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Authorities Search For Train Wreck Victims

Authorities are searching near the railroad tracks where two Union Pacific freight trains collided in the Oklahoma Panhandle to see if several missing crew members might have escaped injury.

Union Pacific spokeswoman Raquel Espinoza said the trains crashed Sunday around 10:08 a.m. Sunday near Goodwell. She said a two-person crew was aboard each train, and officials can't account for two engineers and a conductor.

The other conductor appeared to be uninjured.

Oklahoma Highway Patrol trooper Betsy Randolph says law officers were walking along either side of the tracks to see if the missing crew members had jump from the trains.

Randolph says a blaze that erupted after the collision has been contained, but continues to burn.

She says a firefighter was transported to a hospital for treatment of a heat-related injury.

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