



UBC OKANAGAN
Health, Safety and Environment
Objectives 2010/2011

Action #1	Expected Outcomes
<p>Organize and oversee UBC O's first full scale emergency exercise during emergency preparedness week. Provide training for current and new EOC staff to ensure proper preparation before the event.</p>	<p>Increased confidence and strengthened communication links between incident command staff, emergency operations centre staff, senior management, and external agencies when managing a large scale campus disaster.</p>

Action #2	Expected Outcomes
<p>Collaborate with UBC Vancouver to ensure the electronic business continuity software meets the needs of the Okanagan campus.</p>	<p>A campus specific implementation strategy for disseminating the Vancouver tool and providing local support to operational and teaching units.</p>

Action #3	Expected Outcomes
<p>Collaborate with relevant University units to increase environmental programs initiatives that include strengthening and promoting the pollution prevention initiatives of the Green Research Advisory Committee, and the establishment of environmental monitoring program.</p>	<p>Increased knowledge of laboratory pollution prevention techniques. Increased efficiency and accuracy of hazardous material reporting. The development of individual laboratory pollution prevention strategies.</p>

Action #4	Expected Outcomes
<p>Develop an implementation plan for establishing the research safety oversight model while building and strengthening local Biosafety, Radiation Safety, and Chemical Safety programs.</p>	<p>Engagement of the local research community and HSE in the review and approval of research grant applications.</p> <p>Increased assurance that those that have access to environments that store or utilize hazardous material have been properly trained and oriented to the hazards present.</p> <p>The establishment of a system that ensures that all laboratory renovations or work conducted by UBC O staff or contractors is reviewed by HSE prior the commencement of work.</p>

Action #5	Expected Outcomes
<p>Review the effectiveness of UBC O's Contractor and General Safety Programs, identify gaps in programming, and increase awareness by hosting a seminar in conjunction with WorkSafeBC to the community.</p>	<p>Reduced injuries and incidents in the trades and contracted work and increased morale.</p> <p>Reduced potential for occupational injuries by establishing a musculoskeletal injury prevention program in Facilities, Supply Management and IT Services.</p>

Action #6	Expected Outcomes
<p>Review, strengthen and expand the existing field research program to include all faculties/departments that conduct research off-campus.</p>	<p>A more streamlined program that is used campus-wide to further reduce risks associated with research and teaching that is conducted off campus.</p>

Action #7	Expected Outcomes
<p>Strengthen and promote the creation of more department/unit safety committees with the objective of effectively reducing unique hazards at a local level. Ensure that these committees are supported by HSE with clear mandates and reporting instructions to the University Health and Safety Committee.</p>	<p>Increased community engagement in health and safety related activities and events.</p>

Action #8	Expected Outcomes
<p>Within the Medical Surveillance Program (Okanagan), identify specific initiatives that could be completed that would reduce the risks to research staff and faculty exposed to blood and blood-borne pathogens, and respiratory hazards.</p>	<p>Reduced occupational risks to those who work with blood and blood-borne pathogens as well as respiratory hazards.</p>

Action #9	Expected Outcomes
<p>Further develop the first aid program to increase training opportunities, awareness and reporting, and establish protocols for non-medical injury assessments and reassessments through HSE as a mechanism to reduce lost time.</p>	<p>Reduced health care claims, increased worker morale, and increased confidence in first aid responders.</p>

Action #10	Expected Outcomes
Raise professional/service profile of HSE Okanagan.	Increase unit communications with the community through the use of website and possible e-newsletter.