

**Event Date:** 20/04/2021

**Classification:** Serious Event

## Rock Fall Fatality

**Description of Event:** A specialist rope access subcontractor engaged by Electrix was assessing an area above an alpine section of road to make it safe for road maintenance works. During this activity a rock movement above the work area occurred, resulting in the rope access technician employed by the subcontractor suffering fatal injuries.

Rope access work area



**Immediate Actions:** Emergency services contacted, and medical attention provided on site by the subcontractor's rope access team until the rescue helicopter medical team arrived.

An Investigation is in progress and learnings will be shared when in a position to do so.

Our thoughts are with family, friends and work colleagues. Employee Assistance Program Services are available for anyone who wishes to utilise this service, Ph: 0800 327 669.

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