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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 June 6 to June 12, 2022

- #1: Surface Mobile Equipment:** While traveling on a mine site, the operator of a truck was startled by deer, causing the truck to swerve left and drive onto a soft shoulder. Once stopped, the truck slowly tipped onto its side. No injuries were reported.
- #2: Underground Explosives:** While cleaning ore passes, a scoop contacted an undetonated detonation cord, causing an explosion. No injuries or damage were reported. Upon investigation, additional detonation cord was found and moved to the underground magazine.
- #3: Underground Hoisting Plant:** The hoist operator observed stray bells in the shaft. Upon inspection to ensure the shaft was safe, wood was discovered on top of the cage, and an old communication cable was found to be tangled in a few broken “tight line” boards. No injuries were reported.
- #4: Surface Mobile Equipment:** While traveling down a ramp, the operator of a haul truck noticed an orange flash on the side of the truck while the onboard fire suppression system sounded. The operator stopped the machine, shut it down to investigate and no flames were observed. No injuries were reported.
- #5: Surface Plant Explosion:** During regular operation, the pressure relief vents opened on a coal dryer. A review of video footage shows a dust and flame cloud emitting from the vents, indicating an explosion occurred. No injuries were reported.
- #6: Surface Mobile Equipment:** A haul truck coming down the ramp lost control and slid into the ditch. The next haul truck following behind contacted the first haul truck. No injuries were reported.

### **Comments:**

**Recovering undetonated explosives is dangerous; ensure only qualified personnel are used for the removal.**