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Arrest made after extensive pursuit

Adams County, Colo. (February 19, 2021):

The Adams County Sheriff's Office report the arrest of a Boulder man subsequent to an extensive pursuit.

On February 17th, 2021 at approximately 1:51 p.m., deputies observed a suspicious vehicle parked in the parking lot of the Valli-Hi Motel at 7320 Pecos Street. A records check of the vehicle revealed that the vehicle and the displayed license plate were reported as stolen. Deputies positioned their vehicles behind the suspect vehicle to block the vehicle from escape. Upon contact, the suspect accelerated and backed into and struck the police vehicles multiple times. The suspect continued to ram police vehicles, but deputies were able to successfully deploy "stop sticks" as the suspect vehicle sped out of the parking lot and struck another police vehicle.

Deputies pursued the suspect onto Pecos Street and then eastbound on Highway 36. The suspect continued east on I-270 at a high rate of speed, struck another vehicle and crashed on the shoulder. The suspect exited the vehicle and fled on foot while attempting to engage pursuing deputies with a hunting knife he was carrying in a sheath. Deputies wrestled the knife from the suspect, and he was subsequently subdued. The suspect was arrested and taken to an area hospital for treatment where he continued to fight with medical personnel and bit another deputy causing injury to the deputies' hand. A search of the suspect and the vehicle revealed: cocaine, MDMA (Ecstasy), morphine and oxycodone.

The defendant was subsequently charged with the following:

ROGER BRIAN SULLIVAN, 50, of Boulder

- Assault 2nd degree on a Peace Officer, class 3 felony
- Vehicular Eluding Bodily Injury to Another, class 4 felony
- Aggravated Motor Vehicle Theft Causing Injury to Another, class 5 felony
- Criminal Possession of a Controlled Substance (intent to distribute), level 2 drug felony
- Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance, level 4 drug felony

- Resisting Arrest
- Driving Under Restraint
- Multiple traffic offenses

The defendant is held in the Adams County Detention Facility pending further court proceedings.

The Adams County Sheriff's Office or North Metro Drug Task Force has determined that there is probable cause to make an arrest. The defendant(s) are presumed innocent until convicted in court. The 17th Judicial District (District Attorney) may decline to prosecute or refuse to file charges in this proceeding. Consequently, charges are often reduced, dropped or dismissed.

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