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# Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

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**Dangerous Occurrences**

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## Dangerous Occurrences Reported for the Week of February 14 to 20, 2022

- #1 Surface Exploration:** A worker required stitches to a finger after getting it pinched between a drill bit and core barrel.
- #2 Surface Mobile Equipment:** A front-end loader reversed into a parked light vehicle. No injuries were reported.
- #3 Surface Explosives:** A small electrical fire was noticed on the underside of the pump reel while loading emulsion into the main emulsion tank. The operator and trainee extinguished the fire with hand-help extinguishers.
- #4 Fall from Height:** A worker fell approximately 6 metres from a roof, causing severe head and body injuries.
- #5 Surface Explosives:** An unexploded booster was found in a pile of recently dumped material.
- #6 Surface Maintenance:** A large pump fell approximately 4 metres after the chain hoist slid past and stopped on the overhead trolley beam. The pump landed 1 metre from the worker. No injuries were reported.
- #7 Surface Maintenance:** While using a loader to pull a transfer box onto a trailer with a chain, the chain broke, striking a worker in the face. The driver was taken to the hospital for assessment.
- #8 Surface Mobile Equipment:** While grading an access road, the operator struck a gas line that supplied the mine office complex.
- #9 Underground Mobile Equipment:** While pulling into a re-muck area underground, flames were noticed coming from the exhaust of a haul truck by a nearby mechanic. The truck was shut down immediately, and the mechanic put out the flames with an extinguisher.
- #10 Surface Mobile Equipment:** An autonomous haul truck's "survey" was set too close to a berm protecting the stockpile. When the truck's box lifted, it struck the berm, causing rocks to fall onto a nearby walkway.

### Comments:

**Ropes, slings, chains, and straps under tension are hazardous. Ensure workers are aware of the risk and only use equipment in good working condition and rated for the loads and forces expected during the task.**