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Three Firefighters Injured Fighting Wildfire

San Andreas – At approximately 3:30 PM yesterday, July 7, three firefighters from CAL FIRE/California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection were injured while on the fire line of the Inyo Complex near Independence, California. The firefighters were part of two engines working together. Five (5) firefighters were on one engine and four (4) firefighters on the other, when the fire situation became critical. The firefighters deployed their fire shelters until the fire subsided enough for them to escape. Three firefighters sustained minor injuries and were transported to the Fresno Burn Center by helicopter per CAL FIRE policy. One of the engines was destroyed and one was able to be driven. Six of the firefighters did not sustain any injury. The burn incident is currently under investigation.

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