

Pilot taken to hospital after helicopter crashes into powerlines in south-east SA



Photo: The helicopter crashed near Naracoorte on Wednesday afternoon. (ABC News: Isadora Bogle)

A helicopter has crashed in South Australia's south-east this afternoon, SA Police has confirmed.

Key points:

- The pilot is taken to the Naracoorte Hospital following the crash
- Police say the helicopter came into contact with powerlines
- It follows a car crash that claimed two lives in the region yesterday

The helicopter came into contact with powerlines during the crash, which happened about 2:30pm.

Emergency services responded to the incident and SA Police said the pilot was taken to Naracoorte Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The Country Fire Service also travelled to the scene at West Road near Bool Lagoon, outside of Naracoorte.

The Australian Transport Safety Bureau said the incident involved a Robinson R-44, a four-seat light helicopter commonly used in regional Australia.

Limestone Coast Police Superintendent Phil Hoff said he understood the helicopter was involved in the spraying of vegetation around Bool Lagoon at the time.

"It appears to have come into contact with powerlines, brought some powerlines down, crashed into the ground," he said.

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