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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 July 31st to August 6th 2023

1. **Surface Operations:** A haul truck rolled backwards 3 feet and stopped while a worker was placing a jack stand underneath it.
2. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** The operator of an articulated haul truck was being loaded when they noticed smoke from under the hood. The operator used a fire extinguisher on the fire.
3. **Surface, Other:** A helicopter blade struck a tree, sustaining damage.
4. **Surface Operations, Blasting:** A worker on break in the lunchroom was left inside the blast radius.
5. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** An autonomous truck had a grid box fire. Mine rescue attended to extinguish the fire.
6. **Surface Operations, Blasting:** Drill holes were incorrectly located on previously drilled, loaded and blasted holes.
7. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A haul truck was travelling down the ramp and came to a controlled stop. Upon inspection, smoke was noted coming from the grid box.
8. **Underground Ventilation, Smoke:** Smoke was observed coming from a surface exhaust fan.
9. **Surface Operations, Falling Workers:** A worker was lowering a screen when a bent piece of metal caught their glove, causing them to fall over the hand rail to the ground below. Minor injuries were reported.
10. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** An articulating haul truck lost control and rolled onto its side in a ditch.
11. **Surface Operations, Blasting:** A worker drove past a blast guard and into the blast zone.
12. **Underground Mobile Equipment Fire:** A haul truck operator smelled smoke in the cab and deployed their fire suppression system.
13. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** A dozer contacted a buried stump with the track, causing the machine to tip onto its side.

Comments: Ensure that onboard safety systems, such as fire suppression systems, are tested regularly and functional.