

Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Incidents Reported for the Week of November 27th December 3rd, 2023.

- 1. Surface Blasting: Workers found a booster at the dig face.
- **2. Surface Fire:** A worker walking past an elevator noticed a glow coming from the elevator shaft. Further inspection led to the detection of a fire below in the basement of the elevator shaft, caused by nearby welding. A fire extinguisher and water were used.
- **3. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A worker exited a pickup truck at the maintenance shop. The vehicle rolled forward approximately 50 feet, contacting a concrete barrier, and damaging the front end of the truck.
- **4. Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** A loaded articulated haul truck approached a dump area, where the rear wheels contacted soft soil, and the haul truck rolled onto its side. The operator climbed out on their own.
- **5. Surface Geotechnical Slope Failure:** Two wedges released near each other. The GeoRadar system detected movement; workers and equipment were moved prior to failure.
- **6. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** While moving a dozer, the machine slid approximately 20 feet, and contacted mobile lift equipment, causing damage.
- **7. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A transport truck hauling sand to the site left the road, ending up in a 4ft snow drift, causing damage to the truck and a spill.
- **8. Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment:** An autonomous haul truck left its course, partially entering the oncoming lane.
- **9. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A loaded ejector truck hauling crushed materials contacted a patch of ice, and the cargo box tipped, spilling the load.
- **10. Surface Fire:** A leaking propane hose ignited, causing a fire. The area supervisor shut the propane tank valve off. An oxy/acetylene cart was nearby. Mine Rescue attended.

Comments: Ensure tanks for flammable gasses are shut off and depressurized prior to leaving the area. Inspect equipment prior to starting work for leaks and signs of wear.