

Kentucky Division of Forestry
24 Hour Preliminary Summary Report of Serious KDF Injury



Livingston County
September 7, 2010
Incident Name: Scotts Chapel Road Fire

This Preliminary Summary Report is intended as an aid in accident prevention, and to provide factual information from the first 24 hours of the incident. Information contained within **may be subject to revision** as further investigation is conducted, and other information is received.

Synopsis

The following information is a preliminary summary of a serious injury that occurred while conducting wildland fire suppression activities in Livingston County within the Kentucky Division of Forestry's Western District.

Narrative

At approximately 1138 hours on September 7, 2010 a KDF Forest Ranger Technician engaged in fire suppression activities was struck in the head by a snag that had fallen and rolled downhill over a small bluff and struck the employee in the head. The employee was knocked out and sustained a serious head injury, fractured hip, bruises, and a 2nd degree leg burn on his calves from the burning snag. The employee is currently in a hospital ICU.

Due to the cliffs, bluffs, and snags present the fire is currently being monitored.

Incident Review Team

An accident investigation team will investigate and produce an accident report for use as an education and preventive tool.