

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **County Fire Rescues Accident Victims**

Date/Time: May 11th, 2015 2:38 a.m.

Location: Northbound Interstate 15 north of Cima Rd.

**Incident: Traffic Collision with Extrication** 

## **Summary:**

Just after 2:30 a.m. San Bernardino County Fire received numerous reports of a traffic collision with extrication on the Northbound Interstate 15 North of Cima Rd. County Fire responded with a basic life support engine company, which responded from the town of Baker. Company 53 arrived on scene several minutes after dispatch and reported a single vehicle rollover with major damage. This area is very remote and response times can be extended.

County Fire's Emergency Medical Technician's along with Baker Ambulance paramedics determined there were a total of six occupants in the vehicle all with critical injuries. Upon further assessment it was determined there were two person's deceased, an approximate 30 year old male and an approximate 60 year old female.

Baker Ambulance transported 4 patients to UMC Vegas with non-life threatening injuries including an approximate 30 year old female, 12 year old female, 7 year old male, and a 9 year old female. County fire remained on scene to assist the coroner and CHP for another 2 hrs.

The cause of the accident is under investigation by the California Highway Patrol. County Fire would like to remind residents and visitors of our County that seatbelts save lives. It is always the best practice to wear a seatbelt while in a moving vehicle.

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