

# MNMM Fatal 2008-16

- Powered Haulage Accident
- October 1, 2008 (Texas)
- Sand & Gravel Operation
- Front-End Loader Operator
- 38 years old
- 3 years experience

# Overview

The victim was fatally injured when the pickup truck he was driving left a mine road on a curve and traveled into a dredge pond. The accident occurred at the end of the victim's 12-hour shift. He was checking the plant discharge line and plant makeup water pump before signing out for the shift.



Vehicle Entered Water Here

# Root Cause

The victim did not maintain control of the pickup truck he was operating.

# Best Practices

- Maintain control of self-propelled mobile equipment while it is in motion.
- Ensure that adequate berms of mid-axle height of the largest mobile equipment are provided for roadways where a drop off exists.
- Construct berms with a steep inside slope and with materials that can be well compacted.
- Reduce speed where visibility is limited.