

# Construction Initiated Slides Working Group Wraps Up It's Work

Slides initiated by road construction can be very serious and while there have been no fatalities to date; these events have considerable human, environmental and operational costs. Despite the efforts of different individuals and organizations, construction initiated landslides have been a persistent issue.



The Construction Initiated Slides Working Group (CISWG ) a sub group of the Coast Harvesting Advisory Group (CHAG), worked from 2014 to early 2019 examining landslides that were caused by road construction activities and explore how best to support industry in preventing similar incidents in the future.

The key objective of the group was to enhance safety through improving awareness and knowledge with regards to field indicators relating to potential slope instability, road construction plans/maps/designs, road management practices, road construction techniques and operational initiatives that improve worker safety and aid in the elimination of construction initiated slides (CIS).

Based on this work the CISWG has finalized the following materials:

1. CIS awareness/training package for road construction crews and supervisors, (.ppt and webinar)
2. CIS awareness/training package for forestry personnel involved in the planning, and development of resource roads, (.ppt and webinar)
3. Road design elements training guide,
4. CIS testimonial video,
5. A series of CIS awareness posters, and
6. CIS articles and bulletins

Recommendations to CHAG regarding the use and implementation of these materials within coastal operations have also been finalized.

CISWG materials are accessible via the following link:

<http://www.bcforestsafe.org/node/2713>

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