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### **SINGLE VEHICLE ACCIDENT CLOSES SECTION OF PITCHKETTLE ROAD**

SUFFOLK, VA (October 11, 2019) Suffolk Police and Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded to the scene of a single vehicle accident this afternoon, Friday, October 11, 2019.

Emergency Communications received the call at 1:06 p.m. advising of the accident involving a passenger vehicle in the 700 block of Pitchkettle Road. Upon preliminary investigation it was determined that the vehicle left the roadway and struck a power pole. The adult male driver, the only occupant, received emergency medical assessment and treatment and was initially ground transported to Sentara Obici Hospital and then airlifted by Nightingale to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital for treatment of serious injuries.

Public Works crews are on scene and crews from Dominion Power are also responding in order to replace the damaged power pole. This section of the roadway is anticipated to remain closed for several hours for the replacement of the power pole. Detour signage is being placed at Pitchkettle Road and Route 58 as well as Pitchkettle Road and West Constance Road.

The investigation into the cause of the accident remains ongoing at this time.

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