

BLUE SHEET

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE)

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



Kelso Road Burn Over - Dozer Transport(s)

June 24, 2016

Erskine

CA-CND-001415

California Southern Region

This Preliminary Summary Report is intended as an aid in accident prevention, and to provide factual information from the first 24 hours of the accident review. To that end it is published and distributed within a short time frame. Information contained within may be subject to revision as further investigation is conducted, and other reports and documents are received.

Lookout

Communications

Escape Routes

Safety Zones

SUMMARY

On June 24, 2016, two CAL FIRE dozers were assigned to Division Echo of the Erskine Fire in Kern County. At approximately 1445 hours, while parked on a paved road, one dozer transport was totally destroyed while the other sustained moderate fire damage. The operators of the dozers were constructing fire line approximately two miles away when the incident occurred. There were no injuries associated with the incident.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

Establish control lines around vehicles if not within the burn

Maintain situational awareness

Review CAL FIRE Handbook 4313.18 "Placement of Apparatus"