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Shark Bite at Lovers Point Beach

Pacific Grove, California:

On June 22, 2022, at approximately 10:35 am, officers responded to the report of a shark attack at Lovers Point Beach. Pacific Grove Police Officers, Monterey Fire Department, American Medical Response (AMR), and State Parks were quickly on scene. The adult male swimmer sustained significant injuries from the shark bite and was transported to Natividad Hospital by AMR.

The city will follow State Parks protocol, so the beach at Lovers Point and Sea Palm turnout has been closed and will remain closed until Saturday, June 25, 2022.

In an abundance of caution, the Monterey Fire Department, with the assistance of the Seaside Fire Department, deployed a drone to conduct an aerial search of the area for the shark. At the time of this release, there have been no additional sightings. The area will continue to be monitored during the closure.

We want to express our gratitude and appreciation to the Good Samaritans that took immediate action and personal risk to assist the swimmer. We thank our partners at the US Coast Guard and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. In addition, we thank our CERT team members who responded to help with the beach closures to keep the community safe.

We send our prayers and thoughts to the swimmer and their family.

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