
05 1603 300363	SWE	LAND	1	12	1			12 Surrey SAR members responded to search for a female reported missing from the Surrey Memorial Hospital. SAR response was stood down after subject was located.
05 2024 300364	SWE	INLAND WATER	3	32	2	1		Searchers from Hope, Kent/Harrison and Chilliwack SAR teams responded following report of 3 boaters missing on the Nahatlatch River near Boston Bar. 2 boaters were rescued alive and the other was located deceased. Body was recovered and placed in the custody of the Coroner.

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05 2229	SWE	LAND	1	47			1	47 Searchers from Chilliwack, Kent/ Harrison, Mission, Central Fraser Valley, Coquitlam and Ridge Meadows SAR teams responded to search for a male missing since 03 Aug in the Jones Lake area. Extensive searches of the area failed to locate any trace of the missing male and the SAR response was stood down.
06 0852 300366	NEA	LAND	1	17			1	11 Robson Valley SAR members assisted by 6 Parks Canada staff with dogs and handlers responded to search for a hiker overdue in the Mount Robson area. His unattended campsite was located near Berg Lake with a note advising he would be returning on 1 Aug. Extensive searches of the area failed to locate any trace of the missing male and the search has been suspended.
06 1227 300367	SWE	LAND		9				5 Chilliwack SAR and 4 Ridge Meadows SAR members responded following report of a vehicle over an embankment near Cultus Lake. On arrival SAR members located an unoccupied vehicle. The license plates were recovered and passed to RCMP.
06 1549 300368	CTL	INLAND WATER	2	4	2			2 Shuswap SAR and 2 PEP Air members were stood down while assembling to respond following report of a watercraft accident on Shuswap Lake near Blind Bay. A "Sea-Doo" had overturned and the occupants disappeared. They were rescued by boaters and taken safely ashore.

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06 2036	VIR	INLAND WATER	1	37		1		37 Campbell River SAR members responded to search for a diver missing at McIver Lake northwest of Campbell River. An overflight of the lake by 442 Squadron failed to locate any trace of the diver. SAR members using underwater video camera located the subject, deceased. His body was recovered by RCMP Dive Team on 08 Aug.
06 2312 300370	CTL	LAND		2				2 Vernon SAR members responded following report of campers stranded in the Twin Lakes area of Monashee Mountain. Campers reportedly were advised to evacuate after a thunderstorm started a number of new fires. The incident was investigated by local MOF Fire Boss who determined the campers had not been advised to evacuate and the area in which they were camping was not in any immediate danger.
07 0953 300371	CTL	LAND	1	3	1			3 Ashcroft Fire Dept members responded to the Hat Creek Ranch following report of an injured horseback rider. Subject was thrown from the horse and down and embankment. Fire Dept members used ropes to access and rescue the subject. He was transferred to BCAS and transported to hospital with undetermined injuries.
07 1413 300372	CTL	LAND	1	7	1			4 Kelowna SAR and 3 Kelowna Fire Dept members responded to the Gallard Forestry Road following report of an injured mountain biker. Subject was located suffering from a leg injury. He was transported out of the area by stretcher and passed to BCAS.
07 1623 300373	VIR	LAND	1	22	1			17 Arrowsmith and 5 Nanaimo SAR responded to Little

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								Mountain near Parksville to search for a missing salal picker. Search was stood down after RCMP reported the subject had been located at home.
07 1726 300374	VIR	LAND		3				3 Cowichan SAR members responded to reports of an emergency "mirror flash" signaling near Rocky Mountain Ridge on Mount Tzuhalem. Extensive search of the area failed to locate anyone in distress and the SAR response stood down.
07 2112 300375	SWE	LAND	1	7	1			7 Mission SAR members responded to search for a male reported missing near Stave Lake. SAR response was stood down after RCMP reported the subject had been located at his residence.
08 1423 300376	SWE	LAND	1	8	1			8 North Shore Rescue members responded to rescue a female reportedly suffering a head injury on Mount Seymour. She was located and transported off the mountain.
08 2210 300377	CTL	INLAND WATER		4				4 Peachland Fire Department members responded with a zodiac to investigate a report of flare sightings on Okanagan Lake. Extensive searches of the area failed to locate anyone in distress.
09 0245 300378	CTL	INLAND WATER	4	2	4			2 Kelowna Marine Rescue members responded to investigate report of flare sightings on Okanagan Lake near Westside. Rescue members located a boat with 4 occupants stranded and towed them safely ashore.
09 1556 300379	SWE	LAND	1	10	1			10 Squamish SAR members responded to rescue a fallen climber in the Smoke Bluffs area of Squamish. Subject was located, transported out of the area and taken to hospital by

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								BC Ambulance.
09 1650 300380	SWE	INLAND WATER	2	11	2			11 Kent/Harrison SAR members responded following report of a vehicle with 2 occupants in Harrison Lake. On arrival SAR team located one individual on the beach and the other on an embankment. Subjects were passed to BCAS.
09 1751 300381	SWE	LAND	1	10	1			10 Squamish SAR members responded following report of an injured female hiker. Subject had fallen and sustained an broken ankle. She was located and removed from the area by stretcher. She was transported to hospital by BC Ambulance.
09 1946	SWE	LAND	1	6	1			6 Coquitlam SAR members responded to search for a male hiker overdue in the Buntzen Lake area. SAR response was stood down when the subject walked out of the area on his own. He was not injured.
09 2034 300383	CTL	INLAND WATER	2	2	2			2 Kelowna Marine Rescue members responded following report of a boat with 2 occupants in distress on Okanagan Lake near Carrs Landing. On arrival rescue members located a boat grounded on the rocks. Occupants were removed from the boat and taken safely ashore.
09 2144 300384	CTL	INLAND WATER	7	2	7			2 Kelowna Marine Rescue members responded to rescue 7 occupants of a boat from Okanagan Lake. Boat had struck a log boom and was taking on water. Rescue team located the boat and took the occupants safely ashore.
10 1309 300385	SWE	LAND	1	8	1			8 Kent/Harrison SAR members responded following report of a

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								vehicle over an embankment on Hwy 23. On arrival SAR members used ropes to access and remove the lone occupant from the area. Subject was transported to hospital with undetermined injuries.
10 1342 300386	VIR	LAND	1	25	1			17 Nanaimo and 8 Arrowsmith SAR members responded to rescue an injured male hiker from a ravine on the Mount Benson Creek Trail. SAR members used ropes to access the subject and remove him from the area. He was transported to hospital with a broken ankle.
10 1747 300387	SWE	LAND	1	12	1			12 Squamish SAR members responded to the 3600 foot level of Goat Ridge following report of an injured climber. SAR members accessed the area by helicopter, located the subject and removed him from the area. He had sustained an injured knee.
WEEK TOTAL		34	48	424	39	3	6	ELT - 1
YEAR TO DATE		386	531	4343	474	35	22	ELT - 27

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URBAN INTERFACE FIRE

CENTRAL REGION

Refer to Provincial Emergency Coordination Centre Situation Reports and website at www.pep.bc.ca.

SOUTHEAST REGION

On 10 Aug 03, a 55 Ha wild land fire with potential interface was started by lightning in the Snow Creek area near Burton, south of Nakusp. The fire was burning in steep, rocky terrain which limited access. MOF intended to place a guard around the fire on 10 Aug 03. A public information meeting with residents was held with representatives from the Ministry of Forests, Office of the Fire Commission, Emergency Program Coordinators for Central Kootenay Regional District Area K and Area H, and Emergency Social Services in attendance. PEP Regional Manager and other Provincial agencies continue to monitor the situation.

10 Aug 03, a 50 Ha a wild land fire with potential interface was started in the Hidden Creek area near Ymir. The fire was within 2.5 Km of industrial and other residences, Although structures were immediately threatened the erratic fire behavior was a concern to fire officials. An information sheet was prepared and hand delivered to residents by the local Fire Department volunteers under the supervision of the Emergency Program Coordinator for Central Kootenay Regional District Salmo and Area G. PEP Regional Manager and other Provincial agencies continue to monitor the situation.

On 10 Aug 03, a 6 Ha wild land fire with potential interface threatened residences and ranches in the Plumb Bob Creek area South of Cranbrook. Major concern was that there was no fire protection in the area and only method of communication was by radio phone. 4 occupied residences were at immediate risk due to extreme and erratic fire behavior. Ministry of Forests, Office of the Fire Commissioner, Emergency Program Coordinators for East Kootenay Regional District and Elk Valley were advised and Emergency Social Services was placed on alert. PEP Regional Manager and other Provincial agencies continue to monitor the situation.

MISCELLANEOUS

On 04 Aug 03, Lions Bay Fire Rescue responded to assist at the scene of a motorcycle accident at Logger's Creek, Hwy 99.

On 05 Aug 03, the Mayor of the Town of Summerland issued a Local State of Emergency under Section 13(1) of the Emergency Program Act due to a critical water shortage. Following discussion with town officials an advisory was issued to residents and businesses regarding restriction on water use for domestic and agricultural use. Municipal and Provincial officials continue to monitor the situation.

On 09 Aug 03, BC Ambulance requested assistance from Saturna Island Rescue to transport an injured patient to the water taxi dock. 4 Saturna Island Rescue members responded.

On 10 Aug 03, BC Ambulance requested assistance following the report of a light aircraft crash in a residential area of Princeton. 4 members of Princeton and District Highway Rescue Society responded and provided site security until arrival of Transportation Safety Board staff.

URBAN FIRE (S):

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>IMPACTED</u>
04 Aug 03	McLure	6 people
05 Aug 03	Clearwater	14 people
05 Aug 03	Barriere	28 people
05 Aug 03	Falkland	2 people
06 Aug 03	Chilliwack	5 people
07 Aug 03	Pender Harbour	1 person
08 Aug 03	Merritt	5 people
08 Aug 03	Sechelt	1 person
10 Aug 03	Penticton	4 people
10 Aug 03	Campbell River	1 person