

# Incident Learning: First Aid Injury

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT (03 September 2021)

A contractor employee had bent down to remove sand from a fire water line. When the employee stood up, he bumped his hard hat on a hydrant valve body, and with the impact, the hard hat was pushed from his head and his head made contact with the valve body, resulting in a slight laceration to the scalp.



# What are the learnings for implementation?

## ACTIVE FAILURES

- The employee did not take into consideration his surroundings.
- The JHA and TSTI did not adequately identify hazards relating to the work surroundings.

## KEY FINDINGS

- Hazards relating to the immediate surroundings were not adequately identified in the Job Hazard.
- The employee was not focused on the immediate surroundings

## LESSONS LEARNT

- Ensure hazards relating to the scope of work, tools, equipment to be used and environment [Inclusive of fixed equipment] factors are ALWAYS included in the Job Hazard Analysis [JHA]
- All personnel are to be made aware of all the relevant procedures relating to the task.
- Prior to starting work, ensure that a site walk is conducted as part of the Permit to Work and hazard identification process [TSTI].
- The TSTI must always be completed together by the work crew at the work site.
- Personnel must always be vigilant and ALWAYS consider hazards relating to work site and activities taking place.