



Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Incidents Reported for the Week of March 27th to April 2nd, 2023

1. **Surface Explosives:** While a worker was side cutting waste material they exposed a historical booster.
2. **Surface Blasting:** A group of water samplers down a side access road were within the blast zone during a blast.
3. **Underground Ventilation Stoppage:** The main breaker tripped causing an unplanned stoppage of underground ventilation fans.
4. **Surface Falling Objects:** A 6" rock fell off a grizzly and hit a worker's back shoulder area causing soft tissues injuries.
5. **Surface Explosives:** An excavator was loading material when a booster was discovered in the box of the haul truck.
6. **Surface Falling Objects:** A loader operator was building up a haul road berm when a rock rolled off the slope and struck a service truck on the access road below, knocking out the left rear window.
7. **Surface Falling Objects:** An operator tasked to clear a plugged chute noticed an inspection door laying on the bottom floor of the building.

Comments:

As per the Code section 8.6.2 before blasting, the blaster, or person designated responsible for blasting, shall:

- (1) clear the blast danger zone of all persons,
- (2) ensure that all entrances to the blast danger zone are guarded to prevent access, and not rely only on signs for the purpose, and
- (3) when blasting on the surface of a mine, ensure that an effective audible warning is given.