



Media Alert

July 21, 2018

CA State Fair Monorail Temporarily Closed

At approximately 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, 2018, with no passengers on board, an electrical brush underneath the monorail track shorted out causing a small electrical fire. At the time of the incident the entire monorail system was in maintenance mode with no passengers on board. The monorail train was stopped between Exposition Buildings 1 and 2. The train itself did not catch fire, only the electrical brush assembly. No one was injured during or after the incident.

California State Fair safety personnel responded quickly and followed standard operating procedures. In an abundance of caution, safety ride inspector Barry Schaible determined the train will remain in its current location until the Fair closes tonight. The maintenance tug will then tow the train into the maintenance barn where there will be a complete inspection of the train.

The Sacramento Fire Department also responded as part of standard protocols. The Monorail will be closed for the remainder of the day.

The safety of our visitors remains our top priority. The California State Fair goes beyond mandated safety requirements and hires an independent ride inspection company for the entire run of the State Fair.

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