



# SANTA CLARA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT INFORMATION SHEET

Date: 10/05/2020 Time: 8:00 a.m.



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INCIDENT INFORMATION			
Incident Name: Highway 17 IC			
Incident Start Date: 10/04/2020		Incident Start Time: 8:46 p.m.	
Incident Type: Rescue		Cause: Under Investigation - CHP	
Incident Location: Northbound Highway 17, north of Idylwild Rd., Los Gatos			
Unified Command Agencies: California Highway Patrol			
Size: Single vehicle	Containment: N/A	Controlled: N/A	
Civilian Injuries/Fatalities: 3		Firefighter Injuries/Fatalities: 0	
Structures Threatened: N/A		Structures Destroyed/Damaged: N/A	
ASSIGNED RESOURCES			
Engines: 4	Trucks: 1	Rescues: 1	Chief Officers: 2
Other: 5	Support Units: 0	Total Personnel: 30	
Cooperating Agencies: Cal Fire, Santa Clara County EMS			

INCIDENT SUMMARY	
<b>Incident Summary:</b>	<p>At approximately 8:46 p.m., Santa Clara County Fire Department was dispatched to reports of a vehicle over the embankment on northbound Highway 17, north of Idylwild Road. On arrival, firefighters found a vehicle approximately 125 feet off the roadway, down a steep hillside. Two of the occupants had self-extricated from the vehicle and one remained trapped.</p> <p>Due to the steep terrain and technical nature of the rescue, crews worked to create a rope rescue system to safely lower equipment and rescuers to the vehicle, extricate the trapped victim and raise all three patients back to the roadside. All patients were rescued and returned to the roadway in just under two hours. All patients were transported to area hospitals by Santa Clara County EMS - One patient suffered major injuries, one with moderate injuries and one with minor injuries.</p> <p>Santa Clara County Fire Department reminds drivers that, even during the summer months, Highway 17 is a mountain highway that requires attentive driving and adherence to posted speed limits and current conditions. For more information, visit <a href="http://sccfd.org/safeon17">sccfd.org/safeon17</a></p>
<b>Road Closures:</b>	none

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