Forestry Tips – Safe Practices—Hooktender I

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TOPIC: Safe Practices—Hooktender I

Personal Protective Equipment

- High visibility hard hat and vest.
- Hearing protection.
- Caulk boots and protective gloves.
- Stagged pants.

Safety Responsibilities

The hooktender is responsible for the following:

- Making sure that safety practices are understood and reviewed with everyone in the crew he/she oversees.
- Correcting any unsafe work practices with the crew.
- Implementing a communications plan with the crew; Planning ahead and making sure each person knows his or her role.
- Setting a good example by creating safe work habits.

Notching Stumps

- Make sure tools are in proper condition. Only properly trained workers should use power saws.
- Make a clean work area around guyline stumps.
- Use only vee notch.
- Always wear proper personal protective equipment when using a power saw.

Rigging & Raising A Spar

- Plans must be communicated to crew prior to rigging up the spar.
- Each crew member should know his/her role in rigging.
- The machine must be level and have adequate blocking.
- Guylines must be properly wrapped and shackled around the stump.

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Employee Participants:

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