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Sheriff Brian Burnett reports that a climber was injured today while ascending the southwest face of Mount Stuart approximately 15 miles southwest of Leavenworth. Michael Getlin (34 yoa) of Lake Oswego, Oregon was injured when a loose rock fell on his foot, resulting in a severely fractured foot.

At approximately 08:40am, RIVERCOM dispatch center received a 911 call from Getlin's wife, she advised that they were attempting to climb Mount Stuart via the "Alpine Ridge Route" when a large rock came loose and landed on her husband's foot. She advised that his foot was severely fractured and he was unable to walk. Due to the severity of the injury and the location on the mountain a hoist capable helicopter was requested through Washington State Emergency Management.

A rescue helicopter from Naval Air Station Whidbey Island responded to the scene and at 11:52am the crew successfully hoisted both subjects off the mountain. The victim was transported to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

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