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| **Company:** | | | **Workplace Location:** | |
| **Prepared by:** | | | **Date:** | |
| **TASK:** Lifting Downer Cows using Hip Clamp/Hoist. | | | | |
| **STEPS** | **HAZARD** | **LEVEL OF RISK** | | **CONTROL METHOD** |
| **Open Gates to holding pen and enter with Front end loader.** | Gate hitting / falling on operator. | **Low** | | * Inspect gates and doorways regularly on farm for maintenance of hinges as per monthly worksite inspections. |
| **Attaching clamp to cow’s pelvis.** | Cow falling out of clamp and injuring worker. | **Low** | | * Toolbox education to workers. Proper hoist placement and attachment of hoist to cow. * Inspect hoist prior to use. |
| **Attaching clamp to front end loader.** | Worker’s finger hand being caught in pinch points of hydraulic attachment. | **Moderate** | | * Toolbox talk. Explaining to worker safe work practices when using front end loader/skidsteer. * Demonstrate optimum attachment points for hoist. * Tractor safety training would assist worker understand further general tractor safety. |
| Worker being pinned by front end loader. |
| **Lifting cow to standing position.** | Cow falling on worker. | **Moderate** | | * Inspect hoist sling prior to use. |
| Hoist attachment failure. |
| **Releasing cow from clamp.** | Cow falling on worker. | **Moderate** | | * Toolbox talk explain optimum release method from hoist. Preferable using a hook attached to loader which can be released from tractor operating seat. |
| **Removing tractor / Skidsteer from Animal pen.** | Bystander run over, calf run over. | **Low** | | * Toolbox talk. Explain hazards to worker relating to reversing out of animal pen. |
| **Other Recommendations:**   * It is preferable to have 2 people minimum to complete this task. * Always seek the advice of your Veterinarian prior to lifting Downer cows who may have underlying fractures or injuries for which * Hoist may not be effective. * Seek your supervisors advice if you are still unsure about the use of lifting hoist. | | | | |

