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CAR ACCIDENTS MARK START OF NEW YEAR IN RANCHO SANTA FE

RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif. — The new year started off in Rancho Santa Fe with a pair of unrelated car accidents in which one man was killed and another was seriously injured.

The first accident occurred at 4:57 a.m. on January 1, 2009. Firefighters responded to a two-vehicle accident near the intersection of La Orilla and El Camino Real. Upon arrival, they found two vehicles off the side of the road. They assessed two victims and confirmed that one was deceased. The other patient refused medical aid. The California Highway Patrol is still investigating the cause of the accident.

The second incident happened at 1:40 p.m. Firefighters responded to a traffic collision in the 5600 block of Linea Del Cielo. When they arrived on scene they discovered one vehicle was overturned and there were multiple victims. One patient was transported by air ambulance to a trauma center and three patients were transported by ambulance to local hospitals.

“These accidents serve a reminder to all of us to be safe on the roads,” said Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District Deputy Chief Tony Michel.

The mission of the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District is “To protect life, property, and environment through prevention, preparedness, education and emergency response.” Formed in 1946, the Fire District now spans approximately 42-square miles and protects over 26,500 citizens. The Fire District currently operates out of four full-time fire stations and serves the communities within and surrounding Rancho Santa Fe and 4S-Ranch.

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