Incident Name: Miriam Fire Logging Truck Accident (2018)

State: Washington

Date: 8/03/18

Incident Type: Heavy Equipment

Description of the incident:

Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, A contracted logger was loading logs on to a truck using a boom type loader. A mechanical failure of boom turntable bolts resulted in dismounting of boom while in use lowering trailer section to ground. When dismount occurred, boom with operator's seat attached pitched to the side throwing operator clear of the truck to the ground. Operator fell about 15' resulting in head lacerations and broken ribs. Operator was transported via ground ambulance to a landing zone then picked up by an agency helicopter and transported to a hospital. Treated and released that evening.

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