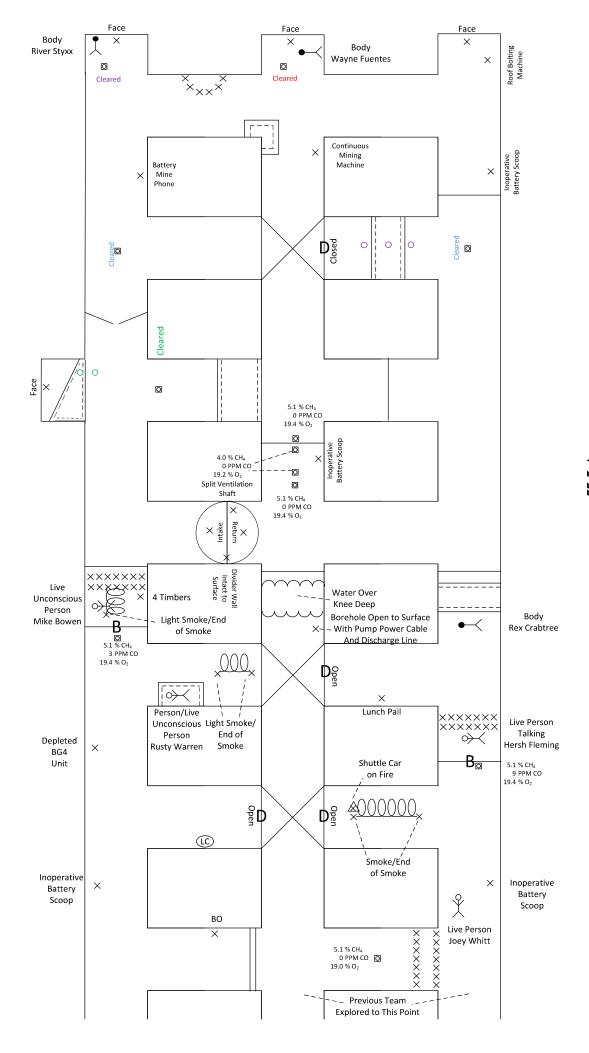


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Day 2 Statement

Thank you for returning. After you finished exploration yesterday, there was a problem with the shaft elevator and it cannot be used. Another mine rescue team (5 members) entered the mine from the drift portals to recover the two bodies found in yesterday's exploration. The team's BO, who was located on the surface, lost contact with the team and subsequent attempts to the contact them have failed. You are located in the FAB a third mine rescue team established.

The No. 2 Mine Fan located at the split air shaft is still running in exhaust mode and cannot be stopped, stalled, or reversed. The No. 1 Mine Fan located at the drift portals is still off, but can be started by contacted the Command Center. The fan can only be operated in the exhaust mode. Electrical power to the underground area of the mine is still de-energized and locked out on the surface, but can be energized by contacting the Command Center. You will be provided a map showing how you left the mine yesterday. All areas you explored yesterday are considered safe to ventilate through (you do not have to re-explore those areas). All areas explored outby the FAB are safe for ventilation.

Once again, the mine has a history of methane, bad roof, and water. The mine maps are up to date. Both agencies are present. A backup mine rescue team is present. Two maps and the team's written instructions will be provided when you are ready to begin working.

Day 2 Team Instructions Problem

- Explore all areas of the mine that can be safely explored.
- Once started, a mine fan cannot be stopped, stalled, or reversed.
- At each apparatus check, the name of the team member with the lowest oxygen level and the oxygen level must be called out to the command center (briefing officer if there is no command center attendant) prior to the team moving from that team stop.
- The team cannot move any barricade or ventilation structure nailed to the ground.
- A time limit of 120 minutes has been established for this problem. The team will be advised 10 minutes prior to this time limit expiring.

Day 2 Note No. 1

(Live Person Behind Barricade in no. 3 entry)

"Help, get me out."

Day 2 Note No. 2

(Live Person in no. 3 entry)

This is Joey Whitt. He is dazed and disoriented but has no injuries. He is able to walk out on his own. The SCSR he is wearing (mouthpiece simulated) is functional.