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TWENTYNINE PALMS FIRE IS CALLED “SUSPICIOUS”

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Firefighters were able to contain the blaze to the garage. San Bernardino County Fire photo

The Sheriff’s Bomb and Arson unit is investigating a fire in Twentynine Palms Friday morning that has been called “suspicious.” Firefighters from Twentynine Palms, Joshua Tree, and the Combat Center were called to the blaze in the 73000 block of Sun Valley Drive at 11:08 a.m. **County Fire** Battalion Chief Donnie Vioria said that initial reports were that people were trapped inside the home; firefighters had to assist an elderly disabled man out of the house, but the other two residents, three children, and a dog had gotten out on their own. One of the other men had burns to his hands. Witnesses reported hearing explosions before they noticed the flames. The garage was fully involved in smoke and flames when firefighters arrived. Vioria said firefighters launched an aggressive attack and were able to contain the blaze to the garage and a few palm trees in the front yard, although the home did suffer minimal damage as well as smoke damage. Vioria said the garage’s roof collapsed, which he said indicates a very hot and intense fire, which is not normally seen in a fire of this type. The Sheriff’s Department is investigating.

<http://z1077fm.com/twentynine-palms-fire-is-called-suspicious/>

ROCKER CLIMBER RESCUED IN JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK SUNDAY

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A rock climber was injured following a fall in Joshua Tree National Park Sunday afternoon. **County Fire** Battalion Chief Mike McClintock said that rescuers from the park service, Joshua Tree Search and Rescue, county fire, and the Sheriff’s Department were called to the Hidden Valley area of the park at 1:45 p.m. The unidentified male rock climber fell about 30 feet onto rocks and landed in a precarious position; the rescuers had to hike up to him to get him. A Sheriff’s helicopter transported the victim to Desert Hospital in Palm Springs with multiple injuries.

<http://z1077fm.com/rocker-climber-rescued-in-joshua-tree-national-park-sunday/>

Garbage Truck Driver Injured in Crash at Cherry and Whittram in Fontana

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Fontana, California (February 9, 2020) – A sanitation truck driver was injured in a collision with another vehicle in Fontana on Friday evening.

According to a report by the California Highway Patrol, the accident happened at about 5:06 p.m. February 7, at the intersection of Cherry and Whittram avenues.

A Burrtec Waste garbage truck is reported to have collided with a white Chevy Silverado pickup. One of the vehicles crashed into a traffic light pole after the accident.

San Bernardino County Fire Department said the garbage truck driver was seriously injured in the accident and was taken to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

The pickup truck driver was also transported to an area hospital in an unknown condition.

San Bernardino County Department of Public Works officials arrived at the scene to handle the environmental cleanup of the fuel and oils that were spilled

The CHP is investigating the cause of the accident.

<https://www.newsopi.com/california/garbage-truck-driver-injured-in-crash-at-cherry-and-whittram-in-fontana/12055>

Burrtec Waste truck driver suffers severe injuries in collision in western Fontana on Feb. 7

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A collision involving a Burrtec Waste truck and a Chevy Silverado took place in western Fontana on Feb. 7. (Contributed photo by Mike Myers)

The driver of a Burrtec Waste garbage truck suffered severe traumatic injuries and the driver of another vehicle suffered minor injuries due to a traffic collision in the western area of Fontana on Feb. 7.

At about 5:06 p.m., the California Highway Patrol and the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department responded to the incident at the intersection of Cherry and Whittram avenues.

The Burrtec truck collided into a white Chevy Silverado pickup and a traffic light pole. Firefighters worked for about 20 minutes to extricate the driver of the garbage truck, while other firefighters worked to contain a natural gas leak coming from the truck that is powered by natural gas.

The Burrtec driver was transported to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center and the Chevy driver was transported to a local hospital.

The San Bernardino County Department of Public Works responded to secure the light signal that was damaged and to handle the environmental cleanup of the fuel and oils that were spilled.

The CHP is handling the investigation of the incident.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/burrtec-waste-truck-driver-suffers-severe-injuries-in-collision-in/article_a2e59056-4aa5-11ea-9968-333d729c25f0.html