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010. Six Flags Magic Mountain, California, Ninja roller coaster train derailment

A roller coaster train on the Ninja roller coaster at Six Flags Magic Mountain in California, US, was derailed following a tree branch falling onto the track. According to reports, the front part of the train detached from the track and was left dangling about 20ft in the air, pointing down to the ground. All 22 passengers were subsequently safely evacuated from the ride.

The incident highlights the need for vigilance and careful scrutiny of all areas directly adjacent to rides and the potential for anything to fall onto a track. This also applies to anything close by that could potentially strike a rider during the course of a ride, be it a tree branch or other obstacle.

The following link provides a local report on the incident:

<http://edition.cnn.com/2014/07/07/us/california-six-flags-roller-coaster-accident/>