Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On October 22, 2026, a contract millwright died when the fan shroud sections he was attempting to separate suddenly fell, striking and pinning him to the ground.



Best Practices

- Block equipment from hazardous, unwanted movement prior to beginning work.
- Place materials on level surfaces to ensure the material does not shift or fall over.
- Identify and correct potential hazards in the work area prior to beginning tasks.
- Review safe procedures with all miners involved prior to conducting a non-routine task.
- Ensure miners are positioned in a safe location away from potential hazards of moving or shifting equipment.

This is the 29th fatality reported in 2026, and the third classified as "Handling Material."

The information provided in this notice is based on preliminary information only and does not represent final determinations regarding the nature of the accident or conclusions regarding the cause of the fatality.

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