



Fatality Alert

MINE FATALITY – On September 12, 2023, a haul truck operator died after his haul truck backed through the berm at a dump point and became submerged in a pond.



Best Practices

- Construct substantial berms or similar impeding devices at dumping locations where there is a hazard of overtravel or overturning.
- Do not travel into or onto berms.
- Dump material from a safe location and push the material over the edge with a bulldozer.
- Conduct workplace and ground condition examinations before work begins.
- Mark dump locations with reflectors, signage, or other indicators.

This is the 32nd fatality reported in 2023, and the eighth classified as "Powered Haulage."

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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