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Subject : Water Rescue in Humboldt Bay, 1 Marina Way

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On Sunday November 26th 2023 @ 1400 hours Humboldt Bay Fire was dispatched to a Water Rescue in Humboldt Bay near the Wharfinger Building located at 1 Marina Way. Humboldt Bay Fire responded with 1 Chief Officer, 3 Engines and 1 Truck. While responding HBF units were advised a subject was reported in the waters of Humboldt Bay between the Wharfinger Building and Samoa. HBF requested the United States Coast Guard also respond to assist. HBF Truck 8181 arrived at the Wharfinger Building and confirmed a subject was in the water approximately 300 yards off shore drifting south in Humboldt Bay with the outgoing tide. The swimmer from Truck 8181 immediately deployed into the water with a rescue board towards the victim. Other HBF units staged at locations along Humboldt Bay south of the Wharfinger Building including the Schnieder Dock, Del Norte Pier and Bulk Fuel Plant. The swimmer from T8181 contacted the victim who was conscious, hypothermic and in distress. A second swimmer from HBF Engine 8115 deployed into the water from the Del Norte Pier and assisted the swimmer from Truck 8181 with bringing the victim back to shore. A USCG Boat arrived and the 2 HBF swimmers and the victim were assisted onto the USCG Boat and taken to the Eureka Public Marina. The victim was removed from the USCG Boat to the dock and treated by HBF Paramedics and City Ambulance. The victim was suffering from hypothermia and transported to St. Joseph Hospital by City Ambulance.

Humboldt Bay Fire would like to thank the United States Coast Guard, Eureka Police Department and City Ambulance for their assistance.