

Two construction workers are rescued after being trapped in trench in Fontana

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San Bernardino County firefighters rescued two construction workers who were trapped in a trench in Fontana. (Contributed photo by San Bernardino County Fire Department)

Two construction workers were rescued after being trapped in a trench under a broken concrete slab in Fontana on the afternoon of March 24, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department.

The workers were involved in the city's major road construction project in the 7600 block of Sierra Avenue.

The concrete slab from a building foundation collapsed, initially trapping the workers. The Fire Department responded to the scene and successfully extricated both victims.

The two workers were being evaluated by firefighter/paramedics for lower extremity injuries, the Fire Department said.

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Black Ice May Have Cause A Crash On Summit Valley Rd Saturday Morning

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HESPERIA, CA. (Pain In The Pass) >> Looks like a car spun off hit the dirt embankment, due to black ice this Saturday morning, according to the California Highway Patrol.

The crash was reported about 7:14am on Saturday March 25, 2023. California Highway Patrol, and **San Bernardino County Fire** Department responded to the traffic collision. The location of the crash was on Summit Valley Road about a mile north of Highway 138 (Hesperia side).

From the CHP traffic log stated the tan Toyota Corolla lost control by hitting some black ice, hit the dirt embankment and rolled over on its side. No injuries were reported in this collision.

CHP received multiple reports of black ice across highways and side roads in different locations prior to this collision.

Speed and black ice is probably the cause of the crash. We will update this story with more information when the CHP's preliminary incident report is available. This incident is currently under investigation by the California Highway Patrol Office.

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2 pilots killed in Riverside County crash helped snowed-in San Bernardino mountain residents

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Friends and family this weekend are mourning two Murrieta pilots killed in <u>a helicopter crash in a remote area</u> of Riverside County on Friday.

The turbine helicopter crashed at about 12:40 p.m. near Chastity and Pulsar View roads, roughly 10 miles north of Hemet-Ryan Airport, according to the Riverside County fire and sheriff's departments.

The victims were identified as 61-year-old Mark Carter and 62-year-old Dennis Foster. They were the only two people aboard the plane.

"Dennis was a really big hero of mine actually, just growing up, I always looked up to him," Foster's friend <u>Kevin Heidorn told ABC7</u>.

According to Heidorn, Foster was an avid mountain biker and when he wasn't flying he spent much of his time cycling.

"The whole community is just in real disbelief," Heidorn added.

Carter was a volunteer pilot for the nonprofit organization Angel Flight West, according to the station. Although the crash was not related to Angel Flight, the organization said he had flown nearly 70 donated flights since 2020 to help patients in need of non-emergency medical treatment.

Carter and Foster had made frequent trips to the San Bernardino mountains, bringing urgently needed medical supplies to snowbound residents in recent weeks, according to ABC7.

Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Donnell Evans said Saturday that the chopper was a seven-seat Bell 407, which is used in short-haul transportation, utility operations and law enforcement.

The FAA and National Transportation Safety Board will investigate, he said. The NTSB will lead the investigation.

There was no immediate word on the type of operation for which the ill-fated helicopter was being used, from where it departed or where it was going at the time of the crash.

Fire officials said a sheriff's STAR-9 helicopter crew, based at Hemet-Ryan, was the first to reach the location and requested fire department assistance. Firefighters and patrol deputies hiked to the location, at which point the two fatalities were confirmed.

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