Lost Hikers Rescued In Ventura County Backcountry

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The Ventura County Sheriff's Department says a man and woman had to be rescued in the Ventura County backcountry after they became lost on a hike Wednesday.

The 78-year-old man from Anaheim and 67-year-old woman from Los Angeles left the Reyes Campground in the Los Padres National Forest Wednesday for a hike and when they failed to return a neighboring camper became concerned and called the authorities.

The Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team and the Sheriff's helicopter went to look for them and found the woman first.

She was suffering from dehydration and was hoisted up from a ravine into the sheriff's helicopter.

She was airlifted to VCMC for treatment.

Meanwhile, the male was found about three hours later.

He was not suffering any medical problems but was hoisted up to the copter and airlifted to VCMC to be with the woman.

He told the authorities they got lost while on the hike and the woman started having medical problems so he tried to hike out to get help and got lost.