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APD NEWS RELEASE:

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Incident: APD Officer involved in Collision

Abbotsford – May 21, 2012.

Yesterday afternoon at 2:18 pm the Abbotsford Police Department received a call about a single vehicle off-road collision at Sumas Way and Highway #11. The driver of a Toyota 4Runner was apparently trapped in that upside down SUV. That collision was broadcast via the APD radio system at 2:20 pm and several APD patrol units responded.

A marked Abbotsford Police Ford Crown Victoria, driven by a 2.5 year member of the department, headed toward the collision southbound on Riverside Street with emergency equipment activated. The police vehicle approached a red light at Riverside Street and Harris Road, was unable to come to a complete stop and continued into the intersection. An Audi A6, driven by a 28 year old woman from Mission, was travelling westbound on Harris Road with the green light in that same intersection. The Audi collided with the rear driver's side of the police vehicle. Both the driver and her 17 year old female passenger did not appear injured but were examined as a precaution. Of particular concern was the fact that the 28 year old woman was 8 months pregnant. The police officer was not injured. At 2:22 pm the Abbotsford Police Department Communications Centre dispatched BC Ambulance to this incident.

This collision is being actively investigated by the Abbotsford Police Department. Several witnesses were on scene and provided statements to police. However, we would like to appeal to any witnesses who have not yet come forward to contact the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225.

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