Man Gets Stranded in Hawaiian Snowstorm



Hawaii. What's the first thing you think of? Sunny weather ,beautiful beaches, surfing, swimming, flowered shirts, volcanoes? How about snow storms? That probably didn't cross your mind right?

Alex Sverdlov, spent two days trapped in a snowstorm in Hawaii. He is a 36-year-old college professor. He was taking an 18-mile (29km) hike on Mauna Loa, a volcano on Hawaii island.

Alex began his trek up the 13,677-foot (4,150 meters) mountain on a Sunday. That's a long difficult hike! When Alex was almost at the peak, he took off his backpack and left it on the trail. He left it behind because he wanted to save his energy for the last two miles (3,2 km).

He reached the top and it was amazing. On his way back down, it began snowing.

"It went from barely drizzling snow to maybe two feet of snow within an hour," Alex said.

Because of all the snow, Alex couldn't find his backpack. He had a cell phone, but there was no reception. He had to sleep in the snow with only the clothes on his back and a frozen water bottle.

Alex was found by a helicopter pilot two days later. He is lucky to be alive!

Have you ever been in a dangerous situation?