



MINE SAFETY CONFERENCE

NCAA and the NCDOL hosted the Annual Mine Safety and Health Conference on March 21-23 at the DoubleTree by Hilton Atlantic Beach in North Carolina. We had a record turnout for the conference. Phil Hooper, Deputy Commissioner of NCDOL and William Gerringer, Mine and Quarry Bureau Chief opened the conference. Sam Pierce, MSHA Southeast District Manager, had a very informative update on Thursday morning. (Sam also spoke to the NCAA S&H Committee on Wednesday afternoon.) Thanks to the great lineup of speakers and a special thanks to the exhibitors for making the conference a success. Hopefully, everyone had some take-aways that they can use at their companies.

Exhibitors:

AirVantage Solutions	Asheville Bit & Steel Co.	Blackline Safety Work Alone Systems
Congruent Concepts	Fleet Glass Services	Hoyt Wire Cloth
K & R Group	On Site X-Ray	Richwood
Safe Steps Training	SafeRack	SCP
The EI Group	Vibra-Tech	



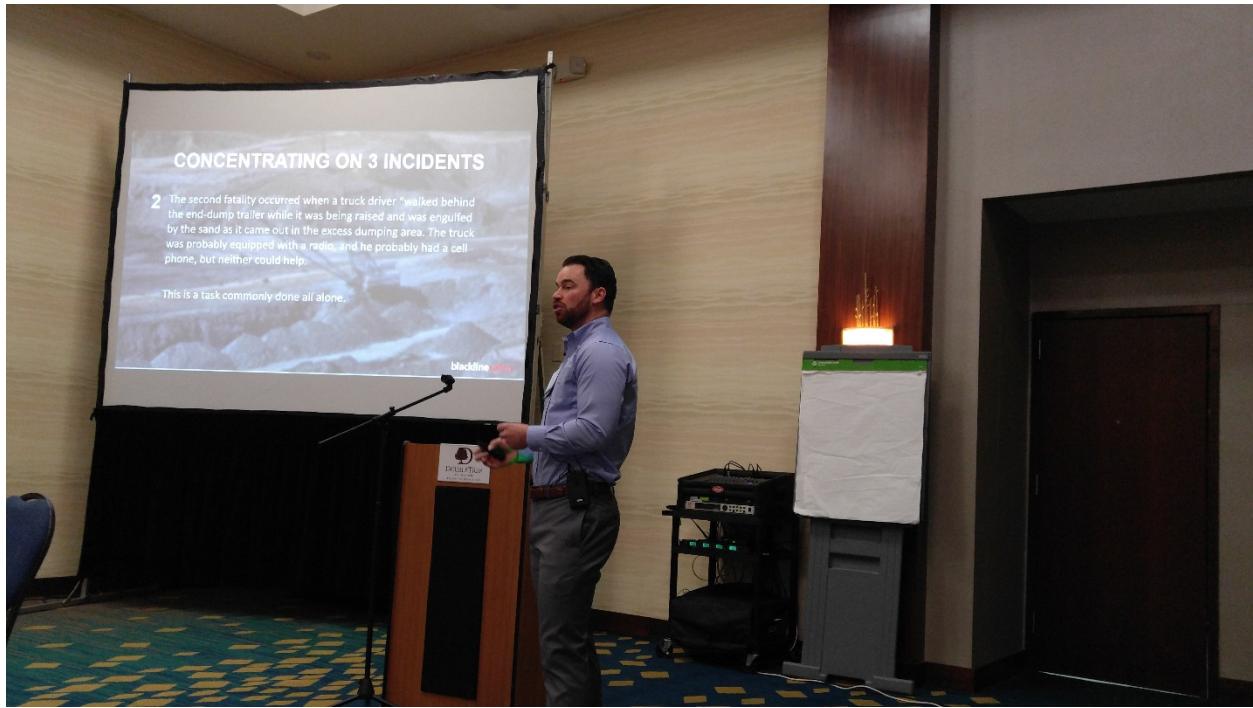
William Gerringer, Mine and Quarry Bureau Chief, opening the conference



Sam Pierce, MSHA SE District Manager



Dan Cranston, Owner / Trainer for Cranco Safety Services



Cody Pannell, Regional Sales Representative for Blackline Safety Work Alone Systems



Nick Scala, Co-Chair MSHA Practice Group for Conn Maciel Carey, LLP



Jason Godwin, Health and Safety Director for Wake Stone Corporation