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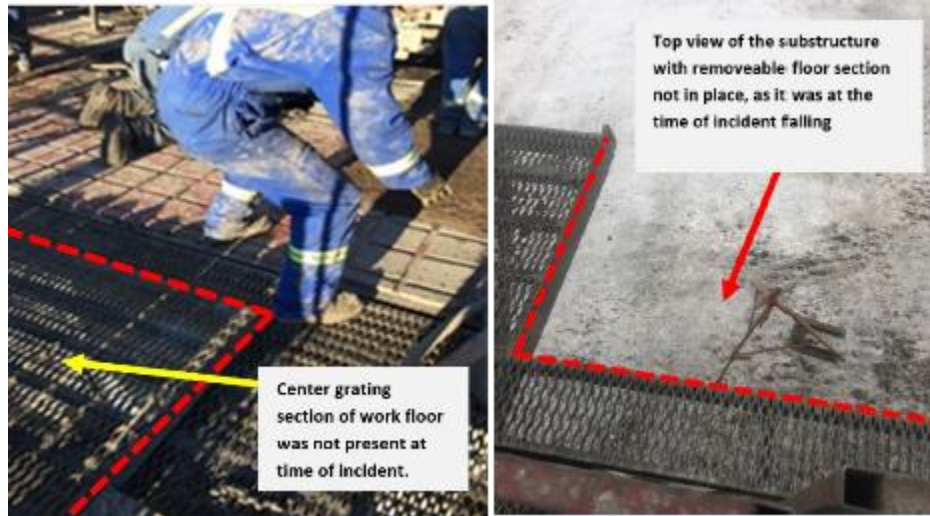
# WORKER FALL FROM HEIGHT

## DESCRIPTION:

Worker fell while rigging out, as they were preparing to move to a new location. Lease hand was working on the substructure, folding down wings, when he slipped and fell over the edge approximately 3.5 meters to ground. The worker had crouched down to lift a handrail into place, his hand slipped and he lost his footing. Worker was attended by onsite medical, and then sent to nearest hospital. Worker sustained a fractured wrist.

## CAUSE OF INJURY OR LOSS:

When lowering (or raising) wings for rig-out, fall protection was not worn. No engineered fall protection system on substructure.



## CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

- JSA and site assessments did not outline all task steps or the need for fall protection
- Fall protection plan did not identify anchor points, or the requirement for fall protection for specific equipment or fall protection training
- Pre-job did not specify consistent working at height requirements

## CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:

- Owner will be reviewing all working at height requirements
- Review of work plan, JSA for rigging in and out, revising pre-job hazard assessment and communicate to site workers
- Company will improve enforcement of Life Saving Rules and fall protection policy.