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## NEWS RELEASE

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## One vehicle accident sends driver to hospital by helicopter

**Lake in the Hills, IL** – On Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at approximately 11:04 a.m., members of the Lake in the Hills Police Department and the Algonquin-Lake in the Hills Fire Protection District were dispatched to the intersection of Randall Road and Algonquin Road in regards to a vehicle accident involving a semi-trailer.

The flat bed semi-tractor/trailer, a blue 2014 KW tractor, carrying a load of concrete slabs was driving southbound on Randall Road, approaching Algonquin Road. The driver stopped, causing the load on the back of the truck to shift forward, entering the cab of the tractor through the back window, pinning the driver inside the cab. The Algonquin-Lake in the Hills Fire Protection District extricated the male driver, who was the sole occupant of the vehicle, began life saving measures, and transferred him to the medical flight team that was standing by at the Lifestar helicopter. The medical flight team took over care of the driver and he was flown to the Advocate Condell Medical Center.

The Lake in the Hills Police Department issued a Nixle traffic advisory at approximately 11:40 a.m. notifying subscribers north and southbound Randall Road was closed from Algonquin Road to Commercial Drive until further notice due to a traffic accident and the roadway would be shut down for several hours. A second Nixle message was sent at approximately 1:10 p.m. updating subscribers Randall Road northbound at Algonquin Road was reopened however Randall Road would remain closed southbound from Polaris Drive to Algonquin Road until further notice, letting subscribers know the road closure would still be several hours long.

The Lake in the Hills Traffic Accident Investigation Unit responded out to the scene and assisted officers. The accident is currently under investigation by the Lake in the Hills Police Department. No citations have been issued at this time. This is an open investigation and no further information is available at this time.

The Lake in the Hills Police Department would like to thank; the Algonquin and Huntley Police Department for their assistance with traffic control, Whitey's Towing Service for their help in the extrication and rescue of the driver, the Illinois State Police Truck Enforcement Unit for their assistance on scene, LifeStar for assistance with prompt medical service, and the Algonquin-Lake in the Hills Fire Protection District for coordinating the medical assistance with Lifestar. #oneteam

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