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A Man from Zillah in Jail After Vehicle Pursuit

Wapato – On December 4, 2018, at 06:30 am, Yakima County Sheriff's Office deputies were involved in a vehicle pursuit after attempting to arrest the man on a felony DOC warrant.

The deputy observed a vehicle parked in a high crime area on Thorp Rd. He contacted the suspect and recognized the man from previous contacts. The deputy informed the man of the existence of a warrant and told him to exit the vehicle. The suspect pushed the female driver out of the vehicle and drove off in the vehicle.

The deputy pursued the vehicle onto Interstate 82 and continued westbound towards the lower valley. The speed of the suspect's vehicle was approximately 100 MPH. The pursuit continued into the City of Wapato as slower speeds then northbound onto Hwy 97. The suspect vehicle lost control on a curve in the roadway and crashed into a road sign on Parker Bridge Rd. The suspect ran from the vehicle and the deputy. The deputy pursued the suspect on foot and apprehended the suspect after the man ran into a barbed wire fence.

The 22-year-old male driver from Zillah was arrested and booked into the Yakima County Jail on charges of Attempting to Elude a Pursuing Police Vehicle, Hit & Run Unattended, Resisting Arrest, Obstructing, and the felony DOC Warrant. Our office is also investigating a possible DUI related to opioid drug use.

Our office would like to thank the Wapato Police Department and the Washington State Patrol for their assistance.