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Injured Horseback Rider Transported to Hospital by CHP Helicopter

Angwin, CA

On February 16, 2015 at approximately 1648 hours, CHP Helicopter 30 (H-30) was requested by Napa County Fire Department to assist with the rescue of woman that had been injured while horseback riding in the area Northeast of Angwin Airport. The horseback rider had been by knocked down by a horse and sustained major injuries. Upon arrival, H-30 was able to land nearby and packaged the patient for medevac to a nearby trauma center. H-30 transported the patient to the trauma center in a fraction of the time it would have taken by ground ambulance.

The California Highway Patrol Golden Gate Division Air Operations unit, based at the Napa County Airport, operates four aircraft (two airplanes and two helicopters) which patrol approximately 6,923 square miles that incorporates a residential population of more than 7 million people. The helicopter is routinely staffed with a CHP Officer/Pilot and a CHP Officer/Paramedic. The helicopter is equipped with a rescue hoist that has 165 feet of cable that can lift patients and/or rescuers, with a cumulative weight up to 450 pounds.

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