

Ute loses traction on access track- initial safety alert

Electrix Event Number
14018



What Happened

Whilst travelling along an access track to get to a work site, a Ute has lost traction and slid down an access track towards a narrow culvert. Unable to steer to the right to negotiate the culvert, the passenger side wheels have missed the culvert, resulting in the Ute coming to rest on its side, beside the culvert.

Findings

The driver of the Ute had walked the track to inspect it prior to driving on it. He had satisfied himself that it looked safe enough to attempt.

Immediate Actions Required

The driver checked his crew mates to see if anyone was injured. There were no injuries. He turned off the ignition, and all three crew members made their way out of the vehicle. The Contract Manager was called, and arrangements were made to recover the vehicle.

PPE

All crew members were wearing their seat belts at the time of the event.

Root Cause

The root cause is still being investigated. The results of the investigation will be made available once the investigation has been completed.

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