

Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Reportable Incidents

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Incidents Reported January 6th to 12th, 2025

- 1. **Surface Dam/Dike Washout:** The containment berm around a settling pond failed and released sediment laden water to the neighboring property and water course.
- 2. Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover: A truck box tipped over while reversing to a pile.
- 3. **Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A loaded haul truck slid into a berm while turning onto a ramp.
- 4. **Surface Fire:** A worker found a hot bearing on a rotary discharge air lock, and a small flame ignited when cooling air was applied but extinguished when the air was shut off.
- 5. **Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A pit utility crew was preparing to move a dozer over a cable. The spotter hooked up the cable and signaled a light vehicle operator to back in. During the operation, the spotter was pinched between the light vehicle and the dozer blade. The worker sustained a contusion but returned to full duties following a medical assessment.
- 6. **Surface Mobile Equipment Out of Control:** A loaded haul truck gained speed, and when the service brake failed, the operator used the runaway lane to bring the truck to a stop.
- 7. **Surface Autonomous Mobile Equipment:** Personnel entered an autonomous vehicle operation zone without the required layers of protection.
- 8. **Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** A dozer cleaning up near a shovel contacted the swinging shovel.
- 9. Surface Mobile Equipment: A loaded haul truck tire blew after leaving the shovel.
- 10. **Underground Ventilation Stoppage:** A mine experienced an unplanned stoppage of the main underground ventilation fans and restored power after fifteen minutes.
- 11. **Underground Ventilation Stoppage:** A mine experienced an unplanned stoppage of the underground ventilation fans and restored power after 25 minutes.
- 12. **Surface Fire:** A box caught fire on a stove at a warehouse. Mine emergency responded and verified the fire was extinguished by the sprinkler system.
- 13. Surface Geotechnical Slope Failure: A bench sloughed, approximately 30m wide.

- 14. Surface Mobile Equipment: A haul truck released tire pressure from one of its tires.
- 15. **Surface Operations:** A worker was disassembling a gearbox when it rolled onto their leg. The worker was transported to medical aid for a suspected leg fracture.
- 16. **Underground Ventilation Stoppage:** A mine experienced an unplanned stoppage of the underground ventilation fans and restored power after approximately 25 minutes.
- 17. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A loaded haul truck's grid box caught fire and was extinguished with a handheld fire extinguisher.

Comments: Reversing equipment can pose significant risks to personnel working nearby. These risks can be managed by following safe reversing and spotting practices. For more information on backing up safely visit Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS).