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Man hurt in apparent hatchet attack at Oakland homeless camp; 1 arrested



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OAKLAND — An apparent hatchet attack Friday night at an East Oakland homeless encampment left one occupant with facial injuries and another arrested after a standoff with police, authorities said Saturday.

Police said the victim was a 53-year-old man and the suspect a 51-year-old man. Their names were not released, but police said they knew each other.

The violent confrontation happened at 9:26 p.m. Friday at the homeless encampment in the 2500 block of Embarcadero near the Oakland Estuary.

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Authorities said the men got into a dispute inside a structure at the camp, possibly over a bicycle, that moved onto the street where the victim was struck in the face by what police believe was a hatchet.

The injured man was found bleeding and semi-conscious by responding officers; he was taken to a hospital for treatment of injuries considered non-life threatening.

The suspect went back inside his tent, where he refused to surrender until about 1:30 a.m. Saturday, authorities said.

After being evaluated at a hospital, he was arrested on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon, authorities said.

The weapon was not recovered.

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