

2 women plucked from cliff in Desolation



The CHP helicopter brought the women to a field in Strawberry on Aug. 13.
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Two people had to be rescued from Desolation Wilderness on Sunday after they got stuck on the ledge of a steep cliff.

El Dorado County search and rescue team members were called to help Lisa Tran and Sarah Pollo, both from the Sacramento area, who were stranded near Lake Sylvia. This is at an elevation of about 8,700 feet. According to the rescue team, the women could not get down or up.

Because of the location and distance into the wilderness the California Highway Patrol used a helicopter to retrieve the duo. Search and rescue volunteers with the assistance of the helicopter team used long ropes to lower both hikers to safety. The rescue took more than four hours.

There were no injuries from the Aug. 13 afternoon rescue.

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