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Fulton Hogan subcontractor buried under gravel

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A Fulton Hogan subcontractor is in hospital after being buried under the fine gravel he was unloading in Auckland today.

It is understood the driver of a truck unloading roading aggregate at Fulton Hogan's maintenance site in East Tamaki was largely covered by the gravel.



Otara fire senior station officer James Hall told *Inside Resources* they responded to an initial call at around 9.30am of a man trapped under sand at an industrial site in East Auckland.

"When we got there, the people on site had managed to dig him free. We cleared the space a bit more and made sure his airway was clear so he could breathe," he said.

The crew finished clearing the rest away and stopped any other gravel falling onto him.

"There was a fair amount of gravel there but I don't think the entire load had been emptied out."

Hall did not know how the driver came to be at the rear of the vehicle or how he was buried.

It is understood that the 50-year-old male was transported to Middlemore Hospital in a serious condition with a fractured arm.

At the time of publishing, Fulton Hogan hadn't responded to requests for comment, but have said in other media that its key focus is the continued well-being of the individual and is supporting the subcontractor and WorkSafe in its investigation.

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