METAL/NONMETAL Serious Accident

Surface – Limestone – On February 8, 2018, a plant operator was shoveling material from around a crusher when a rock fell from the Surge Bin deck above, striking the victim on the head. The rock split the victim's hardhat and the miner suffered a serious head injury.



Best Practices

- Install adequate guarding in areas where miners work to protect them from the hazards of falling or flying material.
- Keep walkways clear. Remove all loose materials and other hazards before working.
- Eliminate or minimize material spillage_from belts, bins and hoppers.
- Be mindful of falling material hazards and the risks from rock that can fly out from the screening plant.
- Wear required personal protective equipment.
- Restrict access to areas prone to falling or flying material
- Establish and discuss safe work procedures.
- Task train miners to recognize and eliminate all potential hazardous conditions and understand safe job procedures to eliminate all hazards before beginning work.
- Do not place yourself in a position that will expose you to hazards while performing a task.



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