

FIRE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASE

Incident Number: 85104
Information Contact: Douglas Miser, Battalion Chief
Incident Type: Plane Crash
Date/Time of Incident: 9/16/22 @ 16:50
Incident Location: Greenock Lane
Cause: Unknown
Injuries: (general) No Injuries
Number of Personnel: 16 Fire, Multiple Ventura Police, 1 Ambulance, 1 EMS Supervisor
Fire Equipment: 3 Medic Engines, 1 Truck Company, 3 Battalion Chiefs
Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire Department, Ventura County Fire Department, Ventura Police, Sheriff, Port District Harbor Patrol, American Medical Response, State Lifeguards, State Parks

Narrative: A 22' Cessna, model 172-four passenger plane carrying three souls on board departed out of Santa Paula Airport on Friday afternoon on a recreational flight. The pilot toured Carpinteria and was heading to Ojai. Approximately over the 33 freeway and Stanley Avenue, the plane suffered engine problems. The pilot radioed local air traffic control and was instructed to attempt to land at Oxnard Airport. The pilot brought the plane towards the coastline and maintained a heading downcoast. The plane gradually lost altitude and it was inevitable the plane was going to have to make an emergency landing. The pilot guided the plane near the waterline and landed approximately 100 yards upcoast of Marina Park on Pierpont beach. The plane eventually came to rest on top of the Greenock Jetty. All three occupants safely exited the plane uninjured.

Ventura Police, Ventura Fire, and State Parks arrived on scene and evaluated potential hazards and confirmed no injuries. There was a small fuel leak that was quickly contained. Ventura Police remained on scene coordinating salvage efforts and crowd control with the FAA and NTSB following up for investigation.

Due to HIPAA we are prevented from disclosing an individual's protected health information (PHI). We may not release information regarding patient's names, DOB, address, SS# or medical status.