

Three injured in early Wednesday crash

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CLEARLAKE OAKS – Three men are recovering after they were injured in a single-car collision on Wednesday morning.

California Highway Patrol Officer Adam Garcia reported that the crash took place at 7:37 a.m. Wednesday on Highway 20.

Andrew Colsen, 38, of Lakeport was driving a 1993 Jeep Wrangler eastbound on SR-20 west of Harvey Boulevard near Clearlake Oaks when the collision occurred, Garcia reported.

According to Garcia, Colsen continued traveling straight while in a right curve, which caused the Jeep to go off the north road edge and hit a tree.

Although Colsen was wearing his seatbelt, the shoulder harness was disconnected, causing him to strike the steering wheel with his chest, according to Garcia.

Colsen sustained major non-life threatening injuries, said Garcia, and was transported to Sutter Lakeside Hospital by Northshore Fire District rescue personnel.

Passengers Bruce Blair, 48, and Bill Galloway, 30, both of Nice, also sustained moderate to major injuries in this collision and were treated at Sutter Lakeside Hospital, Garcia reported.

Garcia said neither speed nor alcohol are believed to be a factor in the collision.

Officer Brendan Bach is investigating the incident, Garcia said.

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