

News Release

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Icy Conditions Blamed for Multiple Wrecks on I-5

An icy I-5 northbound kept fire crews busy responding to multiple traffic crashes between 179th Street and exit 11, Ridgefield. At 5:20 this morning (12/9), Fire District 6 firefighters responded to a four-door passenger car into the right shoulder guardrail just north of the 179th Street exit. Firefighters used extrication tools to cut the 78-year-old male driver from the vehicle. He was transported by an American Medical Response (AMR) ambulance to PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center with trauma injuries. At 6:30am, three vehicles spun out in the same area; two crashed into the median and a third struck the guardrail. No one was injured.

Clark County Fire & Rescue responded to additional ice related crashes in the same area.

Fire District 6 urges motorists to use extra caution on mornings with freezing temperatures and fog; drive slowly; leave extra time for your commute; and leave extra space between yourself and the vehicle ahead of you.

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