

SAFETY ALERT

Outline the Scene	Incident	Roller Slip on Hardfill Batter
	Incident Date	November 2nd 2024
	Business Unit	HBCC



What happened?

While compacting hardfill using a 12t twin drum roller, a HBCC Operator (C3) drove parallel to the edge/batter of the pad subsequently causing the roller to slip and tip into the bund adjacent. Prior to the incident, the operator had been following the safe work practice of approaching the batter 90° to the face. In attempting to make good some ridges formed by the drums, they switched to unsafely compacting parallel to the face. Under the vibration & weight of the roller, the ground began to shift, and the roller slowly slid downwards before coming to a stop on the bund. The operator was unaware of the E-Stop function on the roller which may have prevented the slip. Luckily the operator was wearing a seat belt and remained in place while being protected by the ROPS.

This is a firm reminder of why we wear a seatbelt when operating mobile plant! Without wearing a seatbelt, this operator may have suffered a life altering injury.

We believe all incidents are preventable, here are some questions to help us learn



- 1) Are you trained & authorised to operate the plant assigned?
- 2) Is there an approved Safe System of Work in place for the assigned task? – SWMS / TA / SOP
- 3) Are you aware of the Hazards & Risks? - 5x5
- 4) Are you aware of the E-Stop function on site plant?

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