Boat sinks in Keowee collision

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SENECA — Two boats collided Wednesday night on Lake Keowee, sinking one, but the other returned to shore with all passengers from both boats aboard.

Three passengers were treated for minor injuries by EMS, according to Oconee County Fire Chief Charlie King. He said all passengers had been accounted for, but he was not sure how many people were on the two boats.

King said the collision was reported at 9:09 p.m. in a cove near Sugar Valley Road off S.C. Highway 130 near Seneca. He said he did not know the cause of the accident.

King said the investigation has been turned over to the S.C. Department of Natural Resources. DNR spokeswoman Lt. Amy Staton said shortly before 10 p.m. Wednesday investigators were arriving on the scene and did not yet have information on the collision.