STUDENT WORKBOOK

Hazard Tree Proximity and Target Avoidance
Choosing Where We Work, Walk and Stand

Overview:
This module is intended to examine how to avoid becoming the target of a hazard tree when in the field.

Activity Instructions:
Watch the Hazard Tree Proximity and Target Avoidance video on the WFSTAR site. Discuss in small groups or as a class the questions below. If done in groups, share with the class.

Activity
A hazard tree can only become a hazard if it has a target. In this exercise we will explore ideas and techniques to avoid becoming a target.

- Dive into your own past experience around trees. Whether recreating in the woods, involved with project work, or the fireline, think about a situation where trees presented a noteworthy hazard. Have you seen a tree or a limb fall without warning?
  - In your group, discuss your past experience, and how to avoid becoming a target in such situations.

- When entering an area with trees, identify 3 factors that weigh in with your decision, to work walk and stand. Your response can include factors other than tree hazards.

- The next time you’re out in the field:
  - How will you identify target zones?
  - What will you do after identifying a target zone(s)?
  - How will you communicate the target zone with others in the area?

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