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PRESS RELEASE

Releasing Officer: **Sergeant Charles Gilchrist**
Report Number: **FA0900550**
Date / Time Incident: **05/10/09 2358 hours**
Location of Incident: **SR1 Near the Virgin Creek Parking Area**
Crime or Incident: **Traffic Collision with Serious Injuries**

CIRCUMSTANCES:

On May 10, 2009 at approximately 2358 hours, the Fort Bragg Police Department received a report of a rollover traffic collision on N. Main Street near the Virgin Creek parking area. Officers responded to the scene and located a pickup truck that had rolled over and came to rest in the southbound lane. The driver of the vehicle (identified as John Bodal) was ejected from the vehicle during the collision. Bodal was located pinned under the bed of the truck. Bodal received serious injuries during the collision.

Fort Bragg Fire Personnel and an ambulance team from the Mendocino Coast District Hospital responded to the scene. The Fire Personnel worked feverishly to extricate Bodal from under the vehicle. Ambulance and Fire personnel tended to Bodal's injuries during the extrication. Bodal was extracted from the vehicle and transported to the Mendocino Coast District Hospital Emergency Room for treatment of his injuries. The collision is still under investigation.

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