

## Stakeholders Best Practices Tailgate Safety Meeting Series

SAFETY AND HEALTH ARE VALUES!

## "Open Pit Traffic Control"

Service, utility, maintenance, contractors, fuel, powder, supervisor and other over the road trucks enter mine property every day.

Large mining equipment has blind areas where smaller vehicles cannot be seen.

This combination can be deadly!

## **Best Practices:**

- Designate specific roadways or provide alternate routes for light duty vehicles in high activity or congested areas.
- Adhere to all traffic rules, signals, speed limits and warnings.
- Require all vehicles that enter the mining area to be equipped with buggy whips and/or strobe lights.



- Keep headlights on during daylight hours to enhance visibility.
- Design traffic patterns to reduce exposure to blindside hazards.
- Mining equipment always has the right of way (except emergency vehicles).
- When stopping or attempting to board a piece of mining equipment:
  - ✓ **ALWAYS** communicate your intentions by radio prior to approaching and wait for positive response
  - ✓ **ALWAYS** ensure equipment is stopped in a safe area
  - ✓ **ALWAYS** approach on the operator's side
  - ✓ **ALWAYS** make eye contact or use hand signals before boarding equipment and again, wait for positive response.

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