

Ortega Highway Rescue

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I got another call form call captain Gwenda Yates that we were needed for a hoist of a stranded hiker in the Ortega Mountains, near Lake Elsinore. I gathered up my gear and met Tyler at the heliport. As we were loading up a call came in for a 211 (armed robbery) in San Jacinto. Since our subject was not injured, we went with Pilot Chad Marlatt and TFO (technical flight officer) Jerry Osterloh and circled the crime scene for three hours looking for the robber. We thought we would be able to find the robber and then go to the stranded girl.

Meanwhile Cal Fire was able to locate our stranded girl and walked her out to safety. Star 9 finally needed fuel, so Tyler and I went home from there as the helicopter went back to continue the search.

RMRU Members Involved: Glenn Henderson and Tyler Shumway.

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