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For Immediate Release

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On July 29, 2015 Sheriff Brian Burnett reports the arrest of Justin Dyal, a 22 year old Wenatchee resident, following a vehicle pursuit that started in the City of Wenatchee.

At 10:00 this morning Wenatchee Police Officers responded to Cashmere Valley Bank for a reported forgery in progress. A female at the location was attempting to cash a stolen check. When Officer's arrived they observed a white Dodge truck that was abnormally parked in the parking lot. The Officer checked the vehicle's registration and learned it was a stolen vehicle from Douglas County. The vehicle, a full sized Dodge truck, drove out of the parking lot leaving the female inside the bank. The Wenatchee Officer followed the truck out of the bank parking lot and a vehicle pursuit began a short time later. The truck led pursuing police vehicles southbound on Western Avenue onto #2 Canyon and continued up the dirt / primitive road. Because of the poor road condition the pursuing police vehicle's, all of which were cars, discontinued the pursuit. Multiple Chelan County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the area with their 4-wheel drive vehicles and began looking for the stolen Dodge truck. The truck was located unoccupied near a dead-end Forest Service road, but a motorcycle that had been in the rear of the truck was gone. Deputies followed the tire tracks of the motorcycle and learned a general direction of the fleeing motorcycle. Other Deputy's positioned themselves up both Halverson Canyon and the Beehive drainage area off of Mission Creek Road. Because of the rugged terrain and multiple roads / trails Chelan County launched its helicopter to assist in the search. Around 12:00 a Deputy positioned on Halverson Canyon observed a motorcycle traveling down the dirt road near the top of the ridge. The rider turned the motorcycle off and remained near a cluster of trees. The helicopter was called into the area to provide aerial surveillance of the suspect. The helicopter coordinated efforts with the ground Deputies and were able to successfully apprehend the suspect.

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They identified the suspect as Justin Dyal. Chelan County Sheriff's Office is working with Wenatchee Police Department on numerous crimes committed by Dyal to include the vehicle pursuit, possession of stolen property, fraud/forgery, and other charges.

The stolen Dodge truck was returned to the registered owner.

For information on continued investigation or criminal charges, please contact Wenatchee Police Detective Sergeant Jim West at 888-4251.

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