

Vehicle Rollover into Lake Coeur d'Alene

On Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 0800, the Coeur d'Alene Fire department, Engine 323, Ladder 341, EMS22, and Battalion Chief 3 responded to a 1-vehicle rollover into Lake Coeur d'Alene this morning. Crews arrived on scene to find an SUV on its wheels, partially submerged. The lone occupant of the car had been helped out through the passenger side window by first arriving police officers.

The terrain and slope created a low-angle rescue scenario and crews used ropes to lower a Stokes basket and personnel to the patient. The conscious, female patient was hauled up the slope, and subsequently transported to the hospital for evaluation.

It appears that a contributing factor to this accident was ice on the roadway. The Coeur d'Alene Fire Department wants to remind all drivers of black ice conditions that still exist in our area, especially around the lake. Drive Carefully.