

Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation

Weekly Summary of Reported Incidents

Sharing safety with the mining industry



- 1. Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover: A worker was travelling in a crew van and contacted a bank, resulting in the van tipping over.
- 2. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire: A dozer operator noticed flames coming from the engine compartment and extinguished the fire with an extinguisher.
- **3. Surface Geotechnical Slope Failure:** Approximately 950 cubic metres of material was found to have sloughed onto an access road.
- **4. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A bulk explosives truck lost traction and stopped on the road. Three other light duty vehicles attempted to drive around but started slipping. The last vehicle lost traction, slid backwards, and contacted the front bumper of the stopped truck.
- **5. Surface Blasting Explosives:** Unsecured explosives were found in a powder truck during an inspection in the shop.

Comments: Mine managers are responsible for ensuring proper storage and handling of explosives, as outlined in Part 8 of the Code. The Code also requires you to have a BC Mines Blaster Certificate to perform blasting on a mine site in B.C. Please visit <u>https://openschool.bc.ca/bcminescert</u> for the Blaster Online Certification Program.