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Pinging Phone Helps Locate Woman Who Survived 700-Foot Fall After Veering Off Mountain Road

Staff Writer, CBSLA

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CRESTLINE (CBSLA) — A woman is lucky to be alive Thursday after her car plunged 700 feet off a road high atop the San Bernardino Mountains, and she has her cellphone to thank for her rescue.

The woman managed to call emergency crews after falling down the side of the mountain but could not pinpoint where she was. Authorities used the phone's ping to approximate her location.

A rescue crew found a patch of dirt along Hwy. 18 near Crestline where they believed she had veered off the road.

She was found about 700 feet down at the base of a mountain in remarkably good condition, given what she had just endured.

"I'm amazed. You don't have these positive outcomes like this when you launch over the side and end up 700 feet, so she's doing quite well," said Battalion Chief Bob Evans with **San Bernardino County Fire**. "I don't know what her prognosis will be, but she has an altered level of consciousness and some back pain, understandably."

Firefighters had to go down into where the woman's car had fallen and pulled out both her and her vehicle. The woman was taken to a local hospital.

The California Highway Patrol is still investigating what could have cause her to go off the road.

<http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2018/05/24/pinging-phone-san-bernardino-mountains/>

Driver rescued after car plunges 700 feet in Crestline

Associated Press, Daily Press

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CRESTLINE — A Southern California motorist has been rescued after her car plunged 700 feet off a road in the San Bernardino Mountains.

KCBS-TV in Los Angeles reports that the woman managed to call for help after the accident Thursday but could not say exactly where she was.

Authorities used the phone's ping to figure out approximately where she was and then found a patch of dirt along State Route 18 near Crestline that marked where the car went over the side.

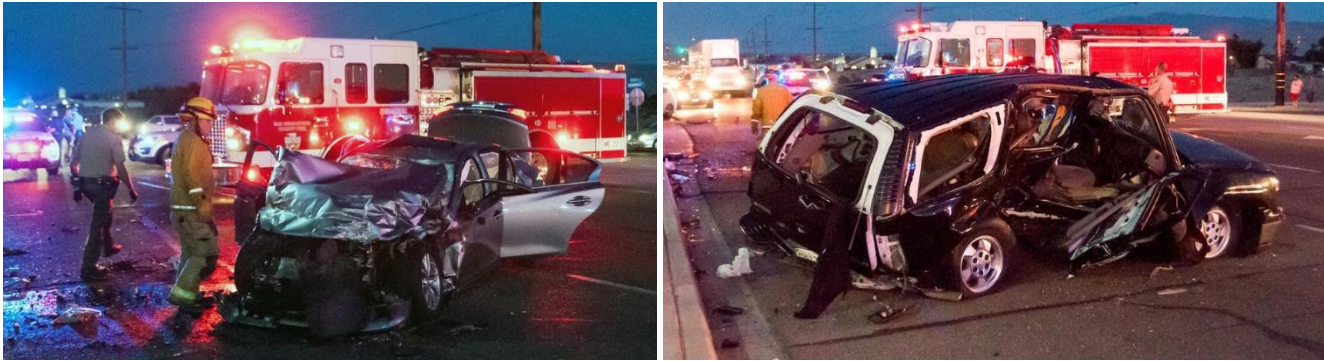
San Bernardino County firefighters descended down the mountain to rescue the woman, who was taken to a hospital.

Battalion Chief Bob Evans says he's amazed at the outcome considering how far she fell.

Man airlifted after crash on Bear Valley Road

Paola Baker, Daily Press

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Authorities respond to a crash on Bear Valley Road that sent a man to a trauma center late Wednesday. [Photo Courtesy of Chris Reay]

VICTORVILLE — A man was airlifted to a trauma center after being involved in a violent crash on Bear Valley Road Wednesday evening, officials said.

The crash occurred at about 7:50 p.m. at the intersection of Bear Valley Road and Apatite Avenue. San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department officials said the man suffered injuries to his head and stomach from the impact.

The man was behind the wheel of a Chevy Tahoe attempting to cross the intersection from Apatite Avenue onto Bear Valley Road. The Tahoe was struck by a woman in a Mitsubishi Infiniti headed west, officials said. Both vehicles sustained major damage from the impact, and the Infiniti briefly caught fire.

Officials said the woman was taken to a local hospital for "complaints of abdominal pain," while the man was airlifted with a laceration to his head and abdominal pain. No other injuries were reported.

Alcohol does not appear to be a factor in this crash, officials said, which remains under investigation.

Anyone with information or who may have witnessed the crash is urged to contact the Victorville Sheriff's Station at 760-241-2911. Persons wishing to remain anonymous can contact the We-Tip Hotline at 1-800-782-7463 or online at www.wetip.com.

<http://www.vvdailynews.com/news/20180524/man-airlifted-after-crash-on-bear-valley-road>

HOUSE FIRE IN YUCCA VALLEY MONDAY

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Morongo Basin firefighters were called to a house fire in Yucca Valley Wednesday. According to **County Fire Battalion Chief Bryant O'Hara**, firefighters from Yucca Valley, Yucca Mesa, Joshua Tree and Twentynine Palms were called to the blaze in the 8000 block of Grand Avenue at 4:55 p.m. O'Hara said the flames were confined to the bedroom and firefighters mounted an aggressive interior attack. However, due to extensive smoke damage, the Red Cross was called in to assist the family. The three adults and their two cats and three dogs escaped safely and there were no injuries to firefighters. O'hara said the cause is under investigation.

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