



City of Visalia Fire Department

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Oak Tree Branch Falls on Communication Lines

At 3:15 pm on July 17, the Visalia Fire Department responded to a report of a large oak tree branch that had fallen and dislodged what was initially believed to be power lines, which fell onto Riggin Ave West of Demaree. Truck 55, Truck 51, and Battalion 58 responded to the incident until it was determined that no one was in need rescue or medical attention. The Visalia Police Department and bystanders were able to close Riggin Ave., preventing further damage and injuries. Additionally, the large section of a valley oak tree branch fell onto the fascia and siding of a detached garage located at 4147 W. Riggen.

The owner of the property was informed of the incident and AT&T was contacted concerning the downed communication lines. The City of Visalia Arborist responded to the scene to assess the need for debris removal and the need for additional pruning.

No injuries to fire department personnel were reported.

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