

GREEN SHEET

California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Informational Summary Report of Serious CDF Injuries, Illnesses, Accidents and Near-Miss Incidents



Firefighter Fall from Moving Engine

July 07, 2005

SKU Engine 2664

CASKU002922

Northern Region

A Board of Review has not approved this Summary Report. It is intended as a safety and training tool, an aid to preventing future occurrences, and to inform interested parties. Because it is published on a short time frame, the information contained herein is subject to revision as further investigation is conducted and additional information is developed.

SUMMARY

On July 7, 2005 at 2134 hours two CDF engines responded to a reported vehicle accident from the Yreka FFS. While donning personal protective equipment in the rear seat of the second engine out, a firefighter's turnout coat caught the door latch of the rear passenger door during a left turn causing the firefighter to fall from the vehicle.

CONDITIONS

Weather was clear. Roadway was clear and dry.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

At approximately 2134 hours two CDF engines were dispatched to a traffic accident on Highway 3, five miles from the city of Yreka at Forest Mountain Summit. Engines 2680 (Model 9) and 2664 (Model 14) responded in that order from Yreka FFS. The response route took them out of the station, left onto Fairlane Road and left onto Moonlit Oaks Drive. Engine 2664 was traveling 10-15 mph into the turn from Fairlane Road onto Moonlit Oaks Drive when the operator heard the rear passenger door opening. The firefighter in the rear passenger side of the vehicle was putting on a turnout jacket and was not secured by a seat belt. As the engine entered the turn, the jacket hooked on the door handle opening the rear passenger door and the firefighter fell out into the intersection. The operator immediately braked and stopped the engine. The firefighter in the front seat was ordered to exit the engine and assess the status of the firefighter. The operator notified the ECC of the incident, requested an ambulance and went to evaluate the assessment of the firefighter.

The firefighter's chief complaint was pain in the area of the right elbow. All precautions were taken and the firefighter was transported to Fairchild Medical Center in Yreka.

INJURIES/DAMAGES

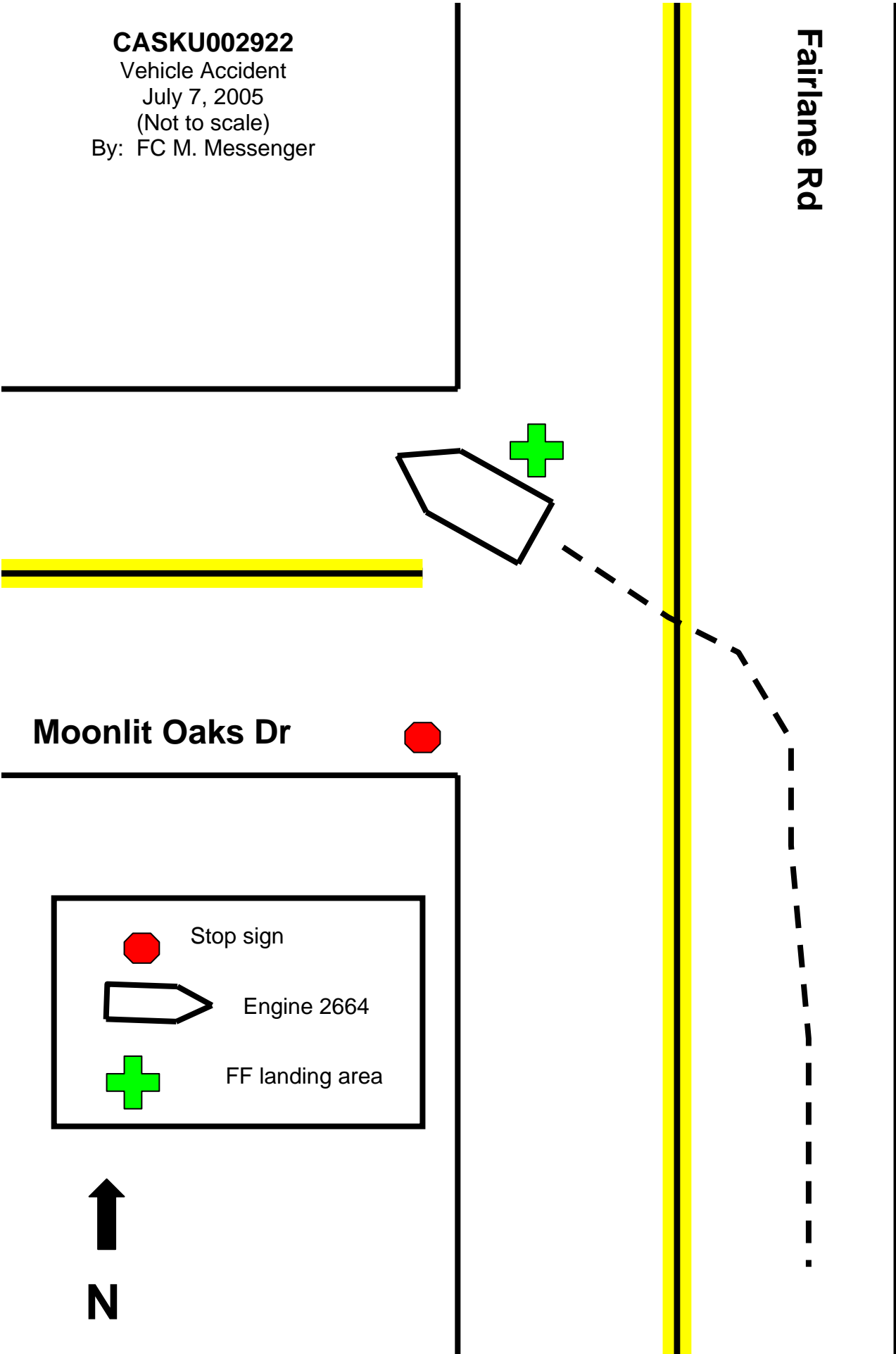
The firefighter suffered a minor abrasion to the right forearm. There was no damage to the Fire Engine.

SAFETY ISSUES FOR REVIEW




- Donning PPE prior to responding (Fire Protection Training Procedures Handbook Sections 4305.1, 4305.2 & 4305.3).
- Use of seat belts (Fire Protection Training Procedures Handbook Sections 4313.4 & Ca Vehicle Code Sections 27305 & 27315(d)(1))

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Vehicle Accident
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(Not to scale)
By: FC M. Messenger

Fairlane Rd



Moonlit Oaks Dr

	Stop sign
	Engine 2664
	FF landing area

