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## North Kitsap fatality collision

**Kingston, Wash.** -- A 20 year-old man, a passenger in a privately owned car, was declared deceased at the scene of single vehicle collision in the Eglon area of North Kitsap, northwest of Kingston, early this morning.

Kitsap County Sheriff's deputies, along with engine and medic units from North Kitsap Fire & Rescue, responded to the 33300 block of Eglon Road NE just after 2:00 a.m.

The driver, a 19 year-old man, was transferred to Harborview Medical Center, Seattle, by an Airlift Northwest helicopter, from a landing zone on an athletic field at David Wolfe Elementary School, Kingston. His injuries are not considered life threatening.

The vehicle, a 1993 Acura Integra three-door, was totaled.

Both the driver and deceased passenger are on active duty in the U. S. Navy, assigned to the aircraft carrier USS John C. Stennis (CVN 74), Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Bremerton.

Although the investigation into the collision is in its early stages, a preliminary analysis indicates that the Acura was traveling southbound on Eglon Road. The driver failed to negotiate a sharp left turn. The car left the roadway onto the shoulder of the road and struck a utility pole on the passenger side of the vehicle, shearing the pole off at the base. The Acura then continued southbound until it collided head-on with two large maple trees, stopping its forward momentum.

Both occupants of the vehicle were wearing seatbelts. Traffic investigators believe that excessive vehicle speed, coupled with the ingestion of alcoholic intoxicants, were primary contributing causes of the crash.

The investigation continues. Persons who may have witnessed the collision, or who may have information about the crash, are asked to contact Deputy Mike Shannon, sheriff's traffic unit, at (360) 337-4634.

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