

City of Yuma Fire Department

Press Release

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Subject: Vehicle in Canal YFD Rescue

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## Release: For Immediate Release

On 4/26/2025 at approximately 5:13 pm, the Yuma Fire Department was dispatched to a report of a vehicle accident in the 3100 block of S Araby Rd. Initial reports indicated that a pickup truck had crashed into a canal, and that one occupant was still inside. YFD deployed a technical rescue response, located the vehicle, and secured the scene. Securing the scene in technical rescues is critical, ensuring that anyone without proper personal flotation equipment remains clear of the water's edge. YFD technical rescue technicians entered the water and contacted the occupant. YFD rescuers successfully accessed the patient, placed a flotation device on him, and safely extricated him from the vehicle. The patient was placed on a rescue board, and YFD rescuers then removed him from the canal. The Patient was transported to a local hospital for further evaluation.

The investigation is being handled by the Yuma Police Department. ##END##

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