

AUGUST 2024 MONTH IN REVIEW

Saskatchewan

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Laws

Aug 8: Saskatchewan began accepting [applications](#) for the Critical Minerals Processing Investment Incentive (CMPII) and Critical Minerals Innovation Incentive (SCMII) to fund extraction and processing of 11 critical minerals found in the province, including copper, zinc, magnesium, nickel, and rare earth elements.

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Aug 1: Saskatchewan and the federal government will provide over \$1 million to launch the Dziret'ai Pilot Training Program to provide skills and academic upgrading to students in the northern part of the province where air travel can be difficult due to the lack of pilots. Starting in January 2025, students who complete the 2-year program will be guaranteed jobs as First Officers with the airline Rise Air.

CASES

Powered Mobile Equipment: Power Mower Incident Results in \$150,000 Fine

A worker suffered serious injuries after being ejected from the seat of a mower. The employer was fined \$150,000 for 2 OHS violations: i. failure to ensure the worker was competently supervised; and ii. not detecting and repairing an unsafe condition in the equipment [*Village of Laird*, [Govt. Press Release](#), July 19, 2024].

Action Point: Find out how to implement a [Powered Mobile Equipment Compliance Game Plan](#) to prevent forklift incidents and injuries at your workplace.

Material Handling: Construction Firm Fined \$95,000 for Truss Collapse Injuries

A truss collapse at a construction site caused serious injuries to 2 workers. The employer pled guilty to 2 counts of failing to provide and maintain a safe plant, system of work, and working environment, and received a fine of \$20,000 for one violation and \$75,000 for the other [*HVR Construction Ltd.*, [Govt. Press Release](#), August 9, 2024].

Action Point: Use the resources from the OHS Insider Material Handling [Compliance Center](#) to prevent injuries and violations at your workplace.