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COCA Seeks Flexibility on Orange Hard Hat for Low/Medium TCP Work

WorkSafeBC has adopted the The Ministry of Transportation (MOT) Manual for the purposes of setting standards for Traffic Control. The MOT Manual specifies that the hard hat for a Traffic Control Person (TCP) must be orange.

This is obviously impractical for those workers who do traffic control that is low or medium risk. These workers are normally engaged in other duties most of the time and only control traffic around the construction site on a short term or intermittent basis. These workers also are already wearing hard hats that may be some other colour. It does not make sense to require them to switch hard hats whenever they do low or medium risk traffic control.

COCA is working with WorkSafeBC to reach a reasonable, flexible solution to this issue.