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**Subject:** RE: RRD19FR001- Granite Canyon- UP Post Accident Action

We previously did "Mountain Grade Audits" only on territories with over 1.8 percent grade for 3 miles. The Laramie Sub didn't fit that criteria. Since the Granite Canyon incident last October we added the Laramie Sub to our annual audit schedule.

Audit Actions: We review past incidents on grade territories industry wide. We will review the audit form prior to riding with a crew over the grade. Comments will be recorded after the trip. The purpose is to ensure TE&Y crews understand grade operations and how it differs from other territories. We will also review any current instructions that are specific to that grade territory, usually what is on the Subdivision page of the timetable. We also take back any recommendations or issues the crews feel need to be addressed on their Grade Territory.

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