



# LESSONS LEARNED FROM LOSSES

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## Slip and Fall Risks During Winter Months



For employees that must work outside at times, there are a number of add-on or slip-on devices that are an inexpensive way to improve traction and prevent slips and falls. Consider them personal protective devices for any employees who must be outside and encourage these employees to wear them.

The Public Works employee was picking up a Christmas tree to put it in the back of the trash truck when he slipped and fell on black ice. Among other bumps and bruises the employee suffered a torn rotator cuff requiring surgery. The total incurred on the claim at this time is \$107,000. We feel that this type of claim is completely preventable.

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