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Pedestrian airlifted following collision

Poulsbo, Wash. -- Kitsap County Sheriff's traffic deputies have initiated an investigation into an early-morning collision in which a woman was airlifted to Seattle's major trauma center with serious injuries.

Location: 16900 block of Clear Creek Road NW, Poulsbo (south of NW Beth Lane).

Time & date: Approximately 3:14 a.m., Sunday, 04/26/2009.

Involved:

(a) **Pedestrian:** Female, age 19, East Bremerton resident. The woman was treated on-scene then transported initially to Harrison Medical Center, Silverdale. She was subsequently airlifted to Harborview Medical Center, Seattle.

(b) **Vehicle:** 1995 Mitsubishi Montero SUV.

Driver: Male, age 19, also from East Bremerton.

Passengers: Four other passengers riding in the SUV.

No injuries were reported to any of the occupants in the vehicle.

Responding agencies:

Law enforcement: Patrol deputies and traffic investigators of the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office.

Fire: Engine and medic units from Poulsbo Fire Department.

Synopsis:

Preliminary reports indicate that the Mitsubishi SUV struck the pedestrian while she was crossing Clear Creek Road from the east shoulder to the west shoulder.

The Mitsubishi was traveling southbound on Clear Creek Road. In the vicinity of NW Beth Lane the driver observed the woman crossing the roadway. The driver braked hard, but was unable to stop the SUV before striking her in the southbound lane of travel.

There was no evidence that the driver of the Mitsubishi SUV had consumed alcoholic intoxicants or was under the influence of narcotics. Excessive vehicle speed was not a factor in the cause of the collision.

Traffic investigators believe that the female pedestrian had just left a party at a residence on NW Beth Lane.

The investigation continues.

Anyone who may have witnessed this collision, or who may have information related to the collision, are asked to contact Deputy Andy Aman, sheriff's office traffic investigator, at (360) 337-4634.

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