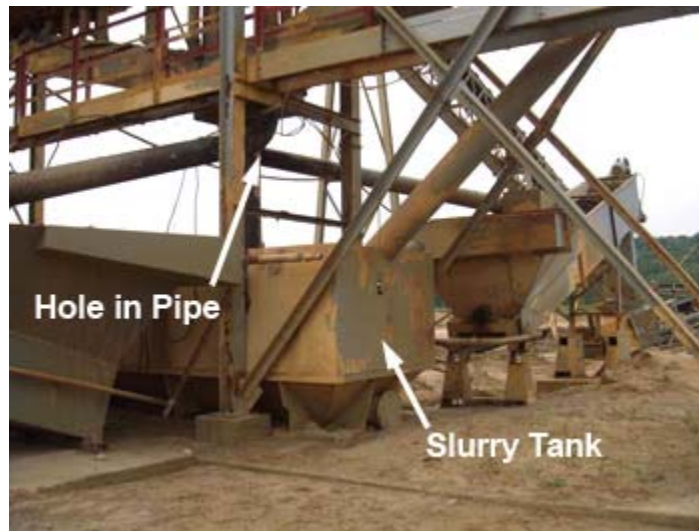




**Fatality #22 - August 29, 2007**  
**Fall of Person - Ohio - Construction Sand & Gravel**  
**Evans Gravel Inc. - Evans Gravel Inc.**

**METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY** - On August 29, 2007, a 41 year-old wash plant operator with 1½ years experience was fatally injured at a sand and gravel operation. The victim was preparing to patch a hole in a discharge pipe located under the classifier. He was positioned on a plank placed across the top of an open tank located under the pipe. The plank broke and he fell approximately 7 feet to the bottom of the empty tank.



**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.

This is the 22<sup>nd</sup> fatality reported in calendar year 2007 in the metal and nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2006, there were 20 fatalities reported in these industries. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fall of Person fatality in 2007. There were 3 Fall of Person fatalities in the same period in 2006.

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