

# ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT CABINET

**Matthew G. Bevin**  
Governor

**Department for Natural Resources**  
Division of Mine Safety  
300 Sower Boulevard  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601  
Phone (502) 573-0140  
Fax (502) 573-0152

**Charles G. Snaveley**  
Secretary

**John Small**  
Commissioner

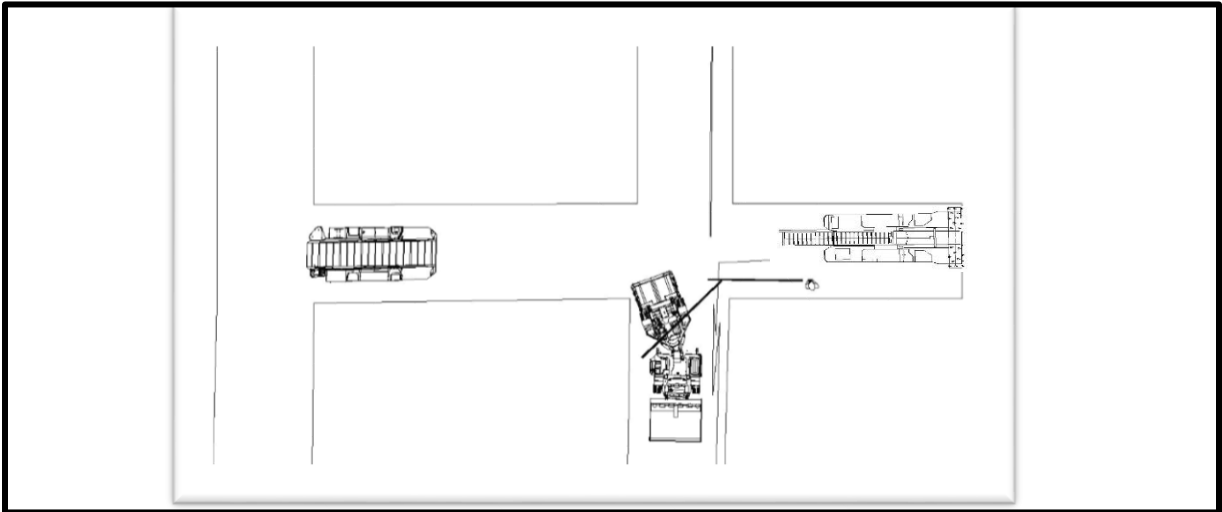
## **EMERGENCY AWARENESS BULLETIN** **(EAB – No. 4 – 2019)**

### **Kentucky DMS – Fatal Accident No.4**

On September 5, 2019 a 39 year-old miner with 15 years of experience was fatally injured at an underground mine in the Madisonville Branch.

The accident occurred when a scoop struck the victim while tramming through a ventilation curtain.

### **Accident Scene**



### **RECOMMENDATIONS TO PREVENT A SIMILAR OCCURRENCE**

1. Never position yourself in an area or location where equipment operators cannot readily see you.
2. Always wear reflective clothing to ensure high visibility when walking or working where moving equipment operates.
3. Train miners to use effective means of communication between themselves and equipment operators.
4. Always wear highly visible permissible personal flashing lights while located outside of the confines of an operator's compartment.
5. Always sound audible warning devices before passing through curtains with mobile equipment.