

Talk Lead By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Site/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Weather Report/Conditions:

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High: \_\_\_\_\_ °C

Wind Speed: \_\_\_\_\_ km/hr




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Low: \_\_\_\_\_ °C

Wind Gusts: \_\_\_\_\_ km/hr

## Harvest Safety Highlights

Below are some discussion points to keep in mind this harvest. While far from comprehensive, this list will give you some important points to talk about with your family, your crew, and contracting employers (such as custom harvest crews):

- 1. Keep lights, mirrors and safety reflectors clean.** A spray bottle filled with glass cleaner or vinegar and water and some clean rags in the cab can help you see where you are going and helps others to see you and your equipment.
- 2. Walk around your equipment before getting in...every time!** You never know what may have changed since you were last in it or looked. Could a child or pet find shade by or under it? 
- 3. Drive slowly when travelling through areas where children may be present,** such as yards or driveways. It may be busy, and you might be pressed for time, but it is not worth the couple of seconds you might save by driving faster.
- 4. Know where everyone on your crew is located.** Everyone should be wearing some form of high visibility clothing and know how to safely approach equipment. If you lose sight of anyone, stop moving until visual contact is made.
- 5. Honk the horn on your tractor or combine three times before starting it or engaging the components.** This will alert the people on your crew that something is happening and to pay attention.
- 6. Keep a fully charged fire extinguisher on your equipment.** Keep the engine and engine compartment clean. Check belts, grease bearings, and clear debris regularly to prevent equipment fires. Take steps to avoid losing a key piece of equipment during harvest. 
- 7. Have several gallons of water and a shovel handy.** Having the ability to throw water or dirt on a fire immediately after ignition is incredibly important.
- 8. Keep first aid kits in your equipment.** You often work remotely and/or alone. You need to be able to do something in the event you get hurt or encounter someone else who has been. Blood loss from an injury can happen faster than you think, and the items in the first aid kit may be enough to help slow the bleeding until help arrives.
- 9. Get sleep, eat well, stay hydrated, and take breaks often.** When you are fatigued, you become less productive and more likely to make a mistake... and mistakes can sometimes be deadly. 
- 10. Think about what you are going to do and what could go wrong.** Once you have identified what could go wrong, take steps to prevent it from happening. A few moments spent doing this can spare a life or a lifetime of regret.

**Additional Topics/Discussion:**

*Might include task/job details, hazards and hazard controls, worksite specific emergency response, etc.*

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