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Approximately, at 1:50 PM on January 11, 2018, while supervising the building of a fence at residence #2, I was watching the helicopter and the work been performed at the (Electric) pole. I saw that the helicopter lowers the 3 side hook (red on video) to pick up the ladder, the helicopter is descending , before picking up the ladder the lineman releases the (personal security) harness from the arm of the pole and hooks it to the ladder. After that, the helicopter picks the ladder with the hook and tries to raise it. As soon as the helicopter starts raising the ladder, the lineman starts to say no turning his head side to side, I thought the pilot understood the signal and started to descend but the ladder became rested at the edge of the arm pole (not hook). At that moment, while the helicopter keep their descent, the 3 side hook release the ladder and the ladder fall from the pole with the lineman falling on his back first to the ground follow by all his equipment on top of him. At that moment I went down to the accident side. We proceeded to remove the ladder from the top of his body by removing the security harness and putting the ladder to the side without moving the employee.