



PRESS RELEASE

Case #14-510747

Deputies Respond to a Fatal Motorcycle Crash

July 12, 2014 - Washington County Deputies responded to a crash involving a motorcycle and a SUV. The driver of the motorcycle was fatally injured as a result of the crash.



At 6:51 p.m. Deputies responded to an injury crash at SW 185th and SW Farmington Road in the community of Aloha. Upon arrival deputies learn that a motorcycle ridden by 26-year-old Andrew Barnes of Bethany was riding north on SW 185th. After crossing SW Farmington Road, he crashed into a 2008 Toyota Highlander driven by 36-year-old Heather Williams of Portland.



The initial investigation revealed that Ms. Williams pulled out of a parking lot onto SW 185th and into the path of Mr. Barnes. Deputies also learned Mr. Barnes was wearing novelty helmet, which does not meet minimum DOT safety requirements and is a violation of Oregon law.

According to the Center for Disease Control, "Helmets are estimated to prevent 37 percent of crash deaths among motorcycle riders."

The investigation is ongoing and no citations have been issued.