

Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On August 5, 2023, a piece of granite fell, striking two miners, killing one and seriously injuring the other.



Best Practices

- Examine work areas to identify loose ground or unstable conditions before work begins and as conditions change. Report hazards and do not work in unsafe conditions.
- Correct unsafe conditions or barricade areas to prevent access before beginning work.
- Consider mining methods that do not require miners to work or travel near the base of a highwall.

This is the 26th fatality reported in 2023, and the second classified as “Falling, Rolling, or Sliding Rock or Material of Any Kind.”

The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary information only and does not represent final determinations regarding the nature of the accident or conclusions regarding the cause of the fatality.

Report accidents and hazardous conditions: 1-800-746-1553

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