



Town of Canton

Fire and EMS Department



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Canton Firefighters & EMS Personnel Join New Hartford in Land & Water Rescue

Canton, CT April 8, 2005...9:00 p.m. About 15 members of Canton's Fire & EMS Department responded with Rescue 9, Engine 4, Engine 1, Ambulance-Car 10 and their Rescue boat-Marine 1 to a late night call for an SUV which reportedly hit a guard rail & tree before landing over 500 feet off road down an embankment off Rte 202.

While New Hartford Firefighters knocked down a fire in the vehicle, Canton's Incident Commander, Captain Mike Krudwig managed the scene using a two-part plan: stabilize the victim and contain any potential hazardous materials.

The vehicle's occupant was treated for multiple trauma at the scene by Canton's EMS personnel before being evacuated by Life Star helicopter to Hartford Hospital. His condition is currently unknown.

Canton's Firefighters repelled down the steep river bank to launch Marine I into the Neapaug Reservoir to set up a series of booms to contain what was estimated to be several gallons of liquid that leaked from the damaged vehicle.

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