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Alaska Air National Guard Rescues Injured Hunter *Guardsmen assist when hunter overturns all terrain vehicle*

CAMP DENALI, Alaska—The Alaska Air National Guard’s 210th, 211th and 212th Rescue Squadrons came to the rescue of one man, as hunting season in Alaska is in full swing.

In response to a request for assistance by the Alaska State Troopers at 6:45 p.m. on Sept. 17, the 11th Rescue Coordination Center called upon the 210th, 211th and 212th Rescue Squadrons to rescue an injured hunter in the Donnelly Dome area.

According to Alaska State Trooper reports, the 61-year-old man, who was with a hunting party, flipped his four-wheeler and sustained neck and head injuries.

Shortly after receiving the request for assistance, the 210th Rescue Squadron launched an HH-60 Pave Hawk helicopter, and the 211th Rescue Squadron responded with an HC-130 Hercules both with pararescuemen from the 212th Rescue Squadron on board.

“The pararescuemen, with their medical training and state-of-the-art equipment, can handle a high degree of complex situations,” said Maj. Scot Milani, operations officer for the 11th Rescue Coordination Center. “In situations like this, you have to assume the worst, but they are capable of handling very critical injuries.”

Within hours, the injured man was located, rescued and promptly flown to an Anchorage-area hospital.

The 210th, 211th and 212th Rescue Squadrons were awarded one save for this mission.