

SARSAT Weekly Rescues Report for period 17 August to 30 August 2012.

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
Search and Rescue Satellite Aided Tracking System Rescues,
Two.

Incident 1:

Beacon ID: 2DCE6319D2FFBFF

On 25 August 2012 at 2146 UTC the COSPAS-SARSAT system detected a 406 MHz PLB at 46 19.7N, 115 16.1W, 200 NM north of Boise, ID. A woman was bucked off a mule in a remote area. She broke her hip and was unable to move. Someone in her party activated the PLB. The Air Force Rescue Coordination Center received the SARSAT alert, contacted the Butte County Sheriff's office and gave them the SARSAT location. Butte County dispatched a Lifeflight helicopter to the SARSAT location. The helicopter located the injured rider and transported her to St. Joseph's Hospital in Lewiston, ID.

1 SARSAT RESCUE

Incident 2:

Beacon ID: 2DCE5DED90FFBFF

On 27 August 2012 at 0857 UTC the COSPAS-SARSAT system detected a 406 MHz PLB at 68 03.4 N 151 43.7 W, 20 NM south of Anaktuvuk Pass, AK. A four wheel ATV got stuck in a river, and the rider activated the PLB. The Alaska Rescue Coordination Center received the SARSAT alert and passed the SARSAT coordinates to the North Slope Borough Search and Rescue (NSB). NSB responded with a ground team that located and rescued the rider. The rider was not injured.

1 SARSAT RESCUE

Total number of rescues for FY 12: 221

Total number of rescues for the calendar year 2012: 164

Significance: The SARSAT system protects life and property in support of the nation's commerce and transportation systems. (Steve Roark 301-817-3896)