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Questions & Response:

What do you believe are the best ways to communicate to quad bike users about risks and safe use practices? Electronic (social) and print media

What do you think are the key safety messages for quad bike users?
Equipment risks associated with ATV, PPE, correct equipment operation and responsibility

In your experience, what are the most prevalent risk factors associated with the use of quad bikes? Operator skill and attitude,

Have you utilised training in relation to quad bikes? If so, what was your experience? As a local government PCBU has a WHS responsibility to ensure workers are safe. Training and safe operation are a core element of operating a ATV.

Is appropriate training readily available in the State? If not, how is it lacking? Yes,

Do you think training should be mandated (legally required) in some way?
Yes

What do you think are the barriers to greater numbers of riders using

training courses? How could these be addressed? Barriers are likely to be operator attitude and accessibility to training. Cost is also a likely barrier.

In your experience, is there a high prevalence of quad bike users wearing helmets? This is a mandatory requirement within our workplace. I am unsure of the prevalence / use of helmets outside our workplace.

What would encourage greater use of helmets? Make it a legislated requirement â€” similar to life PFD in boating

What is currently a barrier to the wearing of helmets? Barriers are likely to be operator attitude

Would you support the creation of an Australian Standard for quad bike helmets? Yes

Should helmets be mandatory (legally required) for quad bike riders? Yes

Have you installed rollover protection? If so, what has been your experience? If not, why not? No , I understand a risk assessment in our workplace concluded that there may be a high risk of injury with a rollover protection fitted. Other rollover risk mitigation measures were preferred.

Is the cost of installing rollover protection a barrier? I donâ€™t believe cost was a significant barrier.

Do you support the development of an Australian Standard for quad bike design? Yes, but assessing areas of application and use might be covered in a standard

Would a safety rating system affect your purchasing choices in the future? Yes, but assessing functional performance would also be considered.

If a system was implemented, what do you think should be included as part of the system? Stability â€ slope and impact & operator safety features,

Would a similar rebate scheme deliver improved quad bike safety in the Tasmanian context? Maybe

Specific to the Quad safety / ATV use within our workplace (local Government) The following is a summary of comments specific to Central Coast Council situation.

Ã Trained and competent operators, Our operator is trained and licensed and now has several yearsâ™ experience.

Ã Do not carry passengerâ™s, We do not carry passengerâ™s.

Ã Right Load, Our ATV has been load rated and comes under the GVM load for that vehicle.

Ã~ Helmet, The operator always wears a helmet.

Ã~ Roll over protection, This has been considered in the past but there remains some contention as to whether or not these devices provide a net safety benefit .

Ã~ Maintenance on ATV, Our ATV is maintained and serviced regularly.

The current Concil procedure states that if the ATV has to enter the vehicle travelling lane a shadow vehicle must be engaged for the protection.

When doing roundabouts a shadow vehicle must be engaged for this activity.

The rider has communications on board.

Our current rego allows us to be 2km from our works depot, if we go outside that 2km zone the ATV needs to be trailered to a new designated depot site and the 2km zone starts from there.

In future consideration for a replacement of our ATV might be a single seater ATV with seatbelts, built in rollover protection and a higher level of safety features, I believe that our ATV might be due for replacement in 2018.

I hope this provides suitable information and answers some questions for you.

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From: CBOS info (DoJ) [mailto:CBOSinfo@justice.tas.gov.au]

Sent: Monday, 9 January 2017 3:54 PM

Subject: Quad Bike Safety Taskforce - release of Issues Paper

Importance: High

Please find attached the discussion paper â€œ Quad Bike Safety in Tasmania.

This paper was developed by the Quad Bike Safety Taskforce, a multi-agency group formed by the Minister for Building and Construction Mr Guy Barnett, to look at innovative statewide strategies to improve safety outcomes for quad bike users in the State.

Your organisation has been identified as a stakeholder in quad bike use and safety in Tasmania and we hope you will help provide valuable insight as the Taskforce works towards the development of a statewide plan.

If you believe there is a more appropriate person in your organisation to provide feedback to this paper, please feel free to forward this email to them.

The issues paper is attached to this email and has also been released publicly on the Department of Justice website at

http://www.justice.tas.gov.au/community-consultation/quad_bike_safety_taskforce

Feedback is being invited prior to Tuesday 28 February 2017.

Email submissions are preferred.

Submissions seeking to be treated as confidential should be clearly marked as "confidential".

Submissions provided by mail should be sent to;

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