

Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On January 10, 2025, a mobile bridge carrier pinned the operator against the coal rib, causing fatal injuries.



Best Practices

- Stay out of pinch points and “Red Zone” areas.
- Install and maintain person-in-position switches on mobile bridge carriers to require the miner to stay in the operator’s compartment while in motion.
- Stay in the operator’s compartment when operating equipment.
- Activate the emergency de-energization device or “panic bar” before exiting the operator’s compartment in the event of a hazardous situation.
- Communicate your presence and intended movements when working around mobile equipment and wait for acknowledgment before moving.

This is the second fatality reported in 2025, and the first classified as “Powered Haulage.”

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