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Hiker airlifted from Hanakāpī'ai

HANAKĀPĪ'AI – Firefighters responded to a call of a male hiker in distress Thursday afternoon along the Hanakāpī'ai Trail.

Firefighters were notified of the incident around 2 p.m., when a 78-year-old male from California reportedly fell off the trail while hiking and injured his arm.

Responding Rescue 3 specialists aboard Air 1 arrived to the scene and located the man about 20 feet below the trail on a steep terrain.

Rescuers used a 150-foot short haul line to extricate the man from the high angle location and then airlifted him to a nearby landing zone at Kē'ē.

The man refused treatment at the scene, and used a private vehicle to seek further treatment for his injuries.

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