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**Event Type:** Vehicle Accident while Demobing from Fire

**Date:** August 21, 2018

**Location:** On Interstate I-70 near Frisco, Colorado

## ***When You Rent a Car, Do You Remember to Check the Tires' Tread Wear?***

### **Narrative**

A Public Information Officer trainee was traveling in a rental car from the Cabin Lake Fire to Denver for a demob flight the following day.

While driving on I-70 near Frisco, Colorado, she became caught in a severe storm with heavy rainfall.

Her vehicle began to hydroplane, went off the road, and overturned.

She received a broken right arm and left shoulder, was treated at a local hospital, and kept overnight. When she returns home, she will require surgery.



The State Trooper assigned to this rollover accident in which the driver received a broken arm and shoulder—that will require surgery—said that the tread levels on this rental car's rear tires were well below allowable limits.

### **LESSONS**

- ❖ The State Trooper investigating this accident said that the tread levels on rental car's rear tires were well below the allowable limits.
- ❖ With all the mobilization that's going on around the West right now, there are surely a lot of vehicles being rented from various sources.
- ❖ We look for dents and dings when we pick up a rental vehicle, but rarely think to check for tire wear.

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