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Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

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Dangerous Occurrences Reported for the Week of December 20 to 26, 2021

#1 Mobile Equipment Maintenance: After washing the outside of a haul truck, a worker lifted the truck's box to clean the underbody and could hear and see material begin to slide out. Before the worker was able to drop the box, the material released and knocked a hole in the wash bay's door. No injuries were reported.

#2 Surface Mobile Equipment: A plow truck caught fire while a propane heater was being used to heat it. The fire was extinguished with a loader's bucket of snow. The engine and cab of the plow truck were damaged.

#3 Underground Geotechnical: An unexpected fall of ground was reported in the back of a stope. No injuries were reported.

#4 Surface Mobile Equipment: A worker driving by an unoccupied, idling haul truck noticed a small fire near the exhaust. The fire was too small for the automatic suppression system to catch and was extinguished.

Comments:

When exposing something to heat or a flame, consider the potential for flammable liquids or other materials that may ignite quickly. Always have an appropriate means of extinguishing a fire when using an ignition source or working with flammable materials.