



Weekly Summary of Reported Incidents

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Incidents Reported December 16th to 22nd, 2024

- 1. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A water truck rolled into an emulsion truck.
- 2. Surface Blasting:** A blast was shot around 3 p.m. The next morning it was discovered that a mechanic was working on the top bench at the back of the pit, unaware of the blasting operations, when the blast occurred.
- 3. Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** Two haul trucks entered an intersection. The trucks failed to stop in time and a collision occurred.
- 4. Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment:** A loaded autonomous haul truck lost traction while climbing a hill. The anti-lock brakes and traction control systems engaged, locking the brakes and the truck slid backwards.
- 5. Surface Mobile Equipment:** A drill hole was near completion when a loud bang emitted from the drill head, which dropped down and came to rest when the drill string bottomed out in the hole.
- 6. Surface Operations:** A worker arrived at a loader machine to complete maintenance. The worker boarded the machine without notifying the operator who was about to commence operations. The operator happened to spot the worker boarding the machine and stopped.
- 7. Surface Environmental:** An inspection of the site found 3 collapsed roof structures due to snow.
- 8. Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A loader operator noted steam coming from the front of their machine. Closer inspection revealed a fire. A fire extinguisher was deployed and mine rescue attended with water.
- 9. Surface Mobile Equipment:** After investigating a fault on a loaded haul truck. A rock was discovered underneath, which punctured the fuel tank, spilling approximately 2000 litres of fuel.

Comments: Clear and consistent communication is vital when working on, or near heavy equipment. Ensure workers and operators are aware of safe operating procedures.