



Jurisdictional Report 2016

LEGISLATION

- **Change to the WCB Act to allow for the establishment and funding of Safety Associations**
- **Change to the WCB Act to have mandatory coverage for farm employees, effective January 1, 2017**

REGULATIONS

- **WHMIS – Drafting phase is almost complete**
 - **Presentation to the public before going to the Legislature**
- **Asbestos – Final draft of the revised legislation being reviewed**
 - **Debate on definition of ACM**
 - **Discussion on need for Types or Levels**

PROSECUTIONS

- **Meadowbank Farm**
 - **Owner charged \$5000 for failure to provide a safe working environment.**
 - **Worker slipped on ice and fell into an unguarded PTO.**

- **Island Wide Roofing**
 - **Owners charged \$10,000 for failure to provide adequate training and supervision to a worker working at heights.**

PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

- Workplace Health and Safety Conference
- Plain Language Project
 - *Guide to the OHS Act*
 - *Information on Workplace Health and Safety*
- WHMIS 2015 material on symbols and employer/employee requirements

OFFICER ACTIVITY

| Activity | # | Resulting Orders |
|-------------------------|-----|------------------|
| Regular Inspections | 703 | 637 |
| Identified Inspections | 212 | 122 |
| Investigate Complaints | 107 | 91 |
| Investigate Accidents | 13 | 10 |
| Investigate Incidents | 69 | 54 |
| Follow Up | 444 | 15 |
| Asbestos Permits | 38 | 0 |
| Smoke Free Places Act | 10 | 3 |
| Farm Inspections | 184 | 24 |
| Health Care Inspections | 239 | 306 |
| Stop Work Orders Issued | 47 | 47 |

EDUCATION

- Workshops presented
 - Due Diligence for Supervisors
 - Effective Safety Committees
 - Accident Investigations
 - Speak Up for Safety
 - Workplace Inspections
 - Hazard Assessments
- Create more strategic alliances – initiative
- OHS Leadership Program in 7 high schools
- Farm Safety
 - Agriculture Farm and Forestry Fun Day
 - Tractor Safety Day