Preliminary Summary Report of Serious or Near Serious CAL FIRE Injuries, Illnesses and Accidents



BLUE SHEET

Helicopter Wire Strike

August 15, 2019

Bayliss Incident

19-CA-SCU-005840

19-CA-SCU-005867

California Northern Region

SUMMARY

On August 15, 2019 at approximately 1:45 PM, a CAL FIRE helicopter was operating on the Bayliss Incident in Santa Clara County, California. While operating on the incident, the helicopter staffed with a CAL FIRE Forestry Fire Pilot and Fire Captain contacted a wire. The pilot was able to safely land the helicopter with no reported injuries. The helicopter sustained no damage.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

No recommendations for immediate corrective actions were identified within the first 24 hours of this review.

This Preliminary Summary Report is intended as an aid in accident prevention, and to provide factual information from the first 12 hours of the accident review. To that end, it is published and distributed within a short time frame. Information contained within may be subject to revision as further investigation is conducted, and other reports and/or documents are received.