

# WEEKLY INCIDENT SITUATION REPORT



PERIOD: 15 May 06 to 21 May 06

PEP Region	Se	arch and	l Rescue	Dangerous Goods and		Other (floods	General Enquiries	
i Li Kegion	Air	Land	Inland Water	Oil Spills	Accidents	fire etc.)	and Info	
Van Island	0	2	0	19	4	7	31	
South West	1	5	3	27	4	6	70	
Central	0	5	8	5	14	13	101	
South East	1	4	1	5	9	28	69	
North East	0	0	0	12	11	3	30	
North West	0	0	1	3	2	1	13	
Headquarters	0	0	0	0	1	2	718	
Provincial Weekly Totals	2	16	13	71	45	60	1032	
Provincial Year to Date	13	95	29	493	229	158	4486	
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	Weekly	Year to Date
Total Number of Incidents	207	1017
Protection Order Registry	186	1307
Problem Wildlife	611	2163
Wildlife Enforcement	88	531

## SEARCH AND RESCUE INFORMATION - WEEKLY PERIOD: 15 MAY 06 TO 21 MAY 06

DATE/TIME	PEP		ELT/	# PEP	L	OCATE	D	
INCIDENT #	REGION	INCIDENT						COMMENTS
15 14:44 600107	CTL	INLAND WATER		2				2 Kelowna Fire Rescue members, 3 crews from BCAS and the RCMP helicopter responded following a report of a boat sinking on Okanagan Lake with possible injuries on board. They were stood down when nothing was located.
15 20:30 600108	CTL	LAND	1	4	1			4 Kelowna SAR members responded to rescue an injured female climber in "The Cragg" climbing area at Kettle Valley in Cedar Mountain Provincial Park. The female was rescued by SAR members and brought to hospital by BCAS.
16 12:36 600109	SWE	INLAND WATER	2	6	2			6 Ridge Meadows SAR members responded to search for 2 missing people and their 16' boat on Pitt Lake. The SAR team located the subjects at the south end of Goose Island, in good condition. The boat had broken down, drifted and was washed ashore.
16 13:55 600110	CTL	INLAND WATER		5				5 Peachland Fire Dept members responded to investigate reports of a floating object in Okanagan lake. Incident was stood down when nothing was found.
16 14:24 600111	SEA	LAND	1	17	1			17 Cranbrook SAR and PEP Air members participated in a search for a missing motorcyclist near Perry Creek. The individual was found injured but alive.
16 16:14 600112	SWE	INLAND WATER	1	16			1	16 Chilliwack SAR members responded to rescue an individual reported to be clinging to a log going down the Chilliwack River. A helicopter, swift water rescue and ground SAR members searched the river. They were stood down when a witness reported seeing someone self-rescue from the river. The RCMP Dog Team picked up a trail at that location which led up to the road. It is believed the individual was picked up by a passing motorist.
16 20:23 600113	VIR	LAND	2	18	2			18 Nanaimo SAR members responded to search for 2 hikers missing in the Mount Benson area. Both hikers were located in good health and brought out to safety.
16 21:47 600114	SWE	AIR	ELT	3				3 PEP Air members responded following a JRCC report of an ELT sounding in the Creston area. The signal was traced to the airport where the ELT was located and shut off.
16 21:54 600115	CTL	LAND	1	101	1			101 Vernon, CORD, Shuswap, Barriere, Penticton, Kamloops, Logan Lake, Clearwater, Revelstoke and Prince George SAR members responded to assist RCMP in the search for an 11 year old female who was abducted in Armstrong. The child was located by RCMP and taken to hospital for treatment.
18 12:34 600116	SWE	LAND	1	7	1			7 North Shore SAR members responded to locate an overdue skier on Mt Burwell. SAR was stood after the subject managed to walk out on his own.

18 20:41 600117	CTL	INLAND WATER	2	4	2		4 Naramata FD members responded to a boater in distress on Okanagan Lake. Both individuals were assisted safely to shore.
18 19:40 600118	CTL	INLAND WATER	1	8		1	4 Naramata and 4 Penticton Fire Rescue members responded following report of a floating object in Okanagan Lake. Fire Rescue members recovered a body from the lake which was transferred to the custody of the Coroner.
18 20:47 600119	SWE	AIR	ELT	2			2 PEP Air members responded to locate an ELT that was sounding west of Hope. The transmitter was located in a helicopter and shut down.
19 11:18 600120	SWE	INLAND WATER	4	5	4		5 Kent Harrison SAR members responded to rescue 2 adults and 2 children whose boat was taking on water on Harrison Lake. The boat and all persons on board were transported back to safety at the Harrison dock.
20 03:24 600121	NWE	INLAND WATER		13			13 Kitimat, Bulkley Valley SAR and Terrace Water Rescue teams responded following reports of person who jumped into the Kitimat River off the Haisla Bridge. An extensive search of the area by SAR members, Dept of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) and Coast Guard Auxiliary failed to locate any sign of a subject. The search was stood down pending further RCMP investigation.
20 10:38 600122	SEA	LAND	1	5	1		5 Golden SAR members responded to rescue an injured mountain biker on Mount Seven. The subject was rescued and transferred to BCAS.
20 15:07 600123	SEA	LAND	1	8	1		8 SAR members from Rossland, Beaver Valley and Castlegar responded to rescue an injured quad rider in the Fort Shepherd area. SAR members transported the individual who suffered undisclosed injuries to waiting BCAS.
20 15:46 600124	SWE	LAND	1	28	1		28 Coquitlam SAR members responded to search for a 15 year old male missing from his residence in the Coquitlam area. The youth was located by his parents who transported him to the RCMP detachment.
20 16:58 600125	SEA	INLAND WATER	1	12	1		12 Golden SAR members responded to rescue a kayaker who had been swept away from his kayak on the Kickinghorse River. The subject was located by helicopter and rescued from the river.
21 01:36 600126	SWE	LAND		5			5 Chilliwack SAR members responded following report of flare sightings in the area of Vance Road. RCMP stood team down after an extensive search of the area failed to locate any signs of person(s) in distress.
21 02:26 600127	CTL	INLAND WATER		6			6 Penticton SAR members responded to search the shoreline of Okanagan River following report of a person wondering the shore who possibly fell into the river. Tasking was stood down when no trace of the subject was found.
21 12:25 600128	SEA	LAND	1	9	1		4 Cranbrook SAR members and 5 Creston Fire Rescue members responded to rescue an injured quad rider in Yahk. The quad rider was located suffering back injuries, over a 20 foot bank.

							Rescuers used ropes, basket stretcher and hand tools to retrieve the patient who was then turned over to waiting BCAS for treatment
21 14:13 600129	CTL	LAND	1	7	1		7 Oliver SAR members responded to rescue an injured hiker on Keegan Mountain. The subject was located with an injured ankle, flown out by helicopter and transferred to waiting ambulance.
21 14:29 600130	CTL	INLAND WATER	1	5		1	5 Penticton Fire Rescue members responded to search for a swimmer in distress at south end of Okanagan Lake. Rescuers located and recovered the individual deceased.
2113:15 600131	SWE	LAND	4	16	3	1	16 Chilliwack SAR members responded to rescue 4 individuals who went over an embankment in a vehicle on the Mount Vedder Forest Services Road. Upon arrival, the SAR members found two ambulatory, 1 injured and 1 deceased subject. The deceased subject was turned over to the coroner and the other subjects were transferred to BCAS for assessment and treatment.
21 15:58 600132	SWE	LAND	3	11	3		11 Sunshine Coast SAR members responded to search for 3 lost hikers on logging road on Gambier Island. SAR was stood down when the hikers were located by other individuals and taken to safety.
21 16:52 600133	CTL	INLAND WATER	2	6	2		6 members of Naramata Fire Rescue responded following a report of boaters in distress. The team recovered 2 subjects who were both transferred to BCAS.
21 17:43 600134	VIR	LAND	1	14	1		14 Alberni Valley Rescue Squad members responded following RCMP request to rescue an injured hiker on Mount Arrowsmith. 442 Squadron attended and hoisted the injured subject off the hillside and transported him to Comox Hospital for treatment.
21 17:56 600135	CTL	INLAND WATER	1	1	1		1 Princeton SAR member responded to assist RCMP with rescue of an individual clinging to a raft in the Similkameen River near Princeton. SAR was stood down shortly after call out, as the individual was rescued by people on scene.
21 18:09 600136	CTL	INLAND WATER		2			2 members of Kelowna Fire Rescue responded following RCMP report of a sailboat in distress on Okanagan Lake. Kelowna Fire Rescue talked with other sailboaters in the area and ascertained that the call was a hoax.
21 20:33 600137	CTL	LAND	1	18	1		18 SAR members from Logan Lake, Kamloops, Barriere and Merritt responded to search for a missing hiker in the Dead Man Creek Valley. The individual was located sitting at a campfire and SAR members were stood down.
22 12:12 600138	SWE	LAND	2	20	2		20 SAR members from Chilliwack and Kent Harrison responded to rescue two injured hikers in Bridal Falls. One individual was escorted out of the area on foot and the second was carried out on a stretcher by SAR members and transferred to

								BCAS.
22 13:55 600139	SEA	LAND	1	6	1			5 Kimberly and 1 Cranbrook SAR members responded assist BCAS to rescue an elderly woman who had fallen over an embankment. The team recovered the woman who was then transferred to BCAS in fair condition.
WEEK TOTAL		33	38	390	34	3	1	ELT - 2
YEAR TO DATE		139	174	1421	161	9	4	ELT - 12

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#### **FLOODING**

On 18 May 2006 BC Ministry of Environment issued a widespread Flood Watch for small and mid-sized rivers in the southern interior. The Flood Watch was issued for the following areas: West and East Kootenay, Boundary, Columbia, Okanagan and the South Thompson.

The Central Provincial Regional Emergency Operations Centre (PREOC) in Kamloops, the Southeast PREOC in Nelson and the Provincial Emergency Coordination Centre (PECC) in Victoria activated with TEAMS members and PEP staff to provide technical, logistical and operational support to local governments and First Nations. Forecast hydrologists from the Ministry of Environment continued monitoring water levels and worked with the PREOCs to provide timely advice to local governments for use in flood planning. The province has distributed 160,000 sandbags to communities throughout the Central Interior and the Kootenays.

On 19 May the PECC received a copy of a Declaration of a State of Local Emergency Order for the Areas of Winlaw to Kootenay River to the Last Resident on Little Slocan River Fire #3052. The Slocan River threatened numerous homes in the Passmore area in the Regional District of Central Kootenay. An evacuation alert was issued to 425 homes and (#) homes were evacuated because of evacuation orders. Two 20 person Ministry of Forests (MoF) unit crews were sent to the Passmore area to assist with sandbagging.

The water reservoir in the area of North Glade was inundated with water causing the reservoir to burst it sides rendering 300 residences without water.

There was a dike breach along Boundary Creek in Greenwood posing a threat to the community water treatment plant. One MoF unit crew was diverted from Passmore to assist in Greenwood.

The Southeast PREOC in Nelson began 24 hour operations (Level 3) to assure that support was available to communities during their response to the flood event. The PECC also began 24 hour operations in response to the flooding issues in the Province.

For current provincial flood information, go to <a href="https://www.pep.gov.bc.ca">www.pep.gov.bc.ca</a>

#### **BODY RECOVERY**

On 16 May 2006, 4 members of Penticton Fire Department responded to recover a body located in Okanagan Lake near Naramata.

On 21 May 2006, 8 Kent/Harrison SAR members responded to recover a body from the Fraser River at the Ruby Creek Debris Trap.

#### **URBAN INTERFACE FIRE**

On 16 May 2006, an interface fire threatened the community of Hagensborg. Ministry of Forests fire crews responded with air and ground crews to bring the fire under control.

On 16 May 2006, an interface fire threatened and destroyed a home in the Williams Lake area at Chimney Lake near Dog Creek. Ministry of Forests responded with ground crews to extinguish fire and bring it under control.

On 17 May 2006, an interface fire threatened a home at the west end of Horse Lake, near 100 Mile House. Ministry of Forests responded and with the assistance of the local Fire Department was able to bring the blaze under control.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

On 18 May 2006, 7 members of Kelowna Fire Rescue responded to rescue a male who was in a 65 foot tree in his yard. The Technical Rescue team successfully retrieved the subject from the tree.

On 20 May 2006, Osoyoos Fire Rescue assisted BCAS rescuing an injured person from Osoyoos Lake.

On May 21 2006, 15 members of Campbell River SAR responded to rescue a dog from in a crevasse in the Menzies Mainline area North of Campbell River.

#### **URBAN FIRE (S):**

DATE	<b>LOCATION</b>	<u>IMPACTED</u>
15 May 06	Vancouver	22 people
15 May 06	Saanich	13 people
17 May 06	Vernon	10 people
17 May 06	North Vancouver	1 person
17 May 06	Esquimalt	6 people
17 May 06	Cortes Island	2 people
19 May 06	Mission	6 people
19 May 06	Victoria	4 people
19 May 06	View Royal	2 people
19 May 06	New Westminster	20 people