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**CAR ACCIDENT DOWNS POWER LINES ON RAMBLA DE LOS FLORES**

**RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif.** — On Thursday, August 13, 2009, at 1:45 a.m., Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District (RSFFPD) firefighters responded to a traffic collision near the intersection of Rambla de los Flores and Calle Chaparro. Upon arrival they found a vehicle had collided with a power pole, causing the pole to break and fall across the roadway. The car, a 1999 Volvo, ended up 200 feet away in a ditch and no occupants could be found. There was no threat of a fire but several residents were without power for several hours. Rambla de los Flores was closed in both directions for several hours while San Diego Gas and Electric worked to remove the pole and power lines from across the roadway. The cause of the accident is under investigation by the California Highway Patrol.

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 29,000 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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