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NEWS RELEASE

August 3, 2015

VPD Report Number: 15-10794

Date/Time Occurred: 8/2/2015, 1525 hrs

Type of Incident: Rescue of Suicidal Subject

Location: Burke / Mineral King

Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect:

Age:

Arrested:

1. N/A

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Details: On August 2, 2015, at approximately 1525 hrs, dispatchers received a call from a concerned citizen regarding an adult woman who was hanging over the rail on the bridge at Burke and Mineral King, over highway 198. Another caller had advised the woman was staring down at the freeway. Officers responded to check on the female's welfare, and upon arrival, the officers noted she was outside the protective guard rail, had a closed knife in one hand, and was hanging onto a street sign. The officers attempted to begin a dialogue with the woman, which was unsuccessful. The officers developed a plan, and acting quickly, were able to pull the woman to safety. She was taken to an area hospital for a mental health evaluation. There were no injuries as a result of this incident.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol

Supervisor: Sgt. J. Pree

