

# BLOCK YOUR BED



“On July 20, 2006, Employees #1, #2, #3 and #4 were working underneath the elevated bed of a 16 wheel dump truck. They were trying to release the jammed ram in order to get the bed to lower. There were no blocks in place to prevent the bed from lowering unexpectedly. After a few minutes, they had managed to release the ram, unaware that all of the hydraulic fluid had drained from ram. The ram and bed dropped quickly. Employees #1 and #2 died after being struck on the head. Employee #3 sustained minor shoulder injuries. Employee #4 was not injured.”

This is a summary taken from an actual OSHA fatality investigation case history. The picture above shows one solution to this hazard: engineered dump bed braces. Have you eliminated this potential killer in your operation?

For more information on **Hazards of Unintended Movement of Dump Truck Body Beds** go to:  
<http://www.osha.gov/dts/shib/shib091806.html>

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