

TAKE CONTROL

*Prevent Serious Injuries
and Fatalities*

At work, you're likely to be around highwalls all the time. Whether loading or dumping material, benching, or preparing to blast, highwalls present potential hazards. They can fail, rock can fall and injure you, or mobile equipment can go over the edge. Time and again we're reminded of the dangers of highwalls when a miner is seriously injured or killed when their equipment goes over the edge. Always stay vigilant when working around highwalls.



WHEN WORKING AROUND HIGHWALLS

ARE YOU ABOUT TO...

- Work at or around the **base of a highwall**?
- Work at or around the **edge of a highwall**?
- **Dump material near the top** of a highwall?
- Work on a **bench**?
- **Scale** a highwall?
- **Drill or blast** around a highwall?

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IMPLEMENT THESE CRITICAL CONTROLS:

- Be aware of **work that is occurring around you**, like drilling, blasting, heavy equipment operation above you, or excavation.
- **Check regularly for signs of instability, like loose, unconsolidated materials at the base of a highwall.** Stay aware of changes and notify your supervisor.
- **Barricade and block unsafe areas;** also post **warning signs** around these areas.
- Approach dump areas from a **clear line of sight** and follow established setbacks.
- **Do not stand or park at the base of a highwall** where a rock fall could occur. Do not stand or work between a highwall and parked equipment.