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INFORMATION RELEASE

Subject: Motor Vehicle Crash

Date: 07/14/2010

From: Officer Shawn Phelps

Case or Incident: 100714-010

Summary:

On 07/14/2010, at about 12:40 pm, the Juneau Police Department received several reports of a collision involving a van and a motorcycle on Glacier Highway near DeHart's. Callers said the operator of the motorcycle appeared injured. Capital City Fire and Rescue responded along with officers.

It was determined the two vehicles involved, a white 2004 Chevrolet van, and a 1996 Kawasaki motorcycle, were travelling in opposite directions. The 2004 Chevrolet van was travelling outbound on Glacier Highway. The van started a left turn onto the Auke Bay harbor parking lot access, when the driver pulled in front of the 1996 Kawasaki, who was travelling inbound on Glacier Highway. The motorcycle struck the van on the passenger-side front corner of the vehicle, causing about \$4000 damage to the van and totaling the motorcycle.

The driver of the motorcycle, a 34-year-old male Juneau resident, sustained extensive injuries and was transported to the Bartlett Regional Hospital Emergency Room for treatment. The motorcyclist's use of a helmet likely saved his life.

The driver of the van was uninjured. Citations to the operator of the van will be pending completion of the investigation.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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