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Log Truck vs. SUV Motor Vehicle Collision Closes Hwy 101 East of Sequim

On Monday, August 07, 2023 at 11:17 am, Clallam County Fire District #3 was dispatched by PenCom Dispatch Center to 267467 Hwy 101, Gardiner, for a log truck vs. SUV motor vehicle collision.

Engine 37 arrived within 8 minutes to a 3-vehicle accident, with Hwy 101 completely blocked. The SUV had significant damage and had left the highway, landing in the wooded area to the north. The log truck was still positioned across the highway with numerous logs having spilled onto the roadway. A third vehicle, a passenger car, appears to have been sideswiped by falling logs during the initial collision, coming to rest further down the roadway.

The single occupant of the SUV, an 81-year-old female, was extricated by CCFD#3 firefighters and paramedics and flown to a Seattle area hospital by Life Flight. The extent of the injuries is unknown at this time. Life Flight landed on the closed highway, in front of the Discovery Bay RV park. No other involved parties reported any injuries.

Engine 37, Rescue 34, Engine 35, Aid 35, Medic 34, Olympic Ambulance, and Battalion Chief 304 responded to the scene. Washington State Patrol, Jefferson County Sheriff, and Washington State DOT also participated in securing the scene for emergency responders. The highway was opened back up although a delay will remain until traffic volumes return to normal.

Questions may be directed to Battalion Chief, Chris Turner at (360) 683-4242. Ext. 132.

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