


# Lessons Learned

Date: 6/5/2023      Region: Industrial – National Facility Services  
 Project: Lamb Weston Pasco      Incident Title: Uncontrolled Danger Area

Summary	Picture
<p>An Apollo sub-contractor was cutting out 4” holes in an elevated cement deck for material to be ran through.</p> <p>The subcontractor had the area coned off and a forklift with a tote bin that was raised all the way up was parked right below where the worker was drilling the holes to catch the cut outs. Apollo workers in the area below went to break while the subcontractor continued drilling the holes on the upper deck. During break time another contractor (not a part of Apollo scope) decided to ignore the cones and enter the area and move the forklift out of the way.</p> <p>The contractors began work in the area when a 7 lb. concrete cut out fell from above (from how high?) landing within a few feet of the workers.</p>	

What Went Right?	What Went Wrong?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No one was hurt.</li> <li>The forklift was coned off and an attempt at barricading the area was made.</li> <li>Forklift was set up to minimize the drop and mitigate the risk.</li> </ul> <p>Click or tap here to enter text.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A forklift should not have been left unattended with a load in the air.</li> <li>Proper barricade tape and signage was not used.</li> <li>Lack of communication with other contractors.</li> </ul> <p>Click or tap here to enter text.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Forklifts should not be left unattended with an elevated load.</li> <li>Proper barricades with clear signage and communication are important on multi-contractor jobsites, especially when there are several in a specific area.</li> <li>If an area cannot be barricaded off due to access and egress restrictions, a dedicated spotter shall always remain in the area.</li> <li>Danger Tape needs to be used when the area must be kept clear for the safety of individuals not involved in the task creating the hazard.</li> </ul>