



NEWS RELEASE

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Traffic Collision on Interstate 15 Near Victorville Injures Several.

Just before 3:30 p.m. today, San Bernardino County Fire received reports of a traffic collision on the southbound Interstate 15 south of Dale Evans Parkway north of Victorville. Units from #SBCoFD and the Apple Valley Fire Protection District responded due to the fact this area borders the jurisdictions of both agencies.

Shortly after dispatch an update was provided by CommCenter stating that there were multiple injuries including CPR in progress on one patient. MT311 arrived on scene at southbound Interstate 15, 1 mile south of Dale Evans, finding one SUV with major damage from a rollover. A Multi-Casualty Incident or “MCI” was declared bringing multiple paramedic engine companies and ambulances to the scene. Upon triage, there was found to be nine patients, with two prioritized as “immediate”, six “delayed”, and one fatality. One “immediate” patient was transported via CHP helicopter H-80. Seven patients were transported by ground ambulances to local hospitals.

SBCoFD responded with one medic engine, one medic truck, one brush patrol and a battalion chief for a total of 9 personnel. Apple Valley Fire Protection District responded with one medic engine and a chief officer for a total of four personnel. American Medical Response (AMR) dispatched five ambulances and utilized four for transport. At the close of the incident it was determined that this collision occurred inside the boundaries of the Apple Valley Fire District. Through mutual aid both agencies handled the incident efficiently.

The accident is currently under investigation by the California Highway Patrol. Traffic was shut down on the Southbound 15 for about 30 minutes.

Date: Saturday February 20th, 2016

Time: 3:19 p.m.

Location: Southbound Interstate 15 south of Dale Evans Pkwy.

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