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Incident: 2 Serious Motor Vehicle Incidents

Abbotsford - December 31, 2009.

The Abbotsford Police Department attended two serious motor vehicle incidents in a 9 hour period between 10:15 pm last night and 7:15 am this morning.

Last night, a Mazda Protégé, driven by a 27 year old Abbotsford woman, left the roadway on Ross Road (south of Fraser Highway) and rolled into a water filled ditch. Abbotsford Police Patrol Division officers attended the scene and provided assistance to the driver as water filled the cabin of the vehicle. These officers ultimately held the driver's head above the waterline as Abbotsford Fire Rescue Service members extricated her from the vehicle. The driver suffered leg and hip fractures and injury to her chest and back. The work of these first responders likely saved her life.

This morning, a Ford pickup left the roadway on Downes Road and also crashed into a ditch. Unfortunately the male driver did not survive. The Abbotsford Police Department Patrol Division and Collision Reconstructionists are still on scene conducting the investigation.

Drivers are advised to use caution as some roads in Abbotsford are slippery, snow or ice covered and present winter driving conditions.

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