

Snoqualmie Pass Fire & Rescue

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PRESS RELEASE

At approximately 3:00 PM on Wednesday, February 28, 2007, there was a multiple casualty motor vehicle accident involving approximately 25 passenger vehicles and 6 semi-trucks. The accident occurred Westbound I-90 at milepost 50, just West of Snoqualmie Pass, during a snowstorm with icy conditions. While the investigation is ongoing the initial reports are that there was a minor vehicle accident initially and when another motorist stopped to help it precipitated a chain reaction accident. Many of the vehicles were pinned between others causing significant damage. Fortunately, there were only 7 injured patients requiring transport to the hospital and all 7 patients were not seriously injured. However, removing the vehicles so that traffic can get through will be time consuming and difficult. Personnel from Snoqualmie Pass Fire & Rescue, Eastside Fire & Rescue, Bellevue Medic One, King County Sheriff's Office, Washington State Patrol, and the Washington State Department of Transportation responded to the incident. The accident is under investigation by the Washington State Patrol. Further information or questions can be directed to Fire Chief Matt Cowan.

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