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Sheriff Burnett reports that at approximately 6:30 AM on Saturday, October 22nd, a Leavenworth residence was outside of her home in the 300 block of Commercial Street walking her dog when a bear attacked her. The female reported the bear attacked her from behind. The female fought back and punched the bear several times during the 10 to 15 second attack. The female received significant injuries and has received medical treatment.

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife responded to the scene. A public alert was sent out to local media and information was posted to the Chelan County Sheriff's Office social media asking all residence and visitors to avoid the area until further notice. Working with the City of Leavenworth, the Enchantment Park area was closed. As a precautionary measure, the City of Leavenworth continued to keep the Enchanted Park area closed until Sunday, October 23rd.

Officers with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife brought in two tracking dogs in an attempt to locate the bear that was responsible for the attack.

All further media requests should be directed to Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

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