

RANCHO SANTA FE FIRE
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CAR CRASHES INTO TREE IN RANCHO SANTA FE

On August 28, 2007, at 2:27 p.m., Rancho Santa Fe firefighters responded to the report of car that had crashed into a tree near the intersection of El Montevideo and Via De Fortuna in Rancho Santa Fe. Upon arrival, emergency personnel found one vehicle had crashed into a tree, trapping one patient inside. It took 10 minutes to rescue the driver from the vehicle. He was treated at the scene and then transported to a local hospital by ambulance. A section of El Montevideo was temporarily closed while emergency crews worked to assist the victim and clear the scene.

Two Rancho Santa Fe fire engines, one ambulance, operated by San Diego Medical Service Enterprise, California Highway Patrol, and Rancho Santa Fe Patrol responded to the scene. Battalion Chief Michael Gibbs served as the incident commander.

The mission of the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District is to serve the public through the protection of life, environment, and property from fire and other natural and human caused emergencies. Formed in 1946, the Fire District now spans approximately 42-square miles and protects over 22,000 citizens. The Fire District currently operates out of four full-time fire stations serving communities within and surrounding Rancho Santa Fe, 4S-Ranch, Fairbanks Ranch, Cielo and The Crosby.

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