



Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Reportable Incidents

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Incidents Reported December 2nd to 8th, 2024

- 1. Surface Mobile Equipment:** An excavator was crossing a bridge over a dry spillway. During the crossing, the wooden abutments collapsed on both sides. The excavator and broken bridge deck fell 2 metres.
- 2. Surface Mobile Equipment:** While crossing a bridge with an excavator, the operator noticed the bridge beginning to fail and backed off before failure.
- 3. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** While spreading road crush, the loader began to slide sideways down the road. Braking attempts were ineffective; the operator tried dragging the bucket teeth into the ground, but this was also ineffective. The loader operator turned the wheels and contacted the rear left side of a concrete agitator, avoiding the cab. Both operators exited their cabs safely.
- 4. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A service truck slid into a guard rail, guiding the out-of-control vehicle approximately 120 metres down the road before it stopped.
- 5. Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** An empty haul truck drove through a dip in the road, causing it to lose traction. The truck regained traction and overcorrected, spinning 90 degrees before stopping in its lane.
- 6. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** An excavator operator noticed smoke and flame coming from their engine compartment. The operator deployed two fire extinguishers while a nearby operator called for mine rescue, who were deployed and cooled the area with a water truck.
- 7. Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment:** An empty autonomous haul truck, travelling 55km/hr, detected debris along the side of the road, causing the machine to brake. The truck slid into the oncoming lane.

8. **Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A haul truck lost traction and entered the oncoming lane.
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10. **Surface Operations Fire:** A piece of cardboard caught fire in an assay lab. A worker extinguished the fire with water.

Comments: Industrial work, including long hours and adverse conditions, impacts workers in different ways. Health and safety work should address risks to workers' mental and physical health. Review the [CCOHS Page on Mental Health, and Mental Health Promotion](#) for more information.