



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Plane Crash Volcan Mountain - UPDATE

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SYNOPSIS:

This morning, after a considerable effort by Cal Fire to make the area safe for access, deputies and volunteers from the Sheriff's Department Search and Rescue Team made their way down Volcan Mountain to the site of the plane crash from Thursday evening. Once there, they began a preliminary investigation of the crash. We have not yet been able to confirm whether or not the wreckage of this plane is the missing plane from Gillespie Field

During the survey of the site, we located the remains of three unidentified victims. We have prepared the victims to be moved from the mountain, but we cannot recover them without the assistance of air support because of the rugged terrain. Unfortunately, high winds prevented ASTREA from getting into the canyon this afternoon to lift the victims out.

In the upcoming days, all involved will continue to work diligently to identify the plane and recover the victims from Volcan Mountain.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Sheriff's Department non-emergency line at (858) 565-5200.

Call Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 with information and you will remain anonymous. You may be eligible for up to a \$1,000 reward for information leading to a felony arrest.