

NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 16, 2019

Mckenzie County Sheriff Deputy Injury Crash in Pursuit

What: Injury

Where: Highway 1806 MM 295(15 miles north of Watford City)

When: 11/15/19 at 11:27 P.M.

Road Conditions: Good

Weather Conditions: Clear

Crash Involvement: Deer

Type of Crash: Car-Deer Crash

Agencies Involved: Mckenzie County Sheriff Department, Highway Patrol

Vehicle No. 1: 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe

Driver No. 1: Robert Shipp, 31-year-old male from Watford City, Minor Injury

Restraints: seatbelt in use and airbag deployed

Charges: none

NARRATIVE: Mckenzie County Sheriff Deputy Robert Shipp was in pursuit of a vehicle at a high rate of speed northbound on Highway 1806. Shipp was attempting to stop the driver Tyler Defoe and passenger Candice Clark who had an outstanding warrant. Three Affiliated Tribes officers were pursuing Defoe and Clark earlier in the day but lost the vehicle. While Shipp was in pursuit, a deer ran out in front of his squad car. Shipp struck the deer with the front center of his vehicle at a high rate of speed. Airbags deployed and Shipp sustained minor injuries. Vehicle was towed from the scene. Pursuit was terminated and suspects are still at large. Suspects were driving a white Chevrolet Camaro.



North Dakota Highway Patrol and Mckenzie County Sheriff Department ask the public to contact local authorities if they have any information on Candice Clark or Tyler Defoe whereabouts.

WANTED

TYLER GERALD DEFOE



CANDICE NICHOLE CLARK



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