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Firefighters rescue man from car swept away by floodwaters in the Cajon Pass

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News Group
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CAJON PASS, Calif. (VVNG.com) — Firefighters worked quickly to safely rescue a man from a vehicle that was swept away by rapid flood waters Tuesday morning in the Cajon Pass.

At about 9:33 am, on November 8, 2022, **San Bernardino County Fire** crews were dispatched to a reported swift water rescue at the intersection of Swarthout Canyon Road & Cajon Boulevard in the Cajon Pass. Officials said 911 callers reported that one vehicle was stuck in raging floodwaters prompting a full swift water rescue assignment, including two specialized water rescue teams.

According to a **San Bernardino County Fire** news release, Firefighters arrived to find one vehicle with a male adult already on the roof stuck in moving water. The flash flood was multiple feet high which had caused the occupant to retreat to the roof.

As arriving crews set up for a rescue, the car was swept away. Downstream spotters monitored the vehicle's path down the Cajon Pass. The car with the occupant on the roof traveled more than 1/8 of a mile before finally coming to rest along a bank.

Once the vehicle stopped, firefighters threw a personal flotation device and tagline to the victim. Rescuers quickly entered the water, secured the victim and brought him to safety. Once removed he was treated by awaiting paramedics. The male was not injured and declined medical transport. No firefighters were injured in the rescue.

San Bernardino County Fire responded with two engine companies, two Heavy Rescues, two Swift Water Units, a Battalion Chief, and a Medic Ambulance.

SBCF Safety Message:

Heavy rainfall can cause normally dry washes and riverbeds to become raging torrents in a very short amount of time, and it only takes as little as 12 inches of moving water to move a vehicle. Never cross a road that you can't see due to it being covered by water. Remember, "Turn Around; Don't Drown."

<https://www.vvng.com/firefighters-rescue-man-from-car-swept-away-by-floodwaters-in-the-cajon-pass/>

Floods kill one as heavy rain, wind and cold blasts California's Inland Empire and Victor Valley

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A Pacific storm on Tuesday is expected to bring a cold front, with a long line of heavy rain, isolated thunderstorms and strong wind gust to the Victor Valley.

A Pacific storm on Election Day Tuesday resulted in flooded roadways, closed streets, and several water rescues, including one fatality, in San Bernardino County.

A flash flood warning was also issued for the High Desert on Tuesday afternoon as heavy rain and strong wind gusts continued to impact the region. There were no reports of voting being delayed by the storms, according to officials,

The storm began Monday with heavy rain and strong winds. After a lull in the storm, meteorologists expect round two to hit on Tuesday afternoon.

A cold front, with a long line of heavy rain, isolated thunderstorms, and strong wind gusts, is expected to roll through Southern California from 3 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, the National Weather Service reported.

Wind gusts between 50 and 70 mph were recorded in Hesperia, Wrightwood, Lake Arrowhead, Pinon Hills, Crestline, and Phelan.

Gusts were clocked between 50 and 30 mph in Victorville, Summit Valley, Lucerne Valley, and Apple Valley.

Evening temperatures across the Victor Valley are expected to drop into the 40s as heavy rain continues through Wednesday.

Meteorologists expect mountain peaks above the 6,000-foot elevation level to receive anywhere from 6 to 20-inches of snow.

Water rescues

The **San Bernardino County Fire** Department reported water rescues in Devore, Upland, and Ontario.

The Ontario Fire Department reported on Tuesday afternoon that one person was found dead and two more missing after six subjects were swept away in a wash in the 1200 block of East Fourth Street.

On Tuesday morning, the first fire unit on the scene reported six subjects were swept downstream by the current. Later that day, rescue personnel rescued three subjects.

Road closures

The city of Hesperia reported that due to flooding, the intersections of Peach Avenue at Centennial Street and Peach Avenue at Hinton Street are temporarily closed.

Also in Hesperia, Cottonwood Avenue and Hawthorne Road, both located south of Rancho Road south of Rancho Road

The San Bernardino Mountains on Tuesday faced road closures due to flooding, mudflows, and rocks and debris on roadways, according to Caltrans.

Highway 38 was closed in both directions due to mud, rockfall, and debris. Commuters are requested to use Hwy. 330 to 18.

Highway 18 was closed in both directions from 48th Street to the Highway 138/18 bridge due to flooding and mud cleanup.

The Yucaipa Sheriff's Station at around 12:30 p.m. issued an evacuation order as potential mud, and debris flow may affect the El Dorado and Apple fire burn scars. The areas include Oak Glen, Forest Falls, Mountain Home Village, Angelus Oaks, and Northeast Yucaipa.

<https://www.vvdailypress.com/story/news/2022/11/08/california-weather-heavy-rain-wind-flash-floods-cold-san-bernardino-county-election-day-winter-storm/8307032001/>

1 Dead, 2 Missing After Record Rain Triggers Floods in California

Richard Davies, Floodlist

November 8, 2022



Search and rescue after floods in Ontario, CA, USA, 08 November 2022. Photo: Ontario Fire Department

Severe weather including record heavy rain affected parts of Southern California, USA, and bordering parts of Baja California State in northern Mexico. At least 1 person has died and 2 are still missing after being swept away by flood waters in Ontario, California.

National Weather Service (NWS) in San Diego, California reported 9.14 inches / 232.15 mm of rain fell in 48 hours to 08 November in Lytle Creek in the San Gabriel Mountains, within San Bernardino County. San Sevaime in San Bernardino County recorded 7.28 inches / 184.91 mm during the same period.

Heavy rain was also reported in cities. NWS San Diego reported daily record highs in San Diego, with 0.64 inches / 16.26 mm beating the previous 0.52 inches set in 1946; and Oceanside Harbor, with 0.91 inches / 23.11 mm beating the previous daily high of 0.64 inches set in 1979. Daily rainfall records were also reported for Vista, Lake Elsinore, San Jacinto, Escondido, Ramona and El Cajon. Wind gusts of 89 mph (145 km/h) were also reported.

Roads were closed in the city of Hesperia due to flooding and downed power lines. Landslides and mudflows temporarily blocked numerous roads across San Bernardino County, California Department of transport reported.

Evacuation orders were issued for homes near burn scar areas in Yucaipa. Yucaipa Police said: “There is a potential for mud and debris flow which may affect the El Dorado and Apple fire burn scars. The communities of Oak Glen, Forest Falls, Mountain Home Village, Angelus Oaks, and Northeast Yucaipa are now subject to an evacuation order.”

American Red Cross Southern California opened a shelter to house evacuees. San Bernardino County Animal Care assisted those in need of help evacuating animals.

San Bernardino County Fire Department reported water rescues in Devore, Upland and Ontario. Ontario Fire Department said they received reports of 6 people swept away by fast flowing water in a flood channel. Crews managed to rescue 3 of the victims. As of late 08 November, one person had been found dead and 2

more were still missing. Ontario Fire Department said search operations are continuing, using multiple air and ground resources.

<https://floodlist.com/america/usa/floods-southern-california-november-2022>

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Staff Writer, Pain in the Pass

November 8, 2022



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