Alberta climber injured after falling down a mountain

Calgary man expected to recover

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A 50-year-old Calgary climber is recovering in hospital after falling about 20 metres down a mountain and hitting a tree in southern Alberta on Saturday afternoon.



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RCMP say the man was coming down from Victoria Peak — located about 20 kilometres south of Pincher Creek, Alta. — when he fell while crossing a snow-filled area around 5:30 p.m. MT.

The man received serious but non-life-threatening injuries to his chest.

Fire and rescue crews were unable to reach him by foot. Due to the rugged terrain and high elevation, a public safety helicopter from Canmore, Alta., transported rescuers onto the mountain to help airlift the patient out.

The man is being treated in hospital for his injuries, but is expected to recover, according to RCMP.

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