



Injured Hiker Saddle Junction

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Saddle Junction
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RMRU was called to assist Cal Fire and Idyllwild Fire with the evacuation of an injured hiker with a suspected broken ankle. The hiker was near Saddle Junction, 2.5 miles above Humber Park. However, good weather and availability allowed the Riverside Sheriff's Aviation Unit to land nearby and quickly evacuate the injured hiker to the Lake Hemet Sheriff Substation.

Responding team members included some of RMRU's newest members who were just returning from an all day, multi-team training exercise in Joshua Tree; they included Les Walker, Chuck Springer, Tom Mahood, and Bob Bakos. Other veteran team members responding included Pete Carlson, William Carlson, Grace Manues, Jim Manues and Dana Potts. Thanks to all. And a special thanks to Henry Negrete of Idyllwild Fire for keeping us posted on the situation.

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