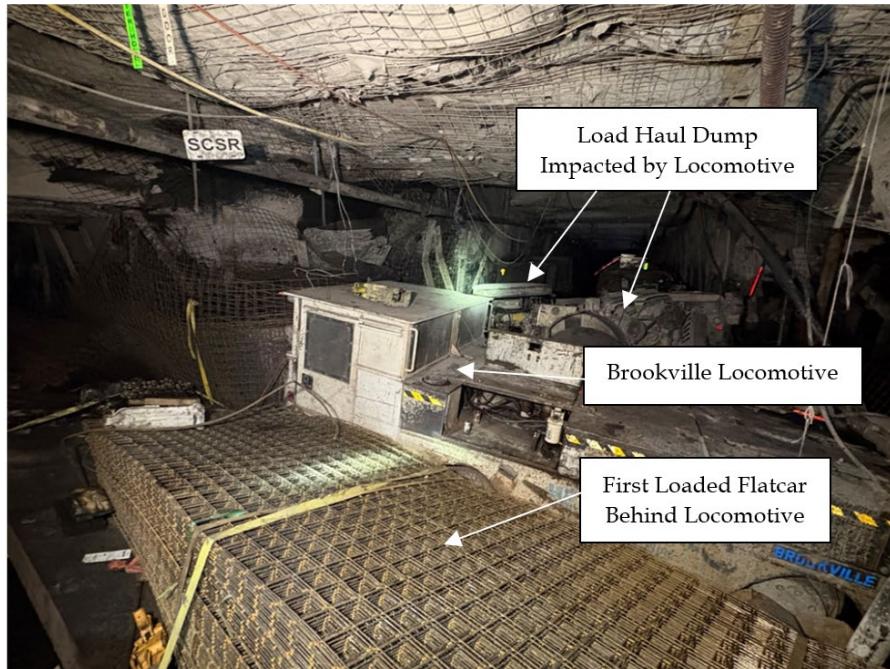




Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On November 6, 2025, a miner died when the scoop he was operating was struck by the lead locomotive of a supply trip.



Best Practices

- Operate mobile equipment at safe speeds appropriate for the grade, load, and track conditions. Select the proper gear before descending grades to maintain positive control.
- Conduct thorough pre-operational examinations of all mobile equipment. Test brake systems, sanders, and communication devices before use and ensure they work properly.
- Establish and follow communication protocols that require verification for all mobile equipment operators.
- Make sure miners communicate their location and intended movements with the dispatcher.

This is the 27th fatality reported in 2025, and the 12th classified as “Powered Haulage.”

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