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# Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

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

**#1 Stoppage of Ventilation:** A power outage to the site resulted in a loss of mine ventilation. All personnel were evacuated until ventilation was restored.

**#2 Out of Control Vehicle:** The operator of a backhoe was attempting to drop off a 2.5-meter-high end cut when the machine's right track slipped off the crest causing it to roll onto its side. There were no injuries.

**#3 Unexpected Major Ground fall:** While performing routing area inspections underground it was noticed that the ground support screen and bolts had fallen out and released rubble material (approx. 6-8 cubic yards) onto the ground. It is believed that this failure was caused by the concussion and ground vibration from a long hole production blast that was completed in the adjacent drift. There were no personnel underground at the time of the ground fall.

### **Comments:**

All personnel shall check their workplace for hazardous or dangerous conditions as outlined in the Health, Safety and Reclamation Code for Mines in BC.

### **Section 6.25.2 Examination**

The manager shall ensure that all workplaces, travel ways and other areas that may be frequented by mine personnel are regularly inspected and maintained by check scaling as conditions warrant and re-supported as may be prudent and that adequate tools and supplies are provided.