



Ministry of
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Weekly Summary of Dangerous Occurrences

Sharing safety with the mining industry



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Dangerous Occurrences Reported for the Week of April 4 to 10, 2022

#1 Surface Geotechnical: After a blast and subsequent removal of the blasted material, a crack appeared in a section of the back wall. Workers and equipment were removed from the area, and after some time, the wall sloughed.

#2 Surface Mobile Equipment: A dozer operator noticed a hose hanging under a shovel and attempted to fix it. The shovel operator was unaware of the dozer operator beneath the shovel and started to reverse from the dig face. The dozer operator was able to run out from under the machine.

#3 Surface Mobile Equipment: An excavator contacted a 25 kv powerline, causing the breaker to trip. The powerlines were isolated, and the operator was rescued. No injuries were reported.

Comments:

Large equipment operators may not hear or see you approaching!

Before approaching large equipment, ensure you communicate with the operator and make them aware of your intentions. Always wait for a response before proceeding.