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Weekly Summary of Reportable Incidents

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Reportable Incidents

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Incidents Reported September 7th to 13th, 2026

1. **Surface Mobile Equipment:** A loaded haul truck entered a light-vehicle access road and crossed into the path of a light vehicle while travelling toward a dump location.
2. **Surface Mobile Equipment Collision:** During loading activities, a haul truck contacted a shovel cooler, resulting in equipment damage.
3. **Surface Blasting Uncontrolled Blast:** A blast guard was positioned approximately 50 metres inside the established blast radius.
4. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** While removing drill steel from a drill, a hydraulic line was damaged, resulting in a hydraulic oil leak onto the turbocharger and causing a fire. The fire was extinguished using portable fire extinguishers.
5. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** Material on the outside edge of a 3-metre-high bench gave way, causing an excavator to tip onto its side. The operator exited through the rear window and was assessed at first aid for thumb pain.
6. **Surface Blasting:** Due to mislabelling, an excavator entered and mined through an identified misfire area.
7. **Surface Working at Height Falling Objects:** While lowering a drill mast, the mast fell onto other structural components of the drill, causing equipment damage.
8. **Surface Mobile Equipment:** A loaded haul truck overheated. The operator parked the truck, activated the hazard lights and deployed wheel chocks while waiting for assistance. The operator was on the truck deck when a mechanic began operating the truck running over the deployed wheel chocks.
9. **Surface Electrical Shock:** A worker received an electrical shock to the left arm while lifting a submersible sump pump which contacted a portable power distribution unit.
10. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** An excavator tipped over the edge of a bench when the ground beneath the tracks failed, causing the machine to fall approximately 8 metres. The operator self-extricated through the window, was assessed at first aid, and transported to hospital for hand and cheek abrasion, and returned to work without restriction.
11. **Surface Mobile Equipment Autonomous:** A mechanic was performing repairs on a haul truck within an active autonomous haulage zone without the required layers of protection.
12. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** While preparing to dump, a loaded haul truck's front wheels lifted off the ground and the cab tipped onto its side while the tray remained upright. The operator self-extricated and mine rescue responded.

13. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** A dozer went over a dig face while pushing down an overhang and landed on its tracks. The operator was ejected from the cab and transported to hospital with knee and back pain and lacerations.
14. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** An excavator operating on soft ground tipped onto its side while positioning along a slope.
15. **Surface Geotechnical Fall of Ground:** A mine reported materials released from a slope and travelled approximately between 2 and 10 metres before coming to rest on the pad behind the drill.
16. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A loader caught fire while feeding a hopper. The operator moved the loader out of the work area, shut down the engine, and exited the cab.
17. **Surface Blasting:** A blast crew identified an energized 4,160-volt power cable supplying a drill within the boundaries of a loaded blast pattern.
18. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** An autonomous haul truck's grid box caught fire. Mine rescue responded and extinguished the fire.
19. **Surface Mobile Equipment Rollover:** A light duty vehicle on a forest service road rolled onto its passenger side and entered a forested area. The operator self-extricated and was transported to hospital.
20. **Surface Operations:** An aerosol can exploded in an incinerator, causing temporary hearing loss for a worker loading the incinerator. The worker was assessed at first aid and later reported normal hearing had returned.
21. **Surface Mobile Equipment Fire:** A stemming loader caught fire in a heavy-duty shop. The fire was extinguished using portable fire extinguishers.
22. **Surface Mobile Equipment Unexpected Movement:** A loaded haul truck stalled while travelling uphill. The truck initially tipped backward, and the front wheels lifted off the ground. After the operator shut down the truck, the front wheels returned to the ground while the truck box remained raised. The operator was assessed at first aid for post-incident anxiety.
23. **Surface Working at Height Falling Worker:** A worker fell approximately 1.5 metres while dismounting a dozer loaded onto a low-bed trailer. The worker was assessed at first aid and transported to hospital with back pain.

Comments: Incidents involving surface mobile equipment continue to remain elevated. Ensure mobile equipment is properly maintained and that operators are adequately trained and competent in its safe use. Additionally, re-assess traffic management plans to verify they are effective and appropriate for current operating conditions.