Operator using stone cropper broke and lacerated his finger

WHAT HAPPENED

The injured party (IP), cut and broke a finger while operating a walling cropper. The incident was caused by the IP pulling and maneuvering a stone into the split zone, unfortunately he had not noticed that there was a stone overhanging on a stone that was behind the selected stone. When the selected stone was moved the stone that was balanced behind fell onto the IPs finger cutting it and breaking it. As a result of his injuries, it is estimated that he will be off work for 2 weeks.

LEARNING POINTS / ACTIONS TAKEN

Preventative Actions:

- Ensure all selected waste stone is single layered to prevent any stones falling
- Ensure all cropper operators are authorised and trained to a competent level to ensure familiarity with the dangers of the cropper operation.

Risk-changers:

- Reviewing the use of an adjustable ‘letter box’, for the stone to pass through. This will ensure that all the stone being pulled to the crop is at a single layer.

LOCATION:	**QUARRY**	**ALERT STATUS:**	**Normal**
ACTIVITY:	**PRODUCTION AND PROCESSING**	**DATE ISSUED:**	**13/08/2019 18:07:18**
SUB ACTIVITY:	**DIMENSION STONE**	**INCIDENT No:**	**01523**