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Missoula rescue team, Two Bear Air pair for emergency training

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Hikers on Mount Sentinel were in for a surprise Thursday afternoon.

With a familiar low rumble, that whoop-whop-whop sound could be heard coming from the northwestern shoulder of the mountain, the rotor Quieting.

Rounding the corner, the helicopter hovered almost at eye level, settling in the air over the north face of Mount Sentinel as a firefighter pulled his compa-

The Missoula Fire Department rescue team conducted two exercises in Kalispell-based Two Bear Air, early in the afternoon.

The mock emergency scenario involved a firefighter and an injured man on the face of the mountain, to which a firefighter was lowered to about 10 other crew members waiting with the "backpacks." Tying the limp-limbed man, wearing a rock-climbing helmet, to his harness, the firefighter was hoisted up to the open door.

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The aircraft then slowly rotated and flew back the way it had come.

Flathead County Sheriff

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Grant Koford of Teralta prepares the ground for a grid of 60 honey-locust tree trunks in Missoula’s Fire Station Park on Thursday. The dirt between the trunks will provide a fire break for a Pacific-sunflower tree and support a concrete patio without compaction of the roots below.

Chuck Curry sat out the open door of "Two Bear’s" helicopter, parked at Missoula Fire Station 84, about an hour before the exercise. A University of Montana Grizzlies running back has resolved an arrest in Lake County from this summer, and asked a judge to dismiss a related case in Missoula.

Joseph Paul Counts, 23, was arrested July 15 and charged with a misdemeanor DUI after being pulled over on highway 53 south of St. Ignatius, according to his citation.

Counts was told that as part of a plea agreement, Counts pleaded guilty to an amended charge of careless driving. Encschbacher said Counts had been driving on the center line of the road, and after being stopped, was unable to how strength to collect a breath sample, so there was not enough evidence to show the influence of alcohol.

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or future users of the site, " said. But placer mining and loss by erosion can make it dangerous to work near the ag lands would be safe for recreational and construction purposes, but not for current or future harvests. The one who said, "We do not wish medical professionals, or engineers, or future users of the site, "said."

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