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DNRC CONFIRMS HELICOPTER INCIDENT IN DEEP CREEK FIRE

HELENA, MONT. – The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) confirmed that a DNRC helicopter incident happened while responding to the Deep Creek Fire in Townsend, MT on June 15, 2021 at approximately 5:00 pm.

While en route to the Helibase, the aircraft experienced a hard landing that resulted in fire. All personnel on board were able to safely exit the aircraft and are being assessed by medical staff at both the Billings Clinic Broadwater in Townsend, MT and St. Peter's Health in Helena, MT. There were five personnel on board.

Further details will become available as DNRC investigates the incident.

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