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News Release

Driver Arrested After Collision that Disrupted Power to Goleta Neighborhood

Goleta – Just before 11:30pm on Wednesday, December 5, 2018, Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Deputies from the Goleta Valley Patrol Bureau, Santa Barbara County Fire personnel, and AMR medics responded to the 7600 block of Calle Real after several residents reported hearing a traffic collision. When deputies arrived, they found a Dodge Challenger had collided with a utility pole and a large metal utility box, coming to rest partially upright against a retaining wall near the intersection of Calle Real and Hempstead Ave. Deputies contacted the driver of the vehicle, 31-year-old Erik Andersson of Goleta, who suffered minor injuries in the collision. Andersson was ultimately arrested and booked into the Santa Barbara County Jail on suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol.

The collision destroyed the metal utility box, resulting in disruption of power and communication services to nearby residences. Work crews from Southern California Edison and Cox Communications responded to the scene to repair the damaged utility pole and restore services that evening.

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