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Thank you for the opportunity to provide a comment that may lead to safer mining practices. I find in 30 CFR section 380 that each escapeway shall be "Clearly marked to show the route and direction of travel to the surface" As a contractor performing Automation and Communication services to the mining industry I have noticed discrepancies in the way different mines mark their primary and secondary escape ways. While one mine may use red reflectors to mark the primary escapeway, another mine might use green. There are many contractors that provide services to the mining industry that travel to many different mines. Wouldn't it make sense to standardize on something so simple?

Best regards,

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