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Two Hikers Rescued on Veterans Day

Santa Barbara- *Sunday, November 11, 2012-* A male and female in their early 20's were rescued after getting lost while hiking in the Tunnel Trail / Seven Falls area of Santa Barbara on Veterans Day. One of the hikers suffered an ankle injury, but both were ultimately brought to safety by rescue personnel just before 9pm.

Santa Barbara County Search and Rescue volunteers were called out just after 7pm to locate and rescue two Santa Barbara residents after 911 dispatchers received a call from the lost pair. While hiking back down the mountain from Cathedral Peak, the male and female hikers became lost and were unable to find the trail that runs along the ridge above Seven Falls. While attempting to navigate in the dark the female injured her ankle making it difficult to continue. Search and Rescue personnel along with members of the Santa Barbara County Fire Department caught up with the hikers at approximately 8:15pm just above the first pools of Seven Falls.

Both subjects were assisted down the trail and back to their vehicle located at the Tunnel Road trailhead. The injured hiker was evaluated and released by medical personnel.

Santa Barbara County Search and Rescue is an all-volunteer unit of the Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office. For more information about this incident or the team, contact The Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office at (805) 681-4100

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