

Preliminary Report of Accident

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



PR001 07/06/2023

1. Accident Type F - Fatal Injury		2. Accident Classification 17 - Machinery		3. Date/Time of Accident 01/23/2023 12:48 PM		4. Date/Time of Death 01/23/2023 3:52 PM		5. Fatal Case No FAI-6874690-1			
6. Mine Information											
a) Mining Company Name:		Nevada Gold Mines LLC									
b) Mine Name:		Meikle Mine									
c) Parent of Mining Company:		Barrick Nevada Holding LLC et al									
7. Mine Location Information			8. Mine ID Number			9. Union					
a) City ELKO		b) County Eureka		c) State NV		26-02246					
10. Primary Mineral Mined Gold Ore Mining, N.E.C.				11. Number of Employees		c) Open Pit/Quarry		d) Mill/Prep Plant		e) Other	
				a) Total 554		b) Underground 504		0		0	
12. Contractor Name					13. Contractor Union			14. Contractor ID Number			
15. Contractor Address											
a) City			b) County			c) State			d) Zip Code		
16. Number of Contractor Employees											
a) Total		b) Underground			c) Open Pit/Quarry			d) Mill/Prep Plant		e) Other	
17. Number of Persons in Mine at Time of Accident					18. Number of Persons Unaccounted for						
a) Mine Employees 225		b) Contractor Employees			a) Mine Employees 0		b) Contractor Employees				
19. Accident Location 01 - Underground								20. Mining Height 18 Feet 0 Inches			
21. Nonfatal Injuries 1		22. Fatal Injuries 1									
23. Victims Information											
Alejandro Castaneda											
a) First Name Alejandro		a) MI	a) Last Name Castaneda		b) Age 49	c) Regular Job Title Utility Management		d) Activity at Time of Accident Removing a water filled steel waterline		Employee Mine Employee	
24. Mining Experience											
a) Total Experience 19 Years 47 Weeks 5 Days		b) Experience at the Mine 19 Years 47 Weeks 5 Days			c) Experience at the Activity at the Time of the Accident 7 Years 32 Weeks 1 Days			d) Experience with Contractor 7 Years 32 Weeks 1 Days			
25. Autopsy Performed Yes		If Yes, Location Washoe County Medical Examiner									
26. Mine Telephone No. (775) 778-8787											
27. Description of Accident (include equipment involved, the exact location in the mine, and status and recovery operations) Two miners were removing steel waterlines with hand tools when one of the waterlines suddenly broke apart, striking and killing one miner. The other miner was seriously injured. <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>											
28. Equipment Manufacturer					29. Model						
30. District M7000 - Vacaville District					32. Field Office M7851 - Elko NV Field Office			33. Event Number 6874690			
34. Accident Investigator			MI			Last Name					
First Name Chad						Hilde					
35. MSHA Person Notified			MI			Date/Time Notified					
First Name Miles						01/23/2023 2:32 PM					
36. Type of Report Initial		37. Name of Preparer			Date Prepared						
		Full Name William L Whitby			01/24/2023						
38. Reason for Amendment											