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Public Service Announcement

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Keep Safety Top of Mind This Harvest Season

Harvest season is upon us, bringing long days in the fields for farmers and farm workers. While there is a lot going on during this busy season, it's crucial to not put safety on the back burner.

Operating large farm equipment, combined with mental and physical fatigue, combatting adverse weather conditions, and other challenges, can significantly increase the risk of injury.

Being proactive with safety can help reduce risks this harvest season. Remember to take regular breaks and stretch outside of any equipment. Keep track of equipment maintenance and quickly address even minor issues. Ensure that any machinery travelling on public roads has the appropriate signage and working lights so that you can see and be seen by others. And don't overlook the value of encouraging open communication on your farm by inviting workers to share any health and safety concerns or ideas for improvement.

Keeping safety top of mind will help ensure everyone on your farm has a safe harvest season.

For more information about farm and grain safety, visit <u>casa-acsa.ca/BeGrainSafe-</u>Week.