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One dead and one in critical condition following crash at ORV park

Carbonado, Wash. – Early Tuesday morning, a man and young child were reported missing somewhere near the Evans Creek Off Road Vehicle Park, south of Carbonado, Wash. East Pierce Fire and Rescue crews were called to the scene to assist the Pierce County Sheriff's Department, Pierce County Search and Rescue and the United States Forest Service in locating the man and toddler. East Pierce crews responded with two ATVs to assist in the search. Two East Pierce medic units and an off-road vehicle were also dispatched.

Shortly before 9 a.m., the man and child were located approximately 100 yards from a pickup truck. According to officials, it appeared that the truck had rolled down a steep, narrow trail inside the ORV Park. Rescuers used ATV's to bring the pair to the medic units.

The man was declared dead at the scene. The toddler, in critical condition, was treated and transported to Wilkeson Elementary School, in Wilkeson, where the paramedics rendezvoused with a helicopter. The child was airlifted to Mary Bridge Children's Hospital.

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