

Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On April 25, 2022, co-workers found a maintenance worker lying face down in a pool of water. The maintenance worker was using a water hose to wash out fine material that had gathered under a tail pulley.



Best Practices

- Maintain workplaces in a clean and dry condition when possible.
- Where wet processes are used, maintain drainage platforms, mats, or other dry standing places.
- Ensure that miners have communication systems available when assigned to work alone.
- Routinely check in on miners working alone.
- Conduct workplace examinations before work begins in an area.

This is the 30th fatality reported in 2022, and the third classified as “Drowning.”

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