

Risk Assessment Worksheet		1. Project/Incident/Work Activity: Tool Sharpening				2. Location: Los Padres National Forest					
3. Specific Objective: Sharpening Tools correctly		4. Name and Title of Preparer: Eric Verdries, Captain				5. Date Prepared: Wednesday, March 10, 2021					
6. Risk Decision Authority: The risk decision authority block should be signed after the worksheet is completed. Use the Risk Decision Authority matrix to determine the authorization required to sign in block 6.											
Signature:		Title: Forest Supervisor				Date: June 2, 2026 (Reviewed by Bruce Gunther -Safety Manager) See "Additional FLT Comments" on routing slip					
Identify Hazards		Assess Hazards			Risk Control Options		Residual Risk			Decision	Implement
7. Task	8. Hazard	9. Hazard Probability	10. Severity / Consequence	11. RAC	12. Identify hazard mitigations & abatement measures (press [alt + enter] to add a line)	13. Hazard Probability	14. Severity / Consequence	15. RAC	16. Task Necessary?	17. Hazard Control Assigned to:	
Sharpening tools using hand file	Cuts and metal slivers to hand & body Foreign objects to eyes	Unlikely	Moderate	Low	Always wear all PPE. Gloves, long sleeve shirt, pants, closed foot wear, and eye protection required. If available, use proper vice to hold tool head stationary. Sharpen away from cutting edge. Have an experienced person demonstrate proper technique.	Unlikely	Moderate	Low	YES		
Sharpening tools using electric grinder	General maintenance	Possible	Moderate	Moderate	Inspect grinder prior to use. Make sure everything is secure and tight. Inspect disc, at the beginning and periodically while using the grinder. Replace discs that are torn or excessively worn. Always follow owners manual. Put out of service if anything is wrong with the grinder until the problem is fixed.	Possible	Negligible	Low	YES		
Electrical	Electric shock	Unlikely	Negligible	Low	Inspect power cord for frays, cracks, and split. Do not use if cords are not safe and serviceable. Ensure on/off switch is working properly. If any medical emergency follow local protocol. Ensure GFCI outlets are operational to prevent electricution when available.	Unlikely	Critical	Moderate	YES		

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