

Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On August 7, 2025, a contractor died after the front-end loader he was operating traveled over the edge of a highwall, falling approximately 70 feet.



Best Practices

- Maintain control of self-propelled mobile equipment while it is in motion.
- Never attempt to enter or exit an out-of-control vehicle.
- Ensure miners are adequately task trained in the safe operation of assigned equipment.
- Perform regular pre-operational examinations of mobile equipment.
- Monitor work activities to ensure both miners and contractors follow safe work procedures.

This is the 18th fatality reported in 2025, and the seventh classified as “Powered Haulage.”

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