

Actionable Event: Clearing of Charged Blast Area



Actionable ID # 2024-18 Event ID # 20016455



Preliminary Incident Details	
Operation	Morenci
Date / Time	June 13, 2024 / 2 p.m.
Event Type	Near Miss
Summary	A drill operator was not cleared during the sweeping process for a planned blast in the Coronado pit. The drill was outside the required 400-foot blasting radius for equipment, but the operator was not clear from the required 1500-foot blasting radius for personnel. The operator reported hearing a radio announcement for the blast and assumed it was the 45-minute reminder because no one came by to pick them up. The operator continued to drill when the blast was initiated. At the end of the day shift, the operator reported they were not cleared for the blast.
Risk Category	Actionable – Significant (3) Likely (3)
Findings / Missing Controls	Failure to properly clear blast zone – employee was never picked up.
Applicable Policies / Procedures	FCX - HS15 Surface Blasting Policy - 2021
Employee Condition	No injuries.
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