

# Borates HSEQ Initial Alert

Incident Number: 1000509398



<b>Incident:</b>	Forklift collided against a post		
<b>Preliminary Classification:</b>	Medical Treatment Injury (MTCI)		
<b>Critical Control:</b>	Road Design and Maintenance		
<b>Operation / Project:</b>	Nules (Spain)	<b>Location:</b>	Street between loading yard and silos
<b>Date:</b>	8/01/2019	<b>Time:</b>	11:00 am
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## What happened:

An operator was driving a forklift from the loading yard when a second operator indicated to the first operator to follow him to the silos. To do so, the first operator moved backward to an empty area on the side, waited until the second operator passed and move forward to follow. After driving about 2 meters, the first operator hit a post with his forklift. The first operator was wearing a seat belt, but the sudden hit made his head move forward and his chin hit against the handle of the driving wheel and was cut.

## Preliminary findings:

- Environment: Forklift moved into area where post was a hazard. Purpose of post is unclear
- Equipment: Forklift has blind spots by design
- People: The operator has been working on site for about 2 months

## Initial learnings:

- Environment: none
- Equipment: Blind spots are to be considered when driving forklift
- People: People need to have a good understanding of the surrounding area

