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SINGLE VEHICLE ACCIDENT CLOSED ROADWAY THIS MORNING

SUFFOLK, VA (July 24, 2015) Suffolk Police and Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel responded earlier this morning to the scene of a single vehicle accident in the 9900 block of Gates Road in rural Suffolk near the Southampton County line.

Emergency Communications received the call at 9:09 a.m. advising of the accident involving a passenger vehicle. Upon preliminary investigation it was found that the driver lost control of the vehicle and left the roadway striking a tree.

Suffolk Fire & Rescue and EMS crews provided emergency medical assessment at the scene and the adult female driver and an adult male in the rear seat required extrication. The female was airlifted by Life Evac to Sentara Norfolk General with non-life threatening injuries, and the male was airlifted by Nightingale to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital with non-life threatening injuries. Another female passenger was ground transported to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital, also with non-life threatening injuries. A fourth male passenger refused medical treatment.

The Carrsville Volunteer Fire Department provided assistance with a medic unit and the landing zone for the helicopters. The Franklin Fire Department also assisted with a medic unit.

A portion of S. Quay Road as well as the 9900 block of Gates Road remained closed until approximately 10:45 a.m.

The driver, Delia Joyce, of Franklin, was issued a summons for Reckless Driving – Failure to Maintain Proper Control.

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