

CAL FIRE / NAPA COUNTY FIRE NEWS RELEASE



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FIRE ENGINE ROLLOVER

ST. HELENA – A Napa County Fire Department Engine staffed with three CAL FIRE Firefighters rolled down a steep embankment at approximately 1:30 AM. The Engine was responding to a reported tree down in the Deer Park area of unincorporated Napa County. Preliminary reports indicate that the Engine and crew were travelling down a narrow unlit rural road when the right wheels lost contact with the roadway. The vehicle rolled 360 degrees down a steep embankment traveling approximately 40 feet before hitting a large pine tree where it came to a stop. The three firefighters self extricated themselves from the Engine and were transported via ambulance to the Queen of the Valley Hospital in Napa for medical evaluation. Only one of the three firefighters was treated for a minor shoulder injury and all were released shortly after. The 2006 Pierce Fire Engine was equipped with driver and passenger airbags which is believed to have saved the life of at least one of the firefighters. A CAL FIRE Serious Accident Review Team (SART) has been activated and will be conducting a thorough investigation of the incident in cooperation with the California Highway Patrol and the Napa County Risk Manager.

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