



Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

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Dangerous Occurrences Reported for the Week of May 31 to June 06, 2021

#1 Surface Explosives: An explosives truck parked in a locked compound was found with a partial bag of explosives in the back, a blasting cap in the cap compartment and the explosive's site gate keys in the cab.

#2 Wildlife: Camp crew arrived in the evening and began site setup. A worker was hooking up propane when they were attacked by a black bear. The worker sustained injury to the leg and hand.

#3 Surface Maintenance: While pressure washing, a worker slipped and was accidentally hit by the spray of their pressure washer wand. The worker was taken to hospital for treatment of abrasions.

#4 Surface Maintenance and Electrical: While performing a ditch line excavation, an excavator operator contacted an underground power line. Approximately 2 metres of the power line were pulled out of the ground and were fully exposed, with damage to the outer lining.

#5 Underground Blasting: A round was fully tied in and ready to blast while workers were still in the area.

#6 Underground Explosives: A worker found a black garbage bag inside of a portable toilet while changing it out. Inside the garbage bag was roughly 15 powder sticks.

#7 Surface Mobile Equipment: A drill was being towed by a track dozer when the tow bar broke. The drill travelled uncontrolled for approximately 150 metres and impacted an electrical junction box and a GPS unit before coming to a stop. No injuries were sustained.

#8 Surface Mobile Equipment: A haul truck's brakes released unexpectedly and began to roll towards a light duty vehicle. The operator tried to apply the brakes and steer away however contact was made to the driver's side of the light duty vehicle. The operator in the light duty vehicle was able to exit the cab uninjured.

Comments:

Explosives and Careless Acts - Code s.8.3.9

(1) No person shall:

(a) commit a careless act with explosives or detonators, or

(b) having discovered that such an act has been committed, neglect or omit to report immediately the incident to the shiftboss, who shall report the matter forthwith to the manager.

(2) The manager shall report the offence, without delay, to the inspector and to the OHSC.