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- Hikers warned of danger near popular waterfall site in San Bernardino Mountains
- Man dies after being involved in a fight at a park in Fontana; suspect is arrested
- Car Slams Into Back Of Semi Trailer On Northbound I-215 In San Bernardino
As a late summer heat wave rolls into Southern California, many residents are heading to the lakes and streams of the San Bernadino Mountains for relief.

But officials with the San Bernardino County fire department are reminding people to heed warnings posted by the U.S. Forest Service to stay out of the area known as Big Falls because of how dangerous the conditions can be near the waterfall.

"Especially in years where we have lower water flow, it exposes some rocks that are literally slick as glass," said firefighter Eric Sherwin, who said so far this year they've had nearly a dozen rescues.

Unfortunately, there have also been two fatalities this year.

"They're all coming from the exact same spot off of this trail," said Sherwin.

"Yesterday we had yet another for an adult female that went hiking into the closed area and slipped and fell. She sustained fortunately non-life-threatening head injuries, but still required helicopter hoist evacuation and transport to a local trauma center."

An observation area at the base of the waterfall, marked by wrought-iron hand railing, is the farthest the public is allowed to go given the current closure.

However, there is no signage at the location; the only notification to the public of the closure of Big Falls is on a sign near the parking lot for the trailhead.

A violation of the closure order is a federal offense and could mean a fine of up to $5,000 or up to six months in jail.

Man dies after being involved in a fight at a park in Fontana; suspect is arrested
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A man died after being involved in a fight with another man at Miller Park on the afternoon of Aug. 30, according to the Fontana Police Department.

At about 12:08 p.m., officers were dispatched to the park at 17004 Arrow Boulevard in the downtown area in reference to a medical aid/man down report.

Officers arrived and found the man unresponsive close to the restrooms. San Bernardino County Fire/Medics pronounced the man deceased. His identity was not immediately confirmed.

Officers found out the victim was involved in a fight with another man shortly before the 911 calls.

Officers identified and detained the suspect, who was still in the area. The suspect was arrested and transported to West Valley Detention Center for booking without incident.

Miller Park was closed for several hours while detectives processed the scene and interviewed witnesses, trying to find a motive.

It is unknown if the two men knew each other, said Fontana Public Information Officer Daniel Romero.

SAN BERNARDINO, CA. (Pain In The Pass) >> A gray sedan slammed in the back of a semi on northbound Interstate 215 in San Bernardino Tuesday late afternoon.

California Highway Patrol and San Bernardino County Fire Department responded to the traffic crash involving an semi and a dark gray Toyota Camry. The crash took place at about 4:48pm August 30, 2022 just before the Palm Avenue/Kendall Drive exit.

When rescue crews arrived they said no major injuries were reported to the driver of the Toyota and only had minor injuries.

We will update this story with more information when the CHP’s preliminary accident report is available. Additional details were limited at this time. This incident will be under investigation by the California Highway Patrol Inland Office.