Wildlife in the Workplace Fatality File

Guide Mauled by Bear

A hunting guide – encountered a mother grizzly bear and two cubs while working with a group of clients in a remote area of northern B.C.

The mother bear charged the guide, who dropped to the ground and tried to remain still as the bear attacked him, biting and clawing him several times. The guide was able to fight off the bear by hitting it in the face until it retreated. He was airlifted out of the area by helicopter.

A GoFundMe page started for the guide said he was “bitten on the hip, arm and back, but luckily, he escaped with his life. He suffered a severed tricep, potential nerve damage on his dominant arm and lacerations on his hip and back.”