Toolbox Talks

Weekly Tailgate Topic **11-27**

Discuss with crews on [INSERT DATE]

HANDWORK WITH A TRANSFER TRAILER

Over the past few years, a few incidents have occurred where a transfer trailer box has slid out of the dump-truck box when it is being raised. This occurs when the "Dawgs" or hooks that hold the transfer trailer in place unhook themselves from the dump-truck's box, allowing the transfer trailer to slide out the back end.

This could pose a serious safety concern if a worker was behind the transfer trailer when it was to slide out of the dump-truck's box. Therefore, to prevent a serious injury from occurring, the following safe work procedure is to be adhered to if handwork must be completed with a transfer trailer.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD A WORKER STAND BEHIND A DUMP-TRUCK (WITH TRANSFER BOX) WHILE THE BOX IS BEING RAISED OR LOWERED, OR WHILE IT IS IN THE RAISED POSITION.

1. Ensure the transfer box is securely attached to the dump-truck. (Dawgs hooked in position, chains)
2. Ensure that no workers enter the "danger zone" behind the dump-truck while the box is being raised or lowered, or while it is in the raised position.
3. The dump-truck must dump the material on the ground, with the spreader chains attached, and then lower its box before workers begin working with the material.

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