Roller Rolls Over Lookout

A spotter was crushed to death by a road roller during paving work. He had been guiding construction vehicles and general traffic on the road as asphalt pavement was being applied and finished. The roller was moving backward and forward to compress the asphalt. The operator did not look before he began to back up, and the spotter had his back to the roller.

Never turn your back on danger – such as heavy equipment at a construction site. Equipment could change direction unexpectedly, and the operator might not notice you. As a construction worker or a passerby, watch out for yourself. Training, job planning and good supervision can help prevent on-the-job accidents such as this.