

## Safety Alert 25-87 Cut Injury - Hodssock

The following Safety Alert contains content from an external source which is relevant to MWH Treatment Operations

### Incident Outline

While work was being carried out in the ASP tank near Wall 11, BFS operatives were stripping the main shutter with a crane attached. The IP, positioned on the steel side of a MEWP, levered the shutter away from the wall by approximately 40mm. The IP then descended in the MEWP and moved underneath the area where the shutter was to be removed, positioning on the opposite side of the wall to check that it was free and safe to begin lifting the shutter. During this process of carrying out the final safety check a 4x2 piece of timber became dislodged, fell from the top corner of the wall, approximately 6 m high, striking the IP and causing a cut to the upper lip.

The work area was made safe immediately after the incident.

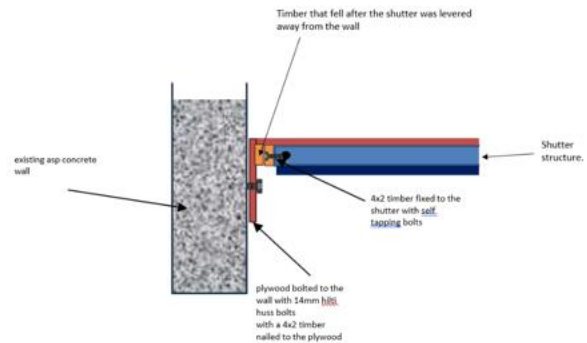
The IP was administered first aid and then taken to hospital for further checks with no further medical treatment required on his return to site the same day.

### Photographs



**Photo 1:** Red circle- the location that the timber fell after becoming dislodged before proceeding to lift out the shutter.

Blue circle- A piece of timber fell from the location marked by the red circle and struck the IP on the lip.



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**Photo 2:** Diagram detailing the structural arrangements of the wall/shutter system.

### Immediate Action Required

During any lifting operation you must have an exclusion zone, so you remain out of the line of fire. If loads need to be guided, other means should be used such as guide ropes. Remember HOSSAS (Hands off, Step Away, Safe Space)

