

TALKING POINTS:

Safety for Miners Working Near Shuttle Cars and Scoops

"Watch Out!!"

FACT: Nearly 800 miners have been injured in shuttle car and scoop accidents in just the last ten years.

FACT: Sixteen miners have been killed in crushing accidents involving shuttle cars and scoops in the last ten years.

FACT: Many miners get seriously hurt, maimed or killed in and near shuttle cars and scoops.

FACT: Dozens of shuttle car and scoop operators are severely injured due to failure to keep arms and legs inside the vehicle. Amputations occur much too often.

FACT: Shuttle car and scoop drivers cannot always see miners walking nearby.

FACT: These accidents can be prevented!

Solution #1: Always know the location of the shuttle cars and scoops operating near you. Pay attention to your surroundings.

Solution #2: Shuttle car and scoop drivers should always try to see the entire travelway on which they are driving.

Solution #3: Shuttle car and scoop drivers should always sound the audible horn before passing through a check curtain.

Solution #4: Shuttle car and scoop drivers should always keep their hands, arms and legs inside the vehicle at all times.

Solution #5: Miners should always wear reflective clothing so they can be clearly seen by the shuttle car and scoop drivers.

Solution #6: Miners should always stay clear of moving shuttle cars and scoops. Always walk behind moving vehicles. Never walk in front of a shuttle car or scoop.

