



Carry out of injured climber, already off rock

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Tahquitz Rock
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Two men were working a route on Tahquitz Rock's south side when one of them took about a 25' fall. The subject sustained numerous abrasions and a probable broken right ankle. He and his partner managed to get off the rock face, and attempted to get themselves down the scree slopes below the rock. Exhausted and in considerable pain, the injured climber conceded that he would need help. RMRU arrived on scene about 7:00pm. The team performed a wheeled litter evacuation that proved to be quite challenging due to the steep terrain, thick ground cover, and a moonless night. The subject was safely handed over to Idyllwild Fire about 12 :00am for transport to a local hospital.

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