





Safety Alert Smashed Dumper Windscreen

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Costain & Jacobs

RDPN WHSE

Alert



Package / Contract	RDP North - Scotswood to North Brunton	Location	A1 North of Jct77 southbound
Date & Time	11 October circa 12:15pm	Incident Type	Smashed Dumper Windscreen

Outline of Incident

On Monday 11 October 2021 at circa 12 noon, a Costain pickup was stuck adjacent to the haul road within the verge working area on the southbound side. A decision was made to use a supply chain dumper to 'push' the Costain pickup out of the area it was stuck in. The individuals involved decided to use two 300mm pieces of 4"x2" timber between the dumper and pick up as an aide in the attempt to push the pickup clear. The timber has sprung free and smashed the front windscreen glass of the dumper. Once it was established that no one was hurt, the pickup was pushed out manually.

Photographs







Smashed windscreen on dumper

Corrective Actions Taken

- ✓ Haul road in that area repaired and improved for clear lines between road and verge.
- ✓ All on site instructed not to attempt to carry out actions that are not covered by an appropriate RAMS.
- ✓ Full inspection of all other haul road areas within verges on the project.
- ✓ Specific maintenance team dedicated to maintenance of all haul roads.

Preventative Actions Taken

- ✓ Recovery process to be set out, documented then communicated to all relevant people on project.
- ✓ Full investigation underway to determine required preventative actions,
- ✓ Hazard perception training from a behavioural aspect to be developed and rolled out across the RDPN.

Significant Learnings

- Control of parking on haul roads to be improved.
- ✓ Review of passing points or the extension of hard surfaces in verge.
- ✓ Winter weather approaching all projects to get their winter preparedness plans in place and communicated well.

Further Information

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