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Incident: APD Arrest Robbery Suspect Outside of Bank

Abbotsford - February 13, 2014

On Wednesday, February 12 at 7:50 am the Abbotsford Police Department was called to a report of a robbery at a bank in the 2200 block of Whatcom Road. Staff reported that a suspect had smashed out a glass window to gain access to the un-open bank and had made demands for cash from the employees.

Abbotsford Police Emergency Response Team members, in an unmarked vehicle, happened to be in the same complex, a few hundred feet away when the call came in. Numerous Abbotsford Police Patrol Division, Bike Squad and ERT officers descended on the area. Two officers observed a man walking away from the bank. They stopped and arrested the man without incident. A subsequent search of the man's backpack located a loaded handgun and a semi-automatic rifle.

Jesse Damond MORTON, a 37 year old man from Vancouver, has been charged with Attempt Robbery, Break and Enter, Uttering Threats, Carrying a Concealed Weapon, Use of a Firearm in the Commission of an Offence, Possession of a Weapon Dangerous to Public Peace and Possession of a Prohibited Weapon.

The Major Crime Unit of the Abbotsford Police Department is continuing the investigation. Anyone with information about this incident should contact the APD at 604-859-5225, text us at 222973 (abbypd), or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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