



PRESS RELEASE

Type and Description of Incident / Fire:

Animal Rescue: Horse stuck in mud.

Damage to Property:

N/A

Injuries to Fire and Non-Fire Personnel:

N/A

Additional Remarks:

The Derry Fire Communications Center received a call from a resident with a horse in distress. The caller indicated the horse was stuck in the mud. Engine 1 and Car 1 were dispatched to the scene. On arrival we found a resident caring for a horse lying on its side in about a foot of loose watery mud. The horse was clearly in distress and hypothermic. The owner reported it appears as though the horse had been down throughout the night and had churned the mud by kicking trying to get up. The engine company attempted to move the horse without success. Rescue 1 with a Lumber Trailer was requested the scene. Crews utilized sheets of plywood and a hose as a strap to move the horse to solid ground. Once on solid ground, crews were able to assist the resident in getting the horse up and into a stall, before the horse collapsed again. A crew stayed on scene and assisted with care at the direction of a veterinarian over the phone until the arrival of the veterinarian.

Note: Crews had three simultaneous emergency calls for service at the time of this incident.

Incident #	<u>2015-4536</u>	Time of Alarm	<u>0735</u>
Date of Incident:	<u>12/24/2015</u>	Time "Under Control"	<u>0900</u>
Incident Address:	<u>230 Hampstead Rd</u>	Recall of Alarm	<u>0921</u>

Fire Officer Submitting Release: **Battalion Chief Scott R. Haggart** Date: **12/24/15**

Signature of Fire Officer: _____

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