

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **DOG RESCUED FOLLOWING SINGLE VEHICLE ACCIDENT ROUTE 58**

SUFFOLK, Virginia (June 20, 2015) Suffolk Police and Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel responded earlier this morning to a single vehicle accident that occurred at Eastbound Portsmouth Boulevard/Route 58 between the weigh scales and the Chesapeake city line.

Emergency Communications received the call at 7:17 a.m. advising of the accident involving a Chevrolet Suburban. Upon preliminary investigation it was found that the vehicle ran off the road to the left striking the guardrail and came to rest in the left westbound lane.

The driver's 3-legged dog "Sparky" panicked after the accident and ran from the vehicle, and he refused medical treatment until his dog could be located. Emergency personnel were able to safely locate the dog about ½ mile west of the accident scene and he was reunited with his owner. The driver sustained non-life threatening injuries and was treated at the scene by Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel.

The left westbound lane was closed while the wrecker removed the vehicle from the roadway. All lanes reopened at 8:43 a.m.

The cause of the accident is under investigation.

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