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Search and Rescue for Missing Woman

The Snowy Hydro SouthCare helicopter is headed to the Naas Valley, just south of Tharwa to participate in search and rescue efforts for a woman that has been overdue and is missing. The woman's car has been located in the area though she has been reportedly overdue for the past 26 hours.

This mission is the first to use Snowy Hydro SouthCare's thermal imaging camera, also known as FLIR. The FLIR device fits to the bottom of the helicopter and helps locate missing people by sensing their body heat. This piece of equipment is a recent addition to the Snowy Hydro SouthCare Rescue Helicopter, the only rescue aircraft in the region to be fitted with FLIR.

This search and rescue mission is Snowy Hydro SouthCare's 3,192 mission.

Snowy Hydro SouthCare Helicopter Service was established in 1998 as the primary provider of aero-medical and rescue helicopter services in the Australian Capital Territory and southeastern New South Wales. Call (02) 6207 8375 or visit www.snowyhydrosouthcare.com.au for more information.

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