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Press Release

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Classification:	Search and Rescue	Incident Date:	12-24-09
Author / Date / Time:	Jack Ewell / 12-24-09 / 9:30 AM	Incident Time:	3:00 AM

Incident Location:	Eaton Canyon, Angeles National Forest, CA
C/P Location:	

Victim(s):	Shannon Baxter, Male 40 Years Old	Suspect(s):	

Narrative:

Yesterday, a man visiting from Washington and his son, a Santa Clarita resident, went on a hike in Angeles National Forest. They were expected to return home at 6:00 PM. At approximately 3:00 AM, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department personnel were notified by David Baxter that his father was missing. His father was last seen having difficulty hiking uphill on the Cheney Trail, above Altadena in the Angeles National Forest. David left him to seek help.

Los Angeles Sheriff's Department Search and Rescue personnel from Montrose, Altadena, Special Enforcement Bureau/Emergency Services Detail and Aero Bureau responded to the area and searched for Mr. Baxter. At approximately 7:30 AM, the LASD Montrose Search and Rescue Team and LASD Air 7 located Mr. Baxter in a rugged area of Eaton Canyon. LASD Air Rescue 5 airlifted Mr. Baxter from the canyon and LASD paramedics treated him for a pre-existing respiratory problem and mild hyperthermia.

Mr. Baxter survived overnight temperatures in the 20s while huddling next to some logs and wearing a cotton work jacket and jeans.

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