

MNMM Fatal 2007-22

- Fall of Person Accident
- August 29, 2007 (Ohio)
- Sand & Gravel Operation
- Plant Operator
- 41 years old
- 1 year 5 months experience

Overview

The victim was fatally injured when he fell into an empty slurry tank. He was making repairs at the plant and was sitting or standing on a rotted board being used as a work platform when it broke.



Hole in Pipe

Slurry Tank

Causal Factor

Management policies, procedures, and controls were inadequate and failed to ensure that persons could safely perform maintenance tasks at the plant while working at elevated work positions.

Best Practices

- Identify all possible hazards and ensure steps are taken to safely perform the task. (SLAM) Stop, Look, Analyze, and Manage.
- Ensure that substantial working platforms or scaffolds capable of supporting the applied load are used to access elevated work areas.
- Always use restraint devices and tie off to an appropriate length lanyard or retractable lanyard where there is a danger of falling.