



WEEKLY INCIDENT SITUATION REPORT



PERIOD: 19 Dec 05 to 25 Dec 05

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	0	2	1	21	8	3	38
South West	0	1	0	23	11	3	36
Central	1	0	0	5	37	3	22
South East	0	2	0	2	31	1	38
North East	2	4	0	15	20	2	31
North West	0	0	0	2	6	2	13
Headquarters	0	0	0	0	0	0	260
Provincial Weekly Totals	3	9	1	68	113	14	438
Provincial Year to Date	65	551	203	2674	1463	327	26361
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	Weekly	Year to Date
Total Number of Incidents	208	5283

Protection Order Registry	158	6711
Problem Wildlife	100	16368
Wildlife Enforcement	37	3183

SEARCH AND RESCUE INFORMATION - WEEKLY PERIOD: 19 DEC 05 TO 25 DEC 05

DATE/TIME INCIDENT #	PEP REGION	INCIDENT	ELT/ #VICTIMS	# PEP VOL	LOCATED			COMMENTS
					ALIVE	DEAD	NO	
19 14:20 500811	VIR	LAND	1	17		1		14 Comox Valley and 3 Arrowsmith SAR members responded to search for a male on Mount Washington who had been missing for ten days. The subject was located deceased down a gully and SAR members recovered the body.
19 20:36 500812	CTL	AIR	ELT	2				2 PEP Air members responded to search for an ELT near the Kelowna airport. The transmitter was located at the airport and shut down.
19 2130 500813	SWE	LAND	1	17			1	17 Sunshine Coast SAR members responded to search for a 60 year old female who had been missing for two days in the Gibsons area. SAR team was stood down pending further investigation by RCMP after initial search efforts had negative results.
20 05:56 500814	NEA	LAND	1	3	1			3 Quesnel SAR members responded to search for the driver of a vehicle that went off of the road approximately 20 miles north of town. SAR members were stood down when the subject was located uninjured after leaving the scene of the accident.
20 15:30 500815	SEA	LAND	1	15	1			15 Castlegar and Rossland SAR members responded to rescue an injured skier on a trail near Nancy Greene Junction. SAR teams were stood down after BCAS reported that they had recovered the injured skier.
20 17:27 500816	NEA	LAND	5	10	4	1		10 North Peace SAR members responded to locate an injured worker involved in an industrial accident and 4 co-workers in the area of Salt Ridge Road outside of Fort St. John. The SAR members located and assisted the four workers out of the area and recovered 1 deceased individual.
20 23:59 500817	VIR	INLAND WATER		12				12 Duncan SAR members responded to rescue a child reported to have fallen into the Cowichan River near the silver bridge. RCMP stood down the SAR team after the rescue was determined to be a hoax.
21 10:40 500818	NEA	AIR	ELT	3				3 PEP Air members responded to locate an intermittent ELT sounding about 10 miles north of Prince George. PEP Air members were stood down by JRCC after the source of the signal could not be located.
21 11:37 500819	NEA	AIR	ELT	2				2 PEP Air members responded to locate an ELT sounding at the Fort St John Airport. PEP Air was stood down after the transmitter was located and turned off.
22 23:52 500820	NEA	LAND	1	1	1			1 Prince George SAR member was stood down while mustering to search for a missing male in the Prince George area. The subject had been located in good condition.
23 09:23 500821	NEA	LAND	1	8		1		8 North Peace SAR members responded to search for a female who was last seen on the 21 Dec at her residence south of Fort St. John. SAR members were stood down at the search base when they were

								advised she had been located deceased.
23 18:29 500822	SEA	LAND	1	6	1			6 Nelson SAR members responded to search for an overdue snowmobiler last reported near Sasquatch Lake. SAR team was stood down at the scene when the individual was located by other snowmobilers in the area.
25 19:36 500823	VIR	LAND	1	11	1			11 Saltspring SAR members were stood down while mustering to locate a hiker that was lost on Mt. Maxwell. The subject was located in good condition by the RCMP.
WEEK TOTAL		13	13	107	9	3	1	ELT - 3
YEAR TO DATE		819	1067	10444	969	56	42	ELT - 56

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DANGEROUS GOODS

On 23 Dec 05, a natural gas leak caused by construction crews at a residence in Fruitvale resulted in the evacuation of approximately 30 residents of the neighbouring homes. Ministry of Environment Response Officer raised the incident to urgent status (code 2) due to the risk of explosion and potential threat to residents. Office of the Fire Commissioner (OFC) was advised and supported the Fire Department's response efforts. Terasen Gas Crews responded to shut down and repair the gas line. The Emergency Program Coordinator activated a reception centre and residents waited there until the gas was shut down and the OFC and Fire Department determined it was safe for them to return to their homes.

FLOOD

On 19 Dec 05, an ice jam on the Similkameen River 13 km west of Keremeos caused the waters to overflow into a run-off channel potentially impacting residents of a mobile home park. Ministry of Environment Flood Hazard Technician, Emergency Program Coordinator and the Keremeos Fire Chief responded to the scene to assess the situation. It was determined that the water in the normally dry channel was well below a level of concern. Ministry of Transportation continues to monitor the water levels.

On 19 Dec 05, an ice jam developed on the Kicking Horse River near the town bridge in Golden causing concern that localized flooding would occur. The Town of Golden activated their Emergency Operations Centre and an ice specialist was retained to provide technical expertise. An over flight of the area was conducted to map the ice conditions upstream and it was determined that another ice flow release was not likely. On 21 Dec, the river levels were down 12cm and it appeared the ice jam was settling. The Town of Golden, Ministry of Transportation, Highways Contractor and CP Rail continue to monitor the situation.

On 25 Dec 05, ice jams developed on the Coldwater River in Merritt causing water levels to rise and jump the banks impacting homes in the Garcia St and Clark Rd area. Approximately 50 homes in the area were at risk but did not need to be evacuated when the water levels quickly receded. Ministry of Environment staff responded with the Emergency Program Coordinators from the Town of Merritt and the Thompson Nicola Regional District to assess the situation. They over flew the river and determined that although there were numerous ice jams the flow should stabilize with cooler weather conditions therefore minimizing the threat of flooding.

LANDSLIDE

On 22 Dec 05, a small landslide occurred between two properties on the South Island Highway in Campbell River when one landowner dumped pond water over an embankment causing some bank erosion near the Best Western Hotel. The Emergency Coordinator attended along with Public Works to assess immediate needs and they will work with Bylaw staff to determine what steps can be taken to correct the situation.

MISCELLANEOUS

On 21 Dec 05, Topley Fire Department provided medical assistance to BCAS to assist with rescuing a burn victim at Lake Babine.

URBAN FIRE (S):

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>IMPACTED</u>
19 Dec	Chetwynd	3 people
19 Dec	Merritt	4 people
20 Dec	Terrace	1 person
20 Dec	Saanich	6 people
21 Dec	Prince George	1 person
22 Dec	Ladysmith	2 people
23 Dec	Vancouver	5 people
23 Dec	Maple Ridge	1 person
24 Dec	Burnaby	4 people