







SAFETY ALERT

INCIDENT	INOT-1011 – Work vehicle swept off Falls Road Causeway
SUBJECT	Driving to the Conditions
INCIDENT DATE	16 July 2020
BUSINESS UNIT	Infrastructure – NX2 Puhoi to Warkworth Project

WHAT HAPPENED?

At approximately 6.30 a.m. a work vehicle was driving down Falls Road towards the Wyllie Road office. The vehicle attempted to cross the causeway which had approximately 300mm of water running over it.

During the crossing the rear passenger wheel dropped off the causeway, resulting in the vehicle being incapacitated. The vehicle was then pushed by the flood water off the causeway. The driver exited the vehicle by climbing out the window.

An incident investigation is currently underway.





IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR ALL OF US (pre-investigation)

It is the project requirement that any roads which are flooded or have water running across them are NOT to be crossed.

If the road ahead is flooded - TURN AROUND, DON'T DROWN.

The Power of floodwater:

- 150mm of water is enough to cause a vehicle's tyres to lose traction and slide
- 300mm: it only takes a foot of water to float most cars. If you're floating, you're not steering or braking
- 600mm: Risky for even the largest, toughest vehicles. A pickup truck or SUV can be carried away by only a couple of feet of water.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

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