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San Bernardino Co FFs - Incident Video Release: On October 20th, 2018 at 01:20PM SBCoFD responded to a residential structure fire in the 14000 block of Golden Trail in the City of Victorville.

Medic Engine 313 arrived on scene in approximately 5 minutes, they reported heavy smoke and fire coming from an attached garage with extension into the attic of the home. Medic Engine 313 implemented the “Deck Gun” to knock the bulk of the fire out of the garage, crews then made entry into the structure and initiated an offensive interior attack.

Truck crews supported this operation with vertical ventilation on the roof above. The fire was ultimately declared out approximately 32 minutes later. San Bernardino County Fire responded with 3 paramedic engines, 2 truck companies, 1 battalion chief and 1 investigator for a total of 17 personnel.

There were no injuries to civilians or fire personnel. The cause is currently under investigation.

<https://www.firefighternation.com/articles/2018/11/san-bernardino-county-helmet-cam.html>

Man saved after mine shaft fall

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In a dramatic, hours-long operation, San Bernardino County rescue personnel saved the life of a 24-year-old man who tumbled down a 100-foot deep abandoned mine shaft near Calico Ghost Town on Saturday.

A spokesperson for Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in Colton said Justin David Presley of Orange County was in the intensive care unit on Monday. Officials said he suffered major injuries in his fall, which occurred about 11:30 a.m.

Specially trained members of the **county fire** department’s Heavy Rescue team required about five hours to bring Presley to the surface.

Presley and several friends were exploring caves in the foothills near Calico, sheriff’s deputies said. After Presley slipped and fell down a shaft inside a cave, officials said, a friend who was nearby called 911. County personnel who initially arrived were concerned that Presley may not have enough air at the bottom of the shaft. It was soon determined that there was enough circulation below that air pumping equipment was not needed.

Working carefully to avoid further injury to Presley, deputies strapped him on a stretcher designed for use in tight spaces. He was pulled from the shaft around 6 p.m. and flown by helicopter to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, according to reports.

Calico Ghost Town is part of San Bernardino County's regional parks system. A page on the county parks website cautions that "mines in the Calico area are extremely hazardous and must not be approached for any reason!"

Calico was a center for silver mining in the 1880s and 1890s. According to the website www.secretmines.com, mining operations continued on a smaller scale into 1940s, and more than 500 mines remain in the area from Calico's mining days.

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