

Clearlake Oaks man injured in Wednesday crash

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SPRING VALLEY – A Clearlake Oaks man sustained major injuries Wednesday when his car went off the road and struck a tree.

Jose Acevedo Rosas, 36, was injured in the crash, which took place at about 6 a.m., according to Officer Adam Garcia, spokesman for the California Highway Patrol's Clear Lake office.

Garcia said Rosas was driving his 1994 Ford Mustang southbound on New Long Valley Road in Spring Valley when he lost control of his vehicle because of the roadway's slick surface.

Rosas traveled across the opposite lane and went over the east shoulder, traveled down a steep, downgraded embankment and struck a tree, Garcia said. The impact crushed the car's hood, roof and windshield.

According to Garcia, Rosas lost consciousness and no one in the area witnessed the collision.

When Rosas regained consciousness – more than two hours later – Garcia said he was spotted climbing up the embankment near the road.

Garcia said Rosas sustained major injuries that were not life-threatening. Paramedics with Northshore Fire Protection District's Clearlake Oaks station transported Rosas to Redbud Community Hospital.

Officer Erich Paarsch is investigating the collision, which Garcia said is not believed to have had alcohol as a factor.

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