



Struck-by Hazards During Hurricane Recovery

Workers in areas where debris is being collected or deposited must be informed of special hazards they will face during recovery efforts.

- Workers exposed to vehicular traffic during cleanup operations must be protected by posting warning signs along the roadway to warn drivers of the work in progress.
- Steer traffic away from workers along the roadway by using flaggers, traffic cones and highway channeling devices.
- Provide traffic flow details and train workers to stay clear of all motorized equipment.
- Train workers to never position themselves between mechanical equipment and a fixed object, or in blind spots.
- Provide workers with **High-Visibility Reflective Vests** so that they can be seen by equipment and vehicle operators.
- All workers must be provided with personal protective equipment, including hard hats, safety glasses, work boots and gloves.
- Protect workers from equipment backing up with "backup" alarms or signal persons.
- Providing radio equipment to spotters and equipment operators allows warnings to be easily communicated.
- Require use of seatbelts and rollover protection for all equipment where tip-over hazards may exist.
- Do not allow workers to enter debris piles while the debris is being worked on by mechanical equipment.
- Train equipment operators, spotters and workers to keep equipment at least 10 feet away from overhead power lines.
- **Assume that all wires & power lines are energized!**

For more complete information:



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