

Injured hiker rescued near Eagle Falls

An injured hiker was rescued early Monday morning after having hurt her leg Sunday near Eagle Falls.

A helicopter landing at the Vikingsholm parking lot about 1:30am July 28 got the attention of campers in the area.

The call came in to El Dorado County sheriff's search and rescue about 6:45pm Sunday from the father of one of the hikers. But it wasn't until about 8 that a more definitive location of the couple was secured.

CareFlight was sent up to see if the two could be extricated, but there was no place for the helicopter to land. The search and rescue team started hiking in about 10pm.

"We put a large team together in case we had to carry a patient a long ways," Sgt. Michael Seligsohn told *Lake Tahoe News*. "One of the keys to this whole thing is the reporting party advised that both were experienced hikers, they advised they had taken care of first aid needs and were in a good place to stay the night if necessary."

Names and hometowns of the hikers were not available, nor are the extent of injuries known. The person was taken to Barton Memorial Hospital.

Some of the search team came from the Horsetail Falls area because there had been a call there earlier on July 27. The people needing help walked out on their own.

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