

# Preliminary Report of Accident

U.S. Department of Labor  
Mine Safety and Health Administration



PR001 03/10/2021

<b>1. Accident Type</b> F - Fatal Injury		<b>2. Accident Classification</b> 17 - Machinery		<b>3. Date/Time of Accident</b> 03/05/2021 10:30 AM		<b>4. Date/Time of Death</b> 03/05/2021 3:00 PM		<b>5. Fatal Case No</b> FAI-6840627-1	
<b>6. Mine Information</b>									
<b>a) Mining Company Name:</b>		Dave Clinard Truck Service Inc							
<b>b) Mine Name:</b>		Otter Creek Sand & Gravel Inc							
<b>c) Parent of Mining Company:</b>		Dave Clinard							
<b>7. Mine Location Information</b>						<b>8. Mine ID Number</b>		<b>9. Union</b>	
<b>a) City</b> MT. STERLING		<b>b) County</b> Fulton		<b>c) State</b> IL		11-01131		No	
<b>10. Primary Mineral Mined</b> Construction Sand & Gravel Mining, N.E.C.				<b>11. Number of Employees</b>					
				<b>a) Total</b> 5	<b>b) Underground</b>	<b>c) Open Pit/Quarry</b> 2	<b>d) Mill/Prep Plant</b> 1	<b>e) Other</b> 2	
<b>12. Contractor Name</b>						<b>13. Contractor Union</b>		<b>14. Contractor ID Number</b>	
<b>15. Contractor Address</b>									
<b>a) City</b>		<b>b) County</b>			<b>c) State</b>			<b>d) Zip Code</b>	
<b>16. Number of Contractor Employees</b>									
<b>a) Total</b>		<b>b) Underground</b>		<b>c) Open Pit/Quarry</b>		<b>d) Mill/Prep Plant</b>		<b>e) Other</b>	
<b>17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident</b>				<b>18. Number of Persons Unaccounted for</b>					
<b>a) Mine Employees</b> 3		<b>b) Contractor Employees</b>		<b>a) Mine Employees</b>		<b>b) Contractor Employees</b>			
<b>19. Accident Location</b> 06 - Dredge Mining								<b>20. Mining Height</b>	
								Feet	Inches
<b>21. Nonfatal Injuries</b>		<b>22. Fatal Injuries</b> 1							
<b>23. Victims Information</b>									
<b>Roger D Branscum</b>									
<b>a) First Name</b> Roger	<b>a) MI</b> D	<b>a) Last Name</b> Branscum		<b>b) Age</b> 63	<b>c) Regular Job Title</b> Mine Manager		<b>d) Activity at Time of Accident</b> Operating Excavator		<b>Employee</b> Mine Employee
<b>24. Mining Experience</b>									
<b>a) Total Experience</b> 43 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days		<b>b) Experience at the Mine</b> 43 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days		<b>c) Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident</b> 0 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days			<b>d) Experience with Contractor</b> 0 Years 0 Weeks 0 Days		
<b>25. Autopsy Performed</b> Yes		<b>If Yes, Location</b> Fulton County							
<b>26. Mine Telephone No.</b> (309) 759-4293									
<b>27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations)</b> The victim was operating a John Deere 225C LC RTS excavator along an elevated roadway running adjacent to the dredge pond. The ground under the track on one side of the excavator sloughed off and the excavator overturned falling approx. 13 foot to the edge of the pond where the sand slid into the pond taking the excavator into the pond. The miner was found inside the cab by divers after their arrival on site.  <i>The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary data ONLY and does not represent final determination regarding the nature of the incident or conclusions regarding the cause of the accident.</i>									
<b>28. Equipment Manufacturer</b> John Deere					<b>29. Model</b> 225C LC RTS				
<b>30. District</b> M4000 - Duluth District					<b>32. Field Office</b> M4821 - Peru IL Field Office			<b>33. Event Number</b> 6840627	
<b>34. Accident Investigator</b>									
<b>First Name</b> James		<b>MI</b> A	<b>Last Name</b> Hines						
<b>35. MSHA Person Notified</b>									
<b>First Name</b> Gerald		<b>MI</b> D	<b>Last Name</b> Holeman			<b>Date/Time Notified</b> 03/05/2021 12:10 PM			
<b>36. Type of Report</b> Initial		<b>37. Name of Preparer</b> Full Name James A Hines			<b>Date Prepared</b> 03/05/2021				
<b>38. Reason for Amendment</b>									