



SAFETY ALERT

PUBLIC SECTOR INCIDENT ALERT

WorkSafeBC Recent Incidents Link: Recent incidents - WorkSafeBC

ID Number: 2023189800002 **Injury Type:** Fatal (1 Person)

Location: Local Government and related operations

Date of Incident: 2023-March

A person was crossing a public road when they were stuck by a wheel loader

with a snowblower attachment.

Vehicle traffic is the greatest danger for pedestrians. Workers are at a risk when they are near mobile equipment. Both operators and pedestrians need to be aware of hazards and safety tips when working near mobile equipment.

Tips for Drivers:

- Focus on the road. Put your phone away while driving.
- Be prepared to yield to pedestrians.
- When a vehicle is stopped in front of you or in the next lane, consider that it may be yielding for a pedestrian.



TIPS FOR PEDESTRIANS

1	Make eye contact with the operator to ensure they see you. Never assume an operator has seen you.
2	Pay attention. Remove your headphones and put your phone away while on the road.
3	Watch for drivers turning left and right through the crosswalk. Provide space and keep a safe distance.
4	Always use the cross walk and follow pedestrian signs and traffic signals.
5	Wear reflective gear to make it easier for operators to see you in different conditions.

Additional Resources

- 1. ICBC Be a Safe Pedestrian
- 2. CDC Pedestrian Safety
- 3. WorkSafeBC Fields of Vision Video